

# ALUMNI WORLD



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## EVENT

## ALUMNI REUNIONS

**O**n Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2015, we held our first Belgian Alumni Reunion in Brussels. Following a workshop that the GMP18 Alumni organised for just their promotion, we made the most of their gathering to invite all Belgian Alumni to join us in the evening for drinks. The GMP18 group proactively set up a follow up module to their programme which concluded in October 2015, by organising a workshop led by Jens Meyer. The session in the morning concentrated on regenerating lessons learned and the afternoon focused on the strategic analysis of organisations.

For the Belgian Alumni reunion in the evening, we had a good turnout and enjoyed a truly wonderful evening of drinks at the Roy d'Espagne on the Grande Place, followed by dinner at the Belga Queen. It was a really memorable occasion – not only as it was our first reunion and an extremely positive initiative from our GMP group, but it reminded us how special our alumni community is and what an extraordinary dynamic they have as a group.

→ Thank you so much to everyone who attended and a special thanks to Veronique Renard for leading the GMP18 initiative.

## NEXT ALUMNI REUNIONS

**JUNE** 🇫🇷 GMP18 group in Paris  
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**JULY** 🇨🇳 For MBE participants and all Chinese Alumni in Shanghai  
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**JULY** 🇬🇧 GMP19 group and all UK Alumni in London  
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**SEPT.** 🇫🇷 New Annual Alumni Reunion at CEDEP - academic and member workshops  
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We look forward to seeing you there! If you would like to organise a reunion with your group and invite a CEDEP faculty guest to speak, it would be our pleasure to help you and we are already looking forward to it!

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## Welcome



Welcome to our very first CEDEP Alumni World Newsletter. We are delighted to launch the Alumni World newsletter

which will provide us with a consistent communication to our alumni community and a lively way of sending you CEDEP's latest news, as well as give us the opportunity to hear from you and build our strong and growing Alumni network. We will send you three newsletters a year – in the winter, spring and autumn – and we would love you to contact us if you have any ideas or subjects to cover. As we are digitalising and modernising CEDEP, we will keep you updated on programme news, campus changes and new projects, but fundamentally we would like you to reconnect and interact with us and each other. With more reunions planned in the upcoming months, this is just the beginning of relaunching our Alumni community and there will be much more to come! #The Sky's Not The Limit. Here's to the first of many Alumni Worlds!

**Thomas HINTERSEER**, Managing Director

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## NEWS

# DIGITAL CEDEP

On Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016, CEDEP hosted an event with members and partners to celebrate two important milestones: the inauguration of a new digital facility and a new partnership with Decision Strategies International, (DSI), a Heidrick & Struggles company. Guests from our member companies attended to mark this important day, as well as delegates from INSEAD and the Fontainebleau town hall, including the Mayor of Fontainebleau, Frederic Valletoux, .

In order to adapt to both the needs of our members and faculty, we have invested in digitally modernising our campus by signing an agreement with Cisco, Elit Technologies and Sensorit. Thanks to these companies, the executive education club is now equipped with new interactive screens and an innovative software that will assist its international members based all over the globe to collaborate more easily and reduce the travel burden on speakers and members. Similarly, to ensure that content is current and diverse, we are also expanding our reach by officialising partnerships with organisations we collaborate with regularly. DSI is one such partner. Through its global footprint, DSI offers a unique value proposition to its customers by working with them both to create dynamic strategic plans and instill a culture of learning that supports flexibility, dynamic growth and competitive readiness in the face of unprecedented uncertainty.

→ Please find the link to videos and photos of the day on [www.cedep.fr](http://www.cedep.fr)



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# 1200 RESPONSES



95% want to come back to CEDEP. Top choices of what you would like from CEDEP – more event offerings and online courses.

## THE FLOOR IS YOURS



**Wim WUYTS**, Head of Tax, Bekaert, Programme Director, CEDEP, Founder & Chair, International School for Tax Leadership, Founding Member, No Mountain Too High Foundation (VZW)

### → Favourite CEDEP class/ memory:

My favourite GMP memories go back to the many informal and pleasant dinner table discussions we had on the topics that were dealt with during the day. The combination of the formal “tower” sessions with the informal “table” chats in the evening gave me the biggest insights for my future work.

### → How did the the programme impact your life afterwards?

I would summarise it with a quote from Jules Goddard : *“You don’t want to look back on your life and conclude I complied”*. In this context, the GMP clearly gave me the self-confidence, insights and tools to try to make a sustainable difference in whatever I’m aspiring to.

## ALUMNI WHAT WE CAN DO FOR YOU

CEDEP is very eager to rebuild its Alumni network and make it even stronger than it has ever been!

We are working on various offers for our Alumni including special room rentals at CEDEP, finding you speakers for your events, electing Class Leaders in all our OEPs to ensure that each group can plan for Alumni reunions and support one another, as well as give you regular content through webinars with our faculty. One such offer that is already in place is access to Harvard Business Publishing material. We have got two online courses available for you – all you have to do is register here:

<https://cb.hbsp.harvard.edu/cbmp/access/43260422>

Once you have done this, you will be able to access the Introduction to Strategy and Stress Management courses.

→ We hope this is helpful to you – please let us know if you are interested in accessing other resources.



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