



## Message from the DEAN

WELCOME TO THE inaugural edition of *E&B Connect*, the magazine for alumni of the University of Sydney's Faculty of Economics and Business!

This quarterly publication provides you with all the latest news from the Faculty, including highlights of our research and the achievements of our students and staff. In every edition we will also be profiling some of our 20,000 graduates around the world, such as high-profile Australian company director John Studdy (see page 4), and keeping you informed about recent events held for and by alumni.

As Dean, one of my primary goals is to engage more closely with our alumni, including those who may have lost touch with us in recent years. I want all our graduates to feel a sense of pride in their Faculty and a sense of belonging within the alumni community. To that end, we hold a range of functions, seminars and networking events to give alumni the opportunity to reconnect with the Faculty, University and their former classmates. We also plan to provide updates on recent developments in each academic discipline, both in the pages of this magazine and in a planned series of lectures, in an effort to provide opportunities for lifelong learning.

On their part, alumni can play a vital role in helping the Faculty achieve its mission of being recognised as a leading business school in Australia and the Asia-Pacific region. Many of our graduates hold senior leadership positions in the business and professional communities. By partnering with them, we can ensure that our teaching and research stays relevant to the modern world of work. Our graduates also have an important role to play at University events such as careers days, where they can pass on their wisdom and experience to current students.

I look forward to keeping in touch with you regularly in 2008 and I hope you will send us your feedback on your new alumni magazine. Meanwhile, I wish you all the very best for Christmas and the holiday season. I hope you have a safe, healthy and prosperous New Year.

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