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**CENTRE FOR INTERNATIONAL
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Greetings from CIPE,

This has been a rough week for the community but despite the deep sadness at the loss of one of our members, it has been gratifying to see all of you coming together to support each other and asking questions about how we can be the best community that we can be. I'll say more about this below.

First, though, I want to acknowledge Week 7 and all the hard work that went into it. Heartfelt thanks go out to the CIPE staff, faculty and students who put so much time and energy into making it our most successful Week 7 yet. At times like this, as President Lewis mentioned at the Week 7 Symposium, our traditions are important in sustaining us and our sense of identity as a community. Week 7 is certainly one of those things that define our shared experience here. For me, the Symposium was a wonderful reflection of us at our best. Besides the terrific presentations by all 13 groups, the day really brought a sense of joy to a campus - if you have any doubts about that, take a look at the amazing video created by the Genomics in the Jungle project: <http://bit.ly/2dwJjcN>

Take a look also at the upcoming CIPE events listed in the calendar below. Many of them relate to helping you think about or prepare for things you might do after Yale-NUS: career talks, workshops and info sessions for a variety of very interesting graduate programs, all kinds of amazing global fellowships, both experiential and academic. As I look at the list (and encourage you to go to the ones that look relevant for you), though, I am thinking about a question that came up at the Town Hall this week. Essentially, the speaker asked whether we have changed our values as an institution, moving from an ethos of 'you're going to change the world' to 'you have to get a job.'

It is a very good question and one that I think we probably don't spend enough time considering. My own answer is no, I don't think we have changed. The reason for that is I don't view the main purpose of CIPE or the Career Services team as helping students get a job. Instead, I see a job (or grad school or fellowship) not as the end goal but as the means by which you start on your path to making your distinctive mark on the world. But the fact that the question arose and is clearly a concern shared by many students who have a different answer to the question means that we need to talk about this. Let's have that conversation. I invite you to work with our CIPE Student Advisory Committee members (Chris Tee '17, Sai Ying Ng '17, Dominic Choa '18, Gertie Ma '19, Helena Auerswald '19, Fay Lee '20, Madison Lommen '20 and Ilia Kosar '20) to figure out the best format and venue to have that conversation with us at CIPE.

Finally, a few other calendar items bear mentioning. The Social iCon gathering on November 11th is directly related to nurturing the next generation of global leaders; read below to find out more and decide whether you want to apply. We always want informal feedback on our programs but we also require students who participate in CIPE funded programs to complete an evaluation. If you were on a CIPE summer program this year, please click on the link below to complete an evaluation. Finally, take a look at the What We're Reading section where I have a personal reflection on networking.

Cheers,
Trisha Craig
Dean of CIPE

FOR ALL STUDENTS:

Yale Silver Scholars Program Info Session

[The Silver Scholars Program \(SSP\)](#) is a highly selective three-year MBA program at the [Yale School of Management \(SOM\)](#), which allows students to enter the Yale MBA program immediately after undergraduate study and advance more quickly toward career goals. The SSP includes a year each of core curriculum courses, full-time internship placement, and elective courses. Students in the SSP also have access to career guidance from the Yale SOM Career Development Office and contacts from the Yale SOM alumni network. At this session, Jared Liu (Associate Director of Admissions, Yale SOM) will share details about the program requirements, timelines and structure. **Register** via [Symplcity](#) under Events -> Workshops.

Date: Monday, 10 October 2016

Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Venue: Classroom 16

A general session about the wide range of programs offered at Yale SOM will take place the same day at 7:00pm at The Westin Singapore. Registration for this event is also open on [Symplcity](#).

Becoming a Storyteller

Interested in hearing how one classics major has navigated his career in sectors as varied as corporate, political, academia, and non-profit, in the cities of New York, Mumbai, and New Delhi? Nitin Das Rai is a brand consultant and storyteller, with key skills in strategy, new business development, and creative writing. Currently at [Interbrand](#) Singapore, Nitin previously co-founded Policiti, a political branding startup in New Delhi, and worked at Landor Mumbai, Interbrand New York, and the Clinton Foundation (New York).

Join us for a Rector's Tea to learn more about Nitin's story. Please **RSVP** on [Symplcity](#) by Monday, 10 October.

