



FORE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT, NEW DELHI
FORE Alumni Network
AY 2023-24

1. ALUMNI SPEAKS- 2023

On the 4th of August 2023, the FORE Alumni Network hosted their alumni interaction event titled "Alumni Speak 2023," featuring esteemed speakers Ritu Bharti and Diya Malhotra.

Ritu Bharti commenced the discussion by emphasizing the significance of acquiring new skills and navigating through uncertain situations. Following that, Diya Malhotra elaborated on methods to enhance one's skill set, including an exploration of the 70, 20, and 10 Rules. She also shared insights on the skills essential in the ever-changing landscape, drawing from her own experiences and journey, and provided numerous illuminating examples.

The session proved to be highly beneficial for the students, and we eagerly anticipate the opportunity to host more such events in the future.



2. THE ALUMNI MASTER CLASS 2023 REPORT

The FORE Alumni Network organized "**Alumni Master class 2023**" on **November 30, 2023**. The event showcased esteemed speakers, including **Kartik Sabharwal**, Managing Partner and Team Head at **Centrum Wealth**, and **Siddhartha Kapila**, also a Managing Partner and Team Head at **Centrum Wealth**. The event was attended by 47 students in total.

The FAN team initiated the event by extending a heartfelt welcome to our esteemed alumni.



Kartik Sabharwal initiated the discussion, highlighting the importance of wealth management and emphasizing the pivotal role of sales in this realm. Leveraging his vast expertise, he generously imparted invaluable insights and practical advice, enhancing the audience's grasp of this intricate field.

Subsequently, **Siddhartha Kapila** continued the session, presenting a thorough outline of wealth management tactics. Delving into the industry intricacies, he offered valuable perspectives and shared practical anecdotes from his professional experience.

The session was incredibly enriching for the students involved, providing them with invaluable insights into the sphere of wealth management. It served as a significant learning opportunity, imparting valuable knowledge that enhanced their understanding of managing wealth. The participating students gained understanding in the field, equipping them with essential tools and information crucial for effective wealth management strategies. Overall, the session significantly enriched the students' comprehension of wealth management practices, offering them practical and valuable knowledge to navigate this domain successfully.



The team extended heartfelt thanks to both distinguished alumni for sharing their expertise generously. We showed our gratitude by presenting tokens of appreciation to our esteemed alumni for their valuable insights.

3. JUBILATE – THE ANNUAL ALUMNI MEET 2023 REPORT

Jubilate-2023, The Annual Alumni Meet of FORE School of Management took place on December 9, 2023, from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the India Habitat Centre, Silver Oak Hall, India Habitat Centre, New Delhi. The event brought together enthusiastic alumni, faculty members, and distinguished guests for a day of celebration and connection. A brisk gathering of 300 plus were welcomed with warmth.



The ceremony commenced with the traditional lighting of the lamp by Dr. Subir Verma, Director of FORE School of Management, Dr. B.B.L Madhukar, Chairman, and Dr. Vinayshil Gautam, Vice Chairman, Professor (Dr.) Rajneesh Chauhan, Dean (Corporate Relations), Professor (Dr.) Lokesh Jindal.



A mesmerizing classical dance performance by a talented FOREians added an artistic touch to the event.



Dr. Subir Verma delivered a welcoming address, expressing gratitude for the alumni's presence and highlighting the school's achievements. Dr. B.B.L Madhukar followed with an inspiring inaugural speech, urging alumni to strive for excellence and contribute to their alma mater's growth.



In the resplendent setting of this year's Jubilate, the limelight shone brilliantly on the recognition of its inaugural group, encompassing the distinguished alumni from 1994 to 2003. Dr. Subir Verma, Director of FORE School of Management, conferred honors and distinctions upon the esteemed individuals belonging to the "Inaugural Decade," capturing this enchanting moment for posterity through the lens of a captivating group photograph.





In a significant announcement, Mr. Raj P Narayanam, the Distinguished Awardee, announced his commitment to give FORE by pledging to raise Rs10 crores for FORE Entrepreneurs. He invited matching contributions from the FORE Entrepreneurs community and the FORE School of Management to establish a substantial campus.



Alumni awards were presented to recognize outstanding achievements, accompanied by warm applause from the audience. The recipients were: Mr. Raj P Narayanam, Founder of Zagggle, received the award for Entrepreneurship; Mr. Sanjiv Bajaj, Joint Chairman & MD of Bajaj Capital Ltd., was honored for Executive Leadership; Mr. Vivek Agrawal, CIO of IndiaMart InterMESH Ltd., received recognition for Outstanding Contribution to Alma Mater; Ms. Reema Malhotra, Senior Vice President of People at S&P Global, Partner at SVP India, and Member of the Board of Advisors at Sampark Foundation, was acknowledged as an Influential Women Leader; and Ms. Manya Girdhar, VP at HSBC, was celebrated as the Young Alumni Achiever.



