Dear Nathan,

Welcome to the Institute’s quarterly electronic newsletter. It's been a busy fall, and we’d like to thank everyone for their participation and interest in our events. As always, feel free to pass the newsletter along to your own contacts and encourage them to be a part of our future activities. Thanks for your interest in the Institute and Happy Holidays!

20th Vincentian Business Ethics Conference

From October 17th-19th, the Institute and DePaul University hosted the 20th Annual International Vincentian Business Ethics Conference. With almost 100 attendees at the academic conference and over 150 for the corporate plenary session, the conference was a lively weekend of presentations and discussion.

The corporate plenary session, held on Friday, October 18th, was meant to bring together both the academic and the business practitioner in the field of ethics to explore the topic of "Corporate Governance in the 21st Century." It featured several great speakers including, Kathy Hannan, the National Managing Partner of Corporate Responsibility and Diversity at KPMG, LLP, speaking on how "Purpose, people and principles drive value in the 21st century;" Anne Pramaggiore, President and CEO at ComEd speaking on "The Purpose Driven Company;" Stephen Williams, former General Counsel and Chief Legal Officer at Unilever exploring the question of "Do Corporations go Heaven When They Die?" and C. Rich Panico, Founder and CEO of Integrated Project Management Co, Inc. (IPM), speaking on "Naked Leadership." Mr. Panico was also the first recipient of the Institute's Annual International Award for Corporate Ethics and Excellence. His company, IPM, is a standard bearer for ethical practices set in motion and Mr. Panico's tenacious adherence to a strong code of values for
his company makes IPM the perfect candidate for our inaugural award.

Sustainability Roundtable

The Institute's second Business Ethics Executive Roundtable took place on November 8th, focusing on issues of sustainability and how companies are addressing them in today's marketplace. These Roundtables are meant to be intimate discussions amongst high level executives in the relevant field to explore questions of ethics. The participants in this most recent Roundtable included:

- William Brady, Director of Corporate Environmental Strategy, Exelon
- Rick Cecero, COO, Mercy Hospital and Medical Centers
- Ron Loch, Principal/Managing Director, Sustainability Consulting Practice, Gibbs & Soell Business Communications
- Ron Meissen, Senior Director of Sustainability, Baxter International
- Mike Nicholus, Global Operations Environmental Director, Accenture
- Michelle Parker, VP, Great Lakes and Sustainability, Shedd Aquarium
- Jonah Smith, Sustainability Manager, Policy and Reporting, MillerCoors, LLC

The lively conversation spanned a number of topics, including how to drive sustainable innovation through investors and consumers, the commerce of ecology, and the correlation between sustainability in the workplace and sustainability in the home, to just name a few. We also started a new format with this most recent Roundtable and invited a few key faculty and student leaders in the field of sustainability to observe and participate in a limited capacity. We would like to thank all who joined us, both as participants and audience members—the morning was a wonderful success!

Big Questions WTTW- Chicago Debut
We are thrilled to announce that Big Questions made its Chicagoland television debut this fall, with our episode on the Syrian refugee crisis in Jordan airing on WTTW in September. Pat Werhane and Kim Clark spend time with those living in the Zataari refugee camp, which houses almost 150,000 people, of which over half are children. They also speak with aid workers and government officials working to alleviate the situation. For those who missed the broadcast, the program can be viewed at AskingBigQuestions.com. We anticipate the full series being shown in late 2014. So keep an eye out here for more information!

Developing Sustainable Strategies Lab

Following the merger of the DePaul Sustainability Network with the Institute, Senior Wicklander Fellow Ron Nahser has developed the Developing Sustainable Strategies Lab.

Based on the Capstone Practicum from DePaul's innovative, interdisciplinary M.S. in Sustainable Management program, the Developing Sustainable Strategies Lab is specifically created for business professionals who are grappling with key initiatives, opportunities and issues regarding sustainability in their organizations. The objective of this project-based course is to stimulate thinking about a critical organizational challenge, and shift the focus from a narrow view on sustainability to a broader framework for building integrative sustainable management practices within a competitive context. See their web page for more information about the program and how to apply.

Recent Publications & Media Mentions


Pat Werhane interviewed by Bill Moller on WGN Radio about international aid.

**Business and Professional Ethics Journal**

Mollie Painter-Morland, Editor-in-Chief

The *Business and Professional Ethics Journal* is a peer-reviewed forum for interdisciplinary research that explores the systemic causes of ethical challenges in business and professional life. The Journal is published in cooperation with the Institute for Business and Professional Ethics. The upcoming issue will feature a practitioner contribution from Institute board member C. Rich Panico, adapted from his Vincentian Corporate Morning presentation.

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**HSBC Scholarship- 2013-2015 Winners**

We would also like to congratulate our new HSBC Business Ethics Scholarship recipients for the 2013-2015, Ricardo Midence, a Junior Business Management (Entrepreneurship) major, and Wesley Wooten, a Junior Marketing major.

Thanks for reading and be sure to check us out on Facebook and LinkedIn for up to date announcements and articles of interest!

Sincerely,

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