## Alumni News

**JUNE 2023** 

#### President's Welcome



Proudly serving as President of the HKU Business School Alumni Association (HKUBSAA), it is my distinct pleasure to present you all with the first-ever edition of our new quarterly e-newsletter.

Since the beginning of the current academic year last September, we have been working hard to restart our organization post pandemic by building stronger ties with our alma mater's development and alumni team which supported us immensely. Certainly, the end of the three-year long COVID19 pandemic and the lifting of the 945-day mask mandate have also benefitted us favourably.

I am happy to report that since September 2022, we have added 96 new ordinary members and tripled our number of lifetime members. With your support, HKUBSAA is becoming a stronger and more vibrant community that now stands at over 3,000 members altogether. During the past nine months, we have hosted 15 successful events, a handful of which such as our Inaugural "Global Reunion" Series Dinner Talk that was co-organized with the Yale Club of Hong Kong, and our Tai Kwun Happy Hour Get Together are highlighted below. Rest assured – in case you haven't been able to mingle with us yet, the good times at HKUBSAA are only getting started and we've got several other amazing events lined up for you during the latter half of 2023. From a wine-tasting evening tram party in early June to our 2nd Global Reunion Series dinner talk in June, there will be many more opportunities for you to network, mingle, and party with your fellow HKU Business School alumni this year!

Finally, allow me to also use this opportunity to give a special vote of thanks to our HKUBSAA Executive Committee, who have also been instrumental in the many milestones we have accomplished during the past year! In particular, Francis Cheng (MBA—Class of 2008) and David Hong (BBA IS—Class of 2009) have both helped us tremendously by tapping into their own powerful personal networks to secure first-rate speakers for our recent events, while Jeffrey Tse (BBA—Class of 2003 & MEcon—Class of 2004) has taken the lead on our upcoming tram party night! As HKUBSAA continues to grow bigger and better, we always welcome and invite all of our members' support and collaboration to launch our next exciting event! Thank you year, much and see you all soon!

Thank you very much and see you all soon! Mr. Teddy Liu, MBA (Class of '98) President, HKUBSAA

## **Events Highlights**

Bordeaux Fine Wine Tram Nite

This unique event brought together 30 of our business school alumni for an unforgettable evening of networking and fine wine tasting with great conversations and connections. Our ExCo member, *Jeffrey Tse*, guided the attendees through a carefully curated selection of exquisite



**Alumni Happy Hour Gathering** 

programmes mixed and mingled as familiar friends and new faces alike hung out in historic Tai Kwun during our first happy hour event post-pandemic! The laidback and casual atmosphere

of the al fresco café and bar was a wonderful setting to share this beautiful spring evening

Over 130 of our alumni across various

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### **Local Entrepreneur Sharing Talk**

About 100 alumni joined us to digest the sharing by two local F&B entrepreneurs, *Tommy Chan* of Tai Hing Group, and *Benny Leung* of NOC Coffee. Thanks to our Executive Committee member and elite social powerhouse, *Francis*\*Cheng, for connecting us with the two young the social powerhouse of the two young the social powerhouse. successful speakers, who served such excellent food for thought regarding business wisdom and management philosophy.





It's not everyday you get to hear directly from the senior leadership at one of mainland China's most promising companies, which happens to be



In partnership with our friends at the Yale Club

In partnershp with our friends at the Yale Club of Hong Kong, our alumni joined us as we kicked off the inaugural event in our new Global Reunion Dinner Talk series. During this joyous occasion. HKU's very own Chair Professor of Finance, Zhiwu Chen, helped us all to reflect on the

current geopolitical landscape and global business opportunities.

### ding manufacturer of s and speciality vehicles. Our alumni benefitted from this hybrid leadership talk featuring CIMC Vehicles (Group)'s President and CEO, *David Li*,

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and Vice President & Secretary of the Board of Directors, Flora Mao

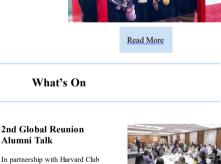
To celebrate the new year, about 20 of our alumni gathered together in downtown Seoul to break bread and reconnect! Special shout-out to our BFin (AMPB) Deputy Programme Director, *David S Lee*, for organizing and hosting the happy occasion.

Alumni Get-together in Seoul

Watch Video







# **Summer Happy Hour**

Alumni Talk

# August

October

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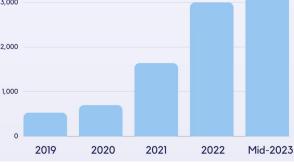
2,000

June 27

Alumni Sharing Talk



### **Member Growth**



since launch in 2019



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