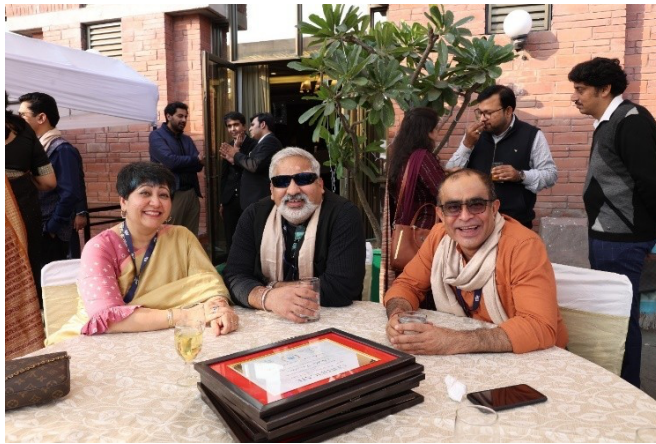
In the closing remarks at the FORE School of Management Alumni Reunion, the Vice Chairman expressed sincere gratitude, thanking attendees for their patient and enthusiastic participation. Reflecting on the essence of FORE, he shared the inspiring journey of Dr. Jitendra Kumar Das, Director General, FORE School of Management (also former Director of FORE School of Management), as a symbol of the institution's values. Delving into FORE's core beliefs, he highlighted its unique philosophy, rooted in the cyclical nature of time in Indian culture. The Vice Chairman emphasized the deep connection between FORE's values and Indian culture, enriching the educational experience. Lastly, he underscored FORE's distinctive management education approach, combining global perspectives with a collaborative ethos. Concluding with pride, the Vice Chairman invited all to reconvene next year, fostering a tradition of reflecting on shared success and growth among the FORE alumni.



Dr. Rajneesh Chauhan Dean (Corporate Relations), in a gracious gesture, extended his heartfelt appreciation to all those who played a pivotal role in orchestrating the event. With eloquence and sincerity, he acknowledged the collective efforts that made the Alumni Reunion a resounding success. Expressing gratitude to the organizing team, faculty, and attendees, Dr. Chauhan underscored the importance of their contributions in creating a memorable and impactful gathering. His words resonated with genuine gratitude, capping off the event on a note of shared accomplishment and unity among the FORE School of Management community.



An added benefit of the alumni gathering was the opportunity to engage with graduates from various graduating classes. The event served as a nexus, bringing together alumni from diverse professional backgrounds and graduating years. It served as a catalyst for the establishment of new bonds and the reinforcement of existing ones. Not only did alumni exchange valuable industry insights, but they also nurtured enduring connections that extend beyond the confines of the event.



Alumni joyously reunited after three decades, their faces aglow with genuine happiness, filling the air with laughter and animated conversations evoking cherished memories. The reunion showcased enduring friendships that withstood the test of time, creating an atmosphere of jubilation and nostalgia. Overwhelmed with joy, alumni expressed gratitude for the opportunity to reconnect, with Rohit Kapur stating, "Thanks to Dr. Verma and the entire FORE management for the special recognition." Sumeet Prakash echoed the sentiment, expressing anticipation for future interactions, stating, "Grateful to FAN and the faculty at FORE for hosting a superb, well-organized event." Mr. Zia Khan stated, "It was great catching up with the rest of the batch mates some of whom I met after nearly 30 years!!! Thank you FORE Alumni Network."



The sheer brilliance of the event was widely acknowledged, with heartfelt appreciation extended to Team FAN for orchestrating such a remarkable gathering. Attendees praised the meticulous planning, seamless execution, and attention to detail that made the event unforgettable. Team FAN's dedication and effort were lauded, contributing significantly to the overall success of this extraordinary and memorable occasion. Anticipation is already building for next year's event, with eager attendees eagerly awaiting another opportunity to reunite and celebrate.



The day concluded with a networking cocktail lunch at the Patio & Lawn, providing a vibrant platform for alumni to reconnect, forge new connections, and share experiences. The lively atmosphere and engaging conversations reflected the enduring bond among FORE alumni, marking the Annual Alumni Meet as a resounding success.



4. RENDEZVOUS 2024 REPORT

The FORE Alumni Network orchestrated their flagship event "**Rendezvous 2024**" on **January 12, 2024**, centered around the pressing theme of **adapting to digital disruptions**. This transformative session featured three distinguished speakers. **Abhijeet Satsangi**, WMG-5 from the class of 1999 currently serving as the CEO of **Chipsoft India**, **Mukul Jain**, FMG-7 from the class of 2000 currently serving as the Head product engineering and digital operations at **Max Life Insurance** and **Shrikant Kothari**, FMG-7 from the class of 2000, currently serving as the head of IT at **Microsoft** drawing an engaged audience from various sectors. The event was attended by 120 plus students.

The event commenced with a warm welcome extended by the FAN team, setting the tone for an insightful journey ahead.



Abhijeet Satsangi, took the stage first, elucidating the intricacies of value creation in today's competitive milieu. With his seasoned expertise, Mr. Satsangi delineated the practicalities of modern concepts and their resonance with shifting industry paradigms. He painted a vivid picture of the heightened expectations for newcomers and how the disruptive landscape is reshaping traditional business frameworks.