Date: Thursday, 13 October 2016

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Venue: Saga Rector's Common

US Graduate Programs in International Affairs and Diplomacy

If you are keen to pursue postgraduate studies in law, diplomacy or international affairs, join this info session to hear from representatives of four top US schools in these fields. Learn about advanced degree programs at the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy (Tufts University), the School of International and

Public Affairs (Columbia University) and the School of Advanced International Studies (Johns Hopkins University), as well as the Master of Science in Foreign Service program at Georgetown University. Breakfast will be provided. **Register** by Thursday, 20 October via [Symplicity](#) under Events -> Workshops.

Date: Monday, 24 October 2016

Time: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM

Venue: Elm Student Commons

Introduction to Fellowships Information Session

Are you passionate about research and searching for a funded opportunity to help you pursue your further academic, leadership, and professional interests? Then you might want to learn more about fellowships. Attend this information session to learn broadly about fellowships, steps for application, and specific programs that CIPE hopes to highlight. Class of 2017 and 2018 students are strongly encouraged to attend this information session. [RSVP](#) by Wednesday, 19 October.

Date: Tuesday, 25 October 2016

Time: 12:00 PM

Venue: Saga Lecture Theatre 01

Oxford Said Business School Information Session

Aidan O'Halloran from Oxford Said Business School will be coming to campus to present on the [Oxford MBA](#) and [1+1 MBA program](#). SBS has a large number of scholarships, including the [Clarendon](#), [Pershing Square](#), and [several foundation scholarships](#) to support MBA programs. It is also linked to the [Schwarzman Scholars program as a 1+1 option](#). For students keen to pursue an MBA (with a funding opportunity), please be sure to sign up for this information session [here](#).

Date: Monday, 31 October 2016

Time: 12:00 PM

Venue: Saga Lecture Theatre 01

Rapid Resume Reviews

CIPE Career Services will be in the Elm Dining Hall during lunchtime every Friday to provide feedback on student resumes. Bring a hard copy of your resume to strengthen it before submitting for future applications! No registration is needed.

Date: Friday, 04 November 2016

Time: 12:00 PM to 1:00 PM

Venue: Elm Dining Hall

Tech Careers for Liberal Arts majors

Curious to learn how two Yale alumni journeyed from studying liberal arts to leadership positions in tech giants like Google and Uber? Our two guests, Mr. Adam Click and Mr. Mike Brown will join us for a Rector's Tea to share about their career journeys. Mr. Click is a Global Account Executive at Google with a strong passion for digital technology and foreign policy; he holds key skills in strategic/analytical thinking, project management and communication. Mr. Brown is a Regional General Manager responsible for developing Uber's business across Asia. He holds specialized skills in strategic planning, M&A and has also held previous positions in Twitter and Facebook. Interested in hearing more? **RSVP** on [Symplicity](#) by Thursday, 03 November.

Date: Thursday, 10 November 2016

Time: 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM

Venue: Cendana Rector's Commons

Social iCon 2016 - ChangeGeneration

Social iCon 2016 - ChangeGeneration, a partnership between the Lien Centre for Social Innovation at the Singapore Management University and Ashoka Singapore, will bring fourteen Ashoka Fellows – some of the most decorated Youth Empowerment social innovators in the world – to Singapore. Together, they will share, discuss and learn how to create a seismic shift in thought and action to ensure the next generation is prepared for constant change, for complex problem-solving, creativity, moral imagination and empathy. In short, to ensure that this generation is not only the most influential yet, but the most influential Change Generation for a better future.

The day begins with a call to awareness by exceptional young leaders, followed by high level panel discussions with leaders from all sectors focusing on distilling the criteria for a successful paradigm shift and exploring why self-directedness matters, why community linkages matter, and particularly why starting young matters. In the afternoon, breakout sessions, strategic conversations and workshops bring the right mix of players into the fold to set out action steps and share the necessary tools. For more information, please visit <https://www.smu.edu.sg/changegeneration>.

Date: Friday, 11 November 2016

Time: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Venue: Singapore Management University

A limited number of students will be selected to participate with CIPE support. If you are keen, please write to Yock Theng at yocktheng.tan@yale-nus.edu.sg by 12 October Wednesday 2359 hours, with a brief write-up (max 2 pages) answering the following questions:

- Tell us about yourself in 200 words
- Why do you want to attend the conference?
- How will the conference connect with and further your existing interests and/or work?

