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In January, we had another wonderful Leadership event. Over 350 of you came down to hear a star studded series of speakers including Nitin Nohria, Rahul Bajaj, R Mukundan, Gaurav Swarup, Ashish Dhawan, Ravi Venkatesan, Neera Nundy, Suneeta Reddy, Nandita Das and Anupam Kher. The sessions were followed by a slick set of presentations on HBS, which also marked the start of the Capital Campaign. Once again we all had the opportunity to meet the strong network of Alumni in India and renew ties with the school. We hope to see all of you at the next Gala in January 2016!



I will be stepping down after 2 years as President. With the help of the Board and all of you, we have taken the Alumni Association to the next level. We have 267 members, held 25 events, and reinstated the Annual Gala that attracts Alumni from all over India and from the region. It has been a great experience serving as President and I wish the best to Ganesh Natarajan as he takes over.

Adil Zainulbhai
President



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Dear fellow alumni and members of the HBS Club of India,

It is a privilege for me to be taking over as President of the HBS Club of India from April 2015. Stepping into the large footsteps of Adil Zainulbhai is a daunting task, but when the Board requested me to take over, I accepted with all humility and look forward to the support of the new Board, the alumni community of HBS in India and all my friends at Harvard Business School to take the Club to the next level of success.

We have drawn up an ambitious agenda and I would encourage each of you to volunteer to lead and participate in one or more of the broad streams of activity we intend to pursue during 2015 and 2016.

Stream 1 : The Leadership Agenda, which has been and will continue to be the theme of the Club. We have started the year with a successful Leadership Summit in Mumbai in January, Ranjay Gulati's outstanding class in February and soon Ronnie Screwvala's session on entrepreneurship in Mumbai and Delhi. During the year we expect to have sessions in all cities on Leadership in business and entrepreneurship and will augment that with specific leadership sessions that feature some of our well known politicians, movie personalities and social sector evangelists and explore all aspects of leadership in our country.

Stream 2 : The Social Agenda, which we started last year with an extremely successful interaction at IIM Udaipur with CEOs of Corporate India and large Foundations rubbing shoulders with civil society, think tanks, academia and NGOs and social enterprises from Rajasthan and many parts of the country. We are working on a partnership with the Xavier Institute of Management Bhubaneswar for a similar session in November in the Orissa Capital where we will also include opportunities to understand the culture and art of the East and visits to the famous Jagannath temple and other tourist locations in the state. We also expect to partner with Social Venture Partners and NASSCOM Foundation to do other significant interventions in the social sector.

Stream 3 : The Academic Partnership Agenda, which has seen many featured events with faculty as well as national academic institutions last year and continues to be a key focus area for the Club in partnership with the India Research Centre. We expect to encourage more visiting faculty from the school to travel to other locations as well and also make use of the Video Conferencing technology we have used in two successful editions of the Connected Leaders' Dialog to enable all interested club members to participate. We have partnered with Enactus to do a significant mentoring event for one of the larger business schools in Pune in March and intend to do similar events in Ahmedabad, Goa and other locations during the year.



Apart from these three key streams, we had a successful delegation to Pakistan last year and this year, visits to Dubai and Sri Lanka to participate in events of the clubs in these countries are on the cards.

We have a distinct opportunity, with so many of our alumni in leadership roles in Government, Corporate and the Social sector in the country to establish a reputation of excellence in all leadership areas in the country and the region.

We are setting up the new Board and will also be appointing leaders for various areas to further the Club's agenda. Look forward to hearing your ideas for the future !

And finally a big vote of thanks to the outgoing Board and our President Adil. From early beginnings, the last two years has seen robust growth - in membership, events and the size of the club's coffers. With some of us continuing on the Board and some energetic new members coming in, we will continue to draw on the support of Anjali Raina and the India Research Centre, strengthen the hands of Club Director Manpreet and draw on the wisdom and experience of all of you to deliver on our ambitious plans. Look forward to exciting times

Ganesh Natarajan
President – Elect





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Past Events.....