Following this, **Mukul Jain**, continued to captivate the audience. Mr. Jain underscored that digital transformation is more than a technological shift; it's about fostering a holistic digital ethos. He shed light on the imperatives of delivering a seamless customer experience and harnessing data-driven strategies to unlock organizational value.

Concluding the series of illuminating talks, **Shrikant Kothari** offered a compelling perspective on the speed of technological evolution. Drawing intriguing parallels, Mr. Kothari juxtaposed historical milestones with contemporary advancements, emphasizing the criticality of agility across sectors. He underscored the transformative potential of merging HR and finance functions with technology, highlighting their pivotal roles in driving innovation.



For the attendees, this session proved invaluable, offering deep insights into navigating digital disruptions effectively. To express gratitude, the FAN team honoured Abhijeet Satsangi, Mukul Jain, and Shrikant Kothari with tokens of appreciation, recognizing their invaluable contributions to the event's success.



5. PANCHTATVA 2024 REPORT

Date: 09th February 2024

FORE Alumni Network proudly organized "Panchtatva 2024," a functional conclave spotlighting the expertise of its illustrious alumni across varied sectors. The central theme, "2025 and Beyond: Shaping the Future - Innovations, Challenges, and Collaborations Across Industries," resonated profoundly with the 150+ students in attendance.

The event commenced with an enthusiastic welcome by the FAN team, setting an anticipatory mood for the insightful discussions ahead.

Ashit Ranjan, Class of 1994 and Senior Director - Transition at WNS, initiated the discourse. Mr. Ranjan emphasized the indispensable role of curiosity in professional development. He championed the idea of fostering a continuous learning mindset, urging students to make curiosity a cornerstone of their career trajectories.

Anurag Goyal, Class of 2005 and Head of Technology Marketing at IBM, took the stage next. Mr. Goyal delved deep into the evolving landscape of technology in marketing. He unveiled emerging technologies and their transformative impact on crafting innovative marketing blueprints, offering invaluable insights to budding technologists and marketers.

Mohit Mittal, Class of 2008 and Co-Head of Investment Research at Acuity Knowledge Partners, navigated the audience through the labyrinth of finance. Mr. Mittal elucidated the pivotal considerations pivotal for success in the financial realm. His pragmatic advice illuminated the intricacies of finance, empowering students with actionable insights for their future endeavors.

Shikhar Gupta, Class of 2009 and Director - Energy, Mobility, Industrial Products at PwC, shared his profound expertise in strategy consulting. Mr. Gupta unraveled the complex facets of strategy consulting, touching upon sales enablement, solution development, go-to-market strategies, and business development. His comprehensive discourse equipped students with a holistic view of the strategy consulting landscape.

Concluding the enlightening series of talks, Vivek Agrawal, Class of 2009 and Chief Information Officer at IndiaMART InterMESH Limited, cast a spotlight on the transformative role of technology. Mr. Agrawal explored the convergence of technological trends, innovation, and organizational strategies. His insights shed light on the indispensable role of IT in sculpting the future business milieu.

In recognition of their invaluable contributions, the FAN team extended tokens of appreciation to Ashit Ranjan, Anurag Goyal, Mohit Mittal, Shikhar Gupta, and Vivek

Agrawal. These acknowledgments served as a testament to their profound impact on the event's success.

The conclave was a resounding success, reinforcing FORE Alumni Network's commitment to fostering a symbiotic relationship between academia and real-world expertise. As the FORE Alumni Network looks ahead, it remains steadfast in its mission to orchestrate more transformative events that empower the next generation of leaders



ALUMNI SPEAK 2024 REPORT

On March 15, 2024, the FORE Alumni Network hosted Alumni Speak, a session featuring Sonam Varughese (Dhingra) and Sunil Varughese, both from the Class of 2008. The session focused on empowering students with the knowledge and strategies to excel in corporate setups and navigate the professional networking landscape.

Sonam Varughese (Dhingra), with her 15 years of experience in financial analysis, credit risk assessment, policy development, and portfolio management within the banking and Fintech sectors, provided valuable insights on how to approach the opportunities. She emphasized the importance of:

Doing quality work and embracing challenges: Consistently striving for excellence and not shying away from difficult opportunities equips you with valuable skills and experiences that will impress interviewers.

Proactive career development: Actively seek out opportunities to learn and grow in your field. This demonstrates initiative and a commitment to continuous improvement.

Sunil Varughese, leveraging his expertise in management consulting and building organizational capabilities, shed light on four key points on how to prepare your for opportunities:

Career Clarity: Having a clear vision of your long-term career goals allows you to tailor your responses to demonstrate how the opportunity aligns with your aspirations.

Technical Preparedness: Thoroughly research about the opportunities to ensure you possess the necessary technical skills and knowledge.

Creative Communication: Move beyond a scripted approach and showcase your personality and critical thinking skills through creative and insightful responses.

Authenticity: Be genuine and let your unique qualities shine through. Employers value candidates who are comfortable in their own skin.

The alumni speakers' combined expertise provided students with a well-rounded understanding of the essential skills for interview success and strategic networking. FORE Alumni Network looks forward to hosting more events that bridge the gap between academia and the professional world.

