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Peter Wrampe, Editor

Ready for your next Corporate Board position?

Jacques de Jaeger and Joanna Peters

Co-Chairs IERG Board Resourcing Committee

We are delighted to announce a new and valuable IERG program, *IERG Board Resourcing*, which will match interested member candidates with corporate board positions listed with IERG. We are currently rolling out this proprietary service in a Beta testing phase and ask those of you who are interested in future board opportunities, to revisit your profiles to make sure that you are included in future searches.

If you decide to be included, you will need a) to indicate your willingness to participate in future board searches and b) to update your profile attributes so they can be used in the matching process. You can satisfy both requirements by logging into your profile at www.iergonline.org, clicking the edit button on your profile, and completing the new additional profile information needed to participate in this program.

We hope you are excited about this new, valuable membership feature.

With thanks to the IERG Board Resourcing Committee, Jacques de Jager and Joanna Peters (CoChairs), George Farina, John Hamerlinck, Christian Michel, Kim Ruyle, Steve Walton, Ruth Bardos

8 New Members in October

Please reach out and welcome them!

Name /Email-Link	<u>Chapter</u>	<u>Phone</u>	Sponsor
Maik Breckwoldt	Chicago	417-388-2480	John Hallahan
Stephen Cassell	Connecticut	860-480-4418	Janet Walsh
Henry Gomez	Florida	954-736-0346	Fred Suarez
Tiffany Hardy	Virtual	480-848-6268	John Hamerlinck
Tony Patao	Florida	305-790-9721	Fred Suarez
Peter Swanson	Florida	954-242-1777	Albin Trein
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Lihong Wu	Dallas	469-559-2669	John Lowe

66 New Members YTD

We need YOUR help to reach 100 by Year's End!

George Wasilczyk - IERG Value Proposition #4

There are many elements of the IERG Value Proposition you can highlight when you are recruiting business colleagues to join.

4. Ability to reach membership through "for your information" postings

FYI postings are a win-win for both the individual posting and for the IERG membership. Postings could include upcoming non-IERG events of interest to our membership, issues/business opportunities in a particular market, etc. The IERG directory is ideal for many types of communications, and the FYI posting capability provides considerable value to our membership.

IERG Chicago Marquee Event

7th International Forum

"Women In International Leadership"

- What challenges are female leