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FROM LEAFY MELBOURNE

The earlier graduates would know me as the person who helped Paul Cheung start the Programme in early 1999, but perhaps not many know that I retired six years later and moved back to Australia with my husband Fred in mid-October 2004. We have an apartment near the Melbourne University, so we go nearly every week to concerts, gallery exhibitions, films, and museums in the city. We have taken up painting and I have become a member of the Plant Craft Cottage group within the famous Royal Botanic Garden, and so I am able to do a lot of indoor craft activities with our three grandchildren. Fred and I have also bought a tent, fishing gear and two bicycles, so we are really having the time of our life. If you don’t think I am boring you, you are welcome to see a small number of family snapshots taken in the last two years by going to this site: http://pictures.web.google.com/frederic/castro/CastroInRetirement?authkey=M.KyiRjZ5d5BwV5wCpnnL6wMng. But I am also learning a lot about e-commerce, as Australia is quite advanced in this aspect. I have kept up my contact with Paul Cheung, Francis Lau, and all the instructors, the Alumni Association, and of course, the Programme Office staff: Sonia, Keric, Martin, Ellen and Priscilla, who are doing a great job in helping Paul manage the Programme. On my last visit to Hong Kong in July 2006, Paul and Francis asked me to help them launch a newsletter for graduates, and to conduct a curriculum review under the chairmanship of Francis. I am very delighted to be asked to undertake the two tasks, so I would really like to invite you all to help me by taking part in the evaluation, and by sending me your latest news so that I can include them in the newsletter.

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AN UPDATE ABOUT YOURSELF

In this section, we ask our graduates, instructors and teaching assistants to share with us interesting events and projects that they have undertaken, which might have nothing to do with their teaching or studies. We encourage graduates to send us your items and also to contact the contributors if you are interested in following up any aspect. To begin with, here are two contributions.

Mr. Jason Ma
(2002 graduate)

Mr. Erwin Lau
Teaching Assistant

I am the Chief Executive Officer of Titanium Technology <http://www.titanium-tech.com/>. I am responsible for formulating business and growth strategies for the Group. I also spend a fair amount of time on the capital market and investor relationship areas as we have recently been publicly listed in overseas market. Our company deals with many areas related to identity management and authentication. We have become known worldwide for our development and research products in face recognition, finger print authentication, intelligence recognition, finger print authentication, intelligence efficiency. We deal in a variety of product categories, e.g. numismatics, holiday membership, technology and lifestyle, etc.

I have joined QuestNet Ltd <http://www.quest.net> as Head of IT and Regional Management in developing and implementing the corporation’s long-range IT strategy to deliver e-commerce and e-business capabilities. I also manage the information and communication technology center of excellence in support of the Multi-Level Marketing (MLM) business, lineage and genealogy management system and SAP/ERP system to optimize the operations efficiency. We deal in a variety of product categories, e.g. numismatics, holiday membership, technology and lifestyle, etc.

PROGRAMME OFFICE UPDATES

ECom-IComp Experts Address

The ECom-IComp experts address series is designed primarily to keep students and alumni of our programme up-to-date with the information technology and electronic business trends around the world.

Peter Looms started the series off for the new academic year of 2006-7 by presenting on September 27 his recent work on mobile TV in Denmark. He gave a critical review of some of the findings of 1P datacast trials and services in Europe.

In November, Professor Roger Clarke presented his talk on “What’s google up to?”. His presentation outlines Google’s many lines of interesting businesses, commencing with the content-discovery cluster, moving onto the content services cluster, and culminating in the accumulation of data about Google’s users.

Dr Renato Iannella gave the talk “Moving Towards the Policy-Aware Web”, which was about his new project in National ICT Australia (NICTA) on November 10.

We posted the slides and video recording to our web site. http://www.ecom-icom.hku.hk/seminar/

Continual Professional Development (CPD) Courses

Graduates are welcome to enroll in MSc(ECom&IComp) modules for continuing and professional development purpose. Information about CPD courses is published on the programme web site in September, December, and May. Watch out for our email notification if you are interested!

Graduate Directory

To stay in touch with the Programme and with your fellow graduates, the Programme Office provides a graduate directory for you to update your contact information and look for other graduates. So don’t forget to tell us if you have moved, changed your telephone number or email address. You could check to make sure that your information is correct and up-to-date. http://www.ecom-icom.hku.hk/graduate-info/

ADMISSION 2007

We are now inviting applications for 2007 September admissions. Updated information can be found in the programme web site and brochure. If your friends or colleagues are interested in our programme, please ask them to contact the Programme Office.

MSC(ECOM&ICOMP) 2006 GRADUATES

Congratulations to 2006 graduates on meeting their challenge!

Mr. Cai Dongjun
Miss Chan Siu Fan
Mr. Cheng Man Hang
Mr. Cheng Yee Chung
Mr. Cheung Ngim
Mr. Chiu Sin Fu Aries
Miss Choi Ho Wan Nancy
Ms. Choi Lai Wan Rossa
Mr. Choi Shun Him
Mr. Chong Chit Ming
Mr. Chui Sze Wei
Mr. Ho Wai Kei Ricky
Mr. Kong Fu Sing Louis
Mr. Kwan Cheuk Shing Jackson
Mr. Kwong Pui Ming
Mr. Lai Sang Keung William
Mr. Lam Wai Peng
Mr. Lau Shi Tong
Mr. Law Yuet Wing
Mr. Lee Ka Wai Spencer
Mr. Leung Chin Hung Anthony
Mr. Leung Eric
Mr. Leung Kwok Kuen
Mr. Leung Yiu Keung
Miss Li Hing Wai
Mr. Ling Chun
Mr. Lo Chung Yin Gary
Mr. Lo Hing Tak
Mr. Ma Man Kin
Ms Ma Yiu Hing
Mr. Ming Chin Pang
Mr. Mok Chi Chiu
Mr. Mok Shek Wai Johnny
Mr. Ng Kong Lam
Mr. Ng Tsui Chiu
Mr. Ngai Yuen Keung
Mr. O’Young Tisen
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Mr. So Yat Hung
Mr. Sum Siu Cheong
Mr. Tang King Sum Kevin
Mr. Tang Wing Ching Billy
Mr. To Cheuk Ming
Mr. Tsang Tak Lun
Mr. Tsui Cho Sui
Mr. Wai Lok Man Geoffrey
Mr. Wong Chi Wai
Mr. Wong Ching Chiu
Miss Wong Wai Hang Clare
Mr. Yau Chun Wai
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Mr. Yip Sun
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Mr. Yip Wing Tat
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