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Dear SIPA Alumni,

With the faculty off conducting research, and the majority of students undertaking life-changing internships around the world, the summer months in the halls of SIPA appear quiet. SIPA Alumni Affairs, however, is hard at work organizing our 2010-2011 alumni programming. Exciting events in the fall await you.

For our alumni living in Latin America, Dean Coatsworth will be visiting the region to host an alumni reception in Bogotá, Colombia in late September. His talk will focus on Latin America's relationship with the United States under the Obama Administration. (*Details forthcoming.*)

SIPA Professor Ken Prewitt will be meeting with SIPA graduates on October 21 in San Francisco, California. For those planning a trip to Napa Valley, be sure to loop back to town to the City Club of San Francisco for a lively evening of intellectual discussion and socializing. (*Details forthcoming.*)

Our largest alumni populations - based in NYC and DC - have a busy year ahead. In between happy hours, cultural events, and SIPA policy forums, alumni will have ample time to get to know each other. For a more detailed description of alumni events in your area, be sure to check your local CAA Club [here](#).

We hope that you are enjoying your holidays, and we look forward to seeing you in the fall.

SIPA Office Alumni Affairs

News at SIPA

Jean-Marie Guéhenno Named New Director of the Center for International Conflict Resolution

SIPA has announced the appointment of Jean-Marie Guéhenno, the Arnold A. Saltzman Professor of Professional Practice in International and Public Affairs, to lead its Center for International Conflict Resolution. A distinguished scholar and former senior official in the UN and French government, including as the longest-serving head of UN peace-keeping, Guéhenno has been at the forefront of efforts to address the conflicts of Africa and strategic challenges from Afghanistan to Kosovo and Georgia. [More](#)

SIPA Agrees to Host Energy Students from Portugal

Beginning in 2011, SIPA will host each fall semester nearly two dozen students from Portugal's Instituto Universitário de Lisboa's Business School (ISCTE). The students, from ISCTE Business School's MBA program in energy systems, will enroll in energy-related courses at SIPA, such as those offered through the

school's Energy and Environment concentration in collaboration with SIPA's Center for Energy, Marine Transportation and Public Policy. [More](#).

SIPA Professor Scott Barrett Publishes Paper on Climate Change Timetables in *Global Policy*

In the paper, "[Contrasting Future Paths for an Evolving Global Climate Regime](#)," Professor Barrett and Michael Toman explore two concepts of potentially increasing cooperation among nations in battling climate change: the establishment of targets and timetables, and loosely coordinated smaller scale agreements.

SIPA Professor Thurman Returns to SIPA after Teaching in Moscow

Professor [Paul Thurman](#) is back at SIPA after a year teaching at Moscow's Skolkovo Business School. "Young students in Russia, just like anywhere else, like to challenge ideas ... but (are) most difficult to teach subjects like business strategy," Thurman recalls. "For many, many years, strategy in this country belonged to one man." More from [The Moscow News](#).

SIPA United Nations Studies Program Newsletter Recaps Challenging Year

Under the direction of [Elisabeth Lindenmayer](#), the **United Nations Studies Program** at SIPA promotes teaching, training, and career development in the pursuit of multilateral solutions to global dilemmas. The program brings together scholars and practitioners to address the main priorities of the UN. Read about the program's many accomplishments as well as students' direct experiences during the earthquake in Haiti in their newsletter [here](#).

Highlights of Upcoming Events and Programs

9/1/10 NYC: Columbia Alumni Association at the US Open

Come join fellow alumni at the US Open and watch two second-round matches after you enjoy food and drinks (open beer/wine bar) with fellow alumni at CAA's on-site hospitality area. Tennis action begins at 7:00 p.m. and will run until approximately 11:00 p.m. For more information, click [here](#).

9/15/10 NYC: Networking Drinks at the [Boat Basin](#) (6:30 - 8:30pm)

Details are forthcoming.

9/16/10 DC: Networking Drinks in the Nation's Capital (6:00 - 8:00pm)

Save the date. Join fellow alumni to reconnect after the long summer months. Stay tuned for details.

9/29/10 London: An Evening with Columbia Dean [Michele Moody-Adams](#)

Professor Moody Adams is Dean of Columbia College and Henry L. and Lucy G. Moses Professor, Vice President for Undergraduate Education, and Joseph Straus Professor of Political Philosophy and Legal Theory in Columbia's Philosophy Department. For more information, click [here](#).

Alumni Career Programs & Events

SIPAlink

SIPA's Office of Career Services (OCS) encourages you to use **SIPAlink**, an online recruitment database. Follow the links below for online job and internship postings, employer information sessions, and much more. Some recent jobs are highlighted below. Register to find out more: <https://www.myinterfase.com/cusipa/student/>.