Presentation by Prof Ranjay Gulati - Leading from Within in Mumbai

28 January, 2015, 6:00 to 8:30 pm

Professor Gulati shared insights on leading from within. This lecture focused on the inner journey of leadership. Through an interactive discussion he examined how leaders not only manage others around them but also themselves. Using illustrative cases and recent research he discussed how outstanding leaders are equally adept at managing others as they are themselves.



HBS New Venture Competition First deadline Over:

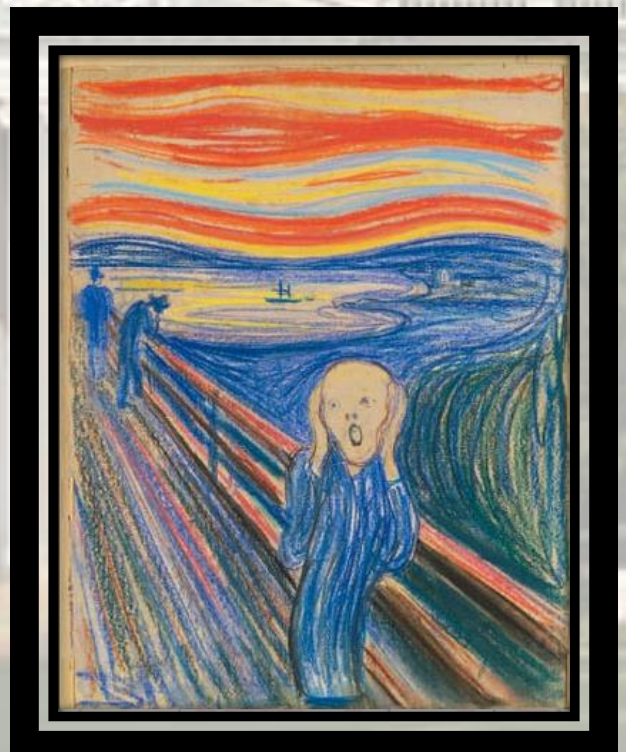
This competition is open to all HBS alumni, including Executive Education and all other alumni status granting programs. Both, for-profit and not-for-profit companies are eligible. With over half of HBS alumni classifying themselves as entrepreneurs at some point in their lives, this contest is designed to shine a spotlight on alumni ventures, support new ventures, and awards up to \$75,000 in cash prizes (three \$25,000 awards).

Selling The Scream: The Modern Masterpiece in Today's Global Market:

29 January, 2015

A talk by Simon Shaw (Global head of Impressionist and Modern Art) was organized by Edward Gibbs, Pankaj Dinodia (HBS Board Member) and Pankaj Agarwal (Co-Chair, Penn Club of Delhi) at the Imperial, New Delhi. The session was very well received with an attractive Q&A session at the end.

The discussion was around Global Markets trends and how one can make a difference and create a path of success. It was a great platform for networking and knowledge sharing among different alumni groups. We look forward for arranging more such events in future.





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Upcoming events...

Teach. Aspire. Motivate

Ahmedabad , TBD

HBS Club of India, NES Foundation and Enactus to have a half-day event on managing aspirations of young students. This is a key initiative to engage the Harvard University alumni and other prominent personalities with current students to provide them insights into trends in the industry, help them tackle challenges of today's competitive work environment, boost their confidence in chasing their dreams and help to find the right balance between personal and professional aspirations.



Entrepreneurship - Dream with your Eyes Open

31 March, 2015, 6:00 to 8:30 pm

HBS Classroom, Taj Lands End, Mumbai

HBS Club of India and Harvard Business School India Research Centre cordially invites you for a lecture on Entrepreneurship - Dream with your Eyes Open with Ronnie Screwvala who's the Founder of UTV and Unilazer Group & Founder Trustee of Swades Foundation.



Become a member today!

Avail of these unparalleled benefits by enrolling as a member of the HBS Club of India:

- Participate and contribute in a new leadership movement that will span business, government and society
- Have special access to 'members only' events and interact with Indian thought leaders and other distinguished speakers
- Interact with HBS faculty and HBS Club members from all over the world
- Access to research produced by the HBS India Research Center for a variety of industries
- Help in fulfilling HBS' mission to create world class leaders while at the same time, contributing to national development
- Experience the joy of giving back to your school
- Special discounts on Harvard Business Review subscription

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