Graduate School Resources

Attend a **Graduate School Workshop** to learn important information about the application process and participate in hands-on activities to help with your planning. Upcoming workshops are available on [Symplicity under Events -> Workshops](#). In addition, we encourage you to visit our updated [grad school webpage](#) and sign up for the **Yale-NUS Grad School Bound** mailing list [here](#) to receive regular updates and resources.

If you have questions or would like to schedule a graduate school advising session, contact Zhana Sandeva at zhana.sandeva@yale-nus.edu.sg or schedule an appointment directly with her [HERE](#).

FOR CLASS OF 2017:

Summer Evaluation Survey

A final reminder - While your summer experiences are still fresh in your heads, we are hoping to gather your thoughts and experiences so we can continue to make our programs the best they possibly can be. If you participated in any CIPE program this past summer, including short programs such as LABs, please help us by **filling out the survey at [this link](#) by 23:59 on Sunday, 09 October 2016**. Your insights are truly invaluable and we appreciate any comments you have. Please email Nikolai Kapustin at nikolai.kapustin@yale-nus.edu.sg if you have any questions or issues with the survey and we look forward to reading your responses.

Graduate School Personal Statement Workshop

Join Lawrence Ypil from the Writers' Centre and Zhana Sandeva from CIPE to learn how to bring your personal statement from "very good" to "excellent". All attendees are encouraged to bring a draft of their personal statement along.

Date: Wednesday, 12 October 2016

Time: 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM

Venue: Classroom 16

Princeton in Asia Deadline Reminder

Princeton in Asia has 130 fellowships in 21 Asian countries. Applications are **due on Friday, 11 November** and can be submitted through the online portal [here](#). More information about the application requirements, process, and fees can be found [here](#) and [here](#). PiA also encourage potential applicants to reach out to their office at piaapps@princeton.edu to get login information to their website with reports filed by previous fellows. This information will provide valuable insight as you narrow down your focus for potential placements and write your personal statement. Questions? Applicants are encouraged to meet with Charlotte once to talk about program fit and two-three times to go over essay drafts in the 3 weeks before the 11 November deadline. Set up an appointment with her today via email: charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg. Before signing up for an appointment, please be sure to read this comprehensive breakdown of the PiA application process [here](#).

New Program Deadline Announcement: Via Programs – 13 Nov deadline

Want to pursue a [social impact experiential fellowship](#) post-graduation for a year in the region? Via Programs has education and non-profit placements that allow their fellows to receive "hands-on experience learning how organizations in Asia are using creative and innovative methods to address critical social challenges." Want another set of eyes to look through your application and provide feedback? Email Charlotte at charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg to set up an appointment to discuss this opportunity and receive feedback on essay drafts leading up to the 13 November deadline.

Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Deadline Reminder

The Japan Exchange and Teaching (JET) Programme is an international opportunity for individuals to work in [local governments and schools](#) across Japan for a one-year placement. Students from [participating countries](#) wanting to deepen their interest in Japan who have not lived in Japan for six or more years in the past ten years are [eligible to apply](#). Students must apply through their home country's Embassy of Japan. [Application will be accepted](#) starting in **October until late November/early December, and timelines vary by embassy (Singapore deadline is 18 November)**. Applicants are encouraged to meet with Charlotte once in October to talk about program fit and two-three times to go over essay drafts 3 weeks before their home country deadlines. Set up an appointment with her today via email: charlotte.evans@yale-nus.edu.sg. Before signing up for an appointment, please be sure to read this leaflet by JET [here](#).

Harvard Yenching Institute Fellowship Deadline Reminder

Are you interested in pursuing the [Regional Studies East Asia Master's program at Harvard](#)? The [Harvard Yenching Institute has a fellowship](#) to cover comprehensive costs for the two years Master's program. Applicants apply through the [Graduate Admissions](#) page by **Thursday, 1 December deadline here**. Their office then puts forward strong applicants to Harvard Yenching Institute. No separate application beyond the graduate admissions application is required to be considered for the fellowship. The fellowship parameters are as follows: Asian nationals who intend to pursue a PhD at Harvard or a comparable institution upon completion of the MA and who intend to return to Asia for professorship role. If you are interested in this opportunity and meet the requirements, applicants are encouraged to set up an appointment with Charlotte to talk about program fit and to schedule two-three times to go over essay drafts

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Looking for a job after graduation?

Please ensure that you keep on top of application deadlines for the various graduate programmes across the respective organizations/industries that you are applying for – mark it down on your calendars or schedule reminders on your mobile phone! You can find a sample list of deadlines in [Simplicity](#).

If you're submitting job applications, please remember to check your email (inbox AND spam) and mobile on a daily/regular basis for updates or responses from the employer/recruiter. Some employers will contact you without notice to assess your interest in a position.

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Caring for Cambodia – Lunchtime Talk

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Duke-NUS Medical School, with its emphasis on teamwork, leadership, research, creativity and critical thinking, trains individuals to practice medicine and/or play a role in improving the practice of medicine. Find out more about graduate opportunities at Duke-NUS during this event jointly hosted by Duke-NUS faculty and the Special Programme in Science. **Register [HERE](#)**.

Date: Wednesday, 12 October 2016

Time: 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM

Venue: LT 15 (Block NS1 NS1-04-07), Nanyang Technological University

Duke-NUS Mini Open House

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Date: Monday, 31 October 2016

Time: 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Venue: Duke-NUS Medical School, 8 College Road S(169857), Amphitheatre (Level 2)

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OFF-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:

Middle East Institute-Emirates NBD Middle East Essay Prize

Write about the Middle East and North Africa, or the Islamic world, and win a trip to Dubai! Email your name and contact details to meicomms@nus.edu.sg to indicate your interest. See the attached poster for more details.

Rules for submission:

1. The paper must be an original creation of the author, and not previously submitted for publication.
 2. No more than 3000-5000 words, excluding the bibliography. The paper must use primary and/or secondary sources.
 3. Author must be an undergraduate at NUS, NTU, SMU, SUTD, SIT or UniSIM.
 4. Submit papers in PDF format with your full name and university by 17 October 2016 to meicommms@nus.edu.sg.
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ON-CAMPUS OPPORTUNITIES:

Job Opportunities

Visit the [On-Campus Jobs page](#) for the latest Student Associate position listings. Administrative roles are available with the Global Affairs major, and research opportunities – in computational biology, ecology and psychology. Apply now!

WHAT WE'RE READING BY DEAN CRAIG:

This week we're thinking about networking and one of the books we're reading is *Planetwalker: 22 Years of Walking; 17 Years of Silence* by John Francis. It is not a book about networking but the story of why it's on our book list illustrates an important point about the whole concept of networking. This past weekend, the CIPE fellowships team offered a networking workshop with Gouri Mirpuri, a linguist, entrepreneur and international hostess as a diplomatic spouse currently posted in Washington, where her husband is the Singaporean ambassador to the US. Her main point was that networking is not an instrumental 'what can I get out of this?' activity but rather must come from an attitude of generosity. *How can I offer connectivity to people who should know each other? How can I be of help here?* are the driving questions.

Gouri met John Francis recently in Washington. John is an environmentalist who has literally walked the earth (see his TED talk here: <http://bit.ly/2cVAIOA>) and was appointed as the National Geographic's first Education Fellow in 2010. John mentioned he was going to be in Singapore and Gouri (whom I had only met once) put him in touch with me. I invited him home for lunch and gave him a tour of Yale-NUS and the NUS museums. It turns out he lives in the same small coastal town in New Jersey where I spent all my summers growing up and he and my husband discovered they have many acquaintances in common from the world of journalism. We all had a wonderful time; we learned things about the world we didn't know and expanded our circles and networks. What does Gouri, who connected us, get out of this? Superficially, it would seem like nothing but in fact, she has deepened her relationships with the people she introduced and it is the strength of your relationships that will help you make your way in the world. Networking sometimes has an unpleasant transactional connotation, something that hyper-competitive, individualistic people do to get ahead. But in fact, "the currency of real networking is not greed but generosity" to quote from the other book we're reading this week, *Never Eat Alone, and Other Secrets to Success, One Relationship at a Time* by Keith Ferrazzi. If you're someone who hates the whole idea of networking, the next time you're in that situation, approach it from the lens of generosity and see if that makes a difference.

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