- Global Markets Senior Marketing Manager, (*HSBC*) - New York City, US
- Associate, Development & Outreach, (*Human Rights Watch*) - London, UK
- Director, Country Relations Manager, (*Teach for All*) - Buenos Aires, Argentina

Please see **SIPALink** for more detailed descriptions and application instructions alerts and industry updates, and have the option to be searched by employers.

United Nations National Competitive Examination

A competitive examination will be held on **Wednesday, December 1, 2010**, in the following disciplines: Administration; Demography; Economics; Human Rights; Legal Affairs; Radio Producer; Security; Statistics; Web Design/Development. If you believe in the purposes of the United Nations and meet the minimum requirements to participate in the competitive examination, we encourage you to apply. **The deadline to apply is Sunday, September 19, 2010.** Detailed information on the examination and submission of application may be obtained from the United Nations Secretariat careers portal at <http://careers.un.org> under National Competitive Recruitment Examination.

Recent Alumni Events

6/23/10 Istanbul: Multi-University Happy Hour

The Columbia University Club of Turkey held a Multi-University Happy Hour in Istanbul. More than 100 people were in attendance. For information on the Club's activities, click [here](#).

6/24/10 DC: SIPA DC Policy Forum Discussion on America's Role in Sustainable Development

More than 50 people attended the thought-provoking Policy Forum, "What is America's Role in Sustainable Development?" held at the University Club of Washington, DC. Stay tuned for more DC networking opportunities this fall.

6/27/10 Shanghai: The CU Club of Shanghai held a BBQ for Columbia alumni and their families.

6/27/10 NYC: IMAC Alumni Dinner with Director Anya Schiffrin

About 25 students, alumni, and faculty from the International Media, Advocacy and Communications specialization (IMAC) met on a warm night in June for Thai food in Chelsea. The event was organized by the IMAC director, Anya Schiffrin, with support from the alumni office, and announced through our Facebook group. Alumni, who spanned the last 20 years, are writing books and working at the AP and Council on Foreign Relations, among other places. Over pad thai and white wine, they discussed writing, travel around the world, and life in public relations.

7/7/10 Brussels: Columbia Club of Belgium World Cup Party

Columbia alumni in Belgium watched the World Cup semi-final match with fellow Columbians and friends. For more information on this club, click [here](#).

7/8/10 NYC: ISP Network Hosts Dinner Conversation with China Expert Daniel H. Rosen

More than 40 SIPA alumni attended a dinner conversation on "China's Growth Outlook Amidst Uncertainty" given by SIPA Adjunct Professor **Daniel H. Rosen**, an economic advisor specializing in China's development. The talk was moderated by B. Gerard Dages, senior vice president in the Emerging Markets and International Affairs Group of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

7/24/10 NYC: The Fifth Annual CAA Picnic

The fifth Annual CAA Picnic brought together fellow alumni, families, and guests on campus for a fun-filled day with activities for adults and children of all ages. For more information, click [here](#).

7/27/10 Switzerland: CU Club of Switzerland Alumni Happy Hour

The Columbia Club of Switzerland and alumni from Georgetown, Penn, and Brown Universities met at Café Delux in Geneva for a happy hour event. For more club info, click [here](#).

8/4/10 NYC: EMPA Alumni Happy Hour

Over 40 EMPA alumni met at Ulysses Folk House for fun summer networking.

Alumni Notes

Have you logged onto [Alumni Connection](#) yet to update your [class note](#)? What are you waiting for! All you need is your UNI and Password. (If you forgot them, you can access them [here](#).) Below are some recent postings. Post your note today and stay connected with more than 16,000 alumni in 155 countries.

Gabriella (Dahlstrom) Barschdorff (MIA '99) recently met up with SIPA graduates, Rebecca Engel (MIA 2000) and Tara Rangarajan (nee Gruzen, MIA 1999), in Saigon, Vietnam. Gabriella lives in New York with her husband and children and works at JPMorgan.

Dan Perez, (MPA '10) has accepted a position as a senior consultant with Booz Allen Hamilton in the Washington, DC metro area, where he will develop strategy and policy for government clients.

Giving to SIPA

Through contributions to SIPA's annual fund, donations for student fellowships, or participation in SIPA's annual global leadership awards dinner, you can help to foster the link between academic excellence and the practice of public policy that makes SIPA unique. For information on how you can contribute to SIPA's mission, please visit: http://www.sipa.columbia.edu/about_sipa/giving_to_sipa.html.

SIPA's annual fund surpassed its goal of \$400,000 by raising at least \$417,509 -- a record -- from 1,322 donors. It's the first time that the fund has broken the \$400,000 mark, and an increase from FY09, when the fund raised \$387,539 from 1,176 donors. Final figures are still pending and could be even higher.

SIPA's annual fund is the School's chief vehicle to engage the broad base of our alumni in supporting SIPA. It is a critical piece of the School's fund-raising strategy, which also involves solicitations of significant gifts from large donors. One hundred percent of the gifts raised by SIPA's annual fund support the education of SIPA students.

Create a lasting contribution by making a donation to SIPA today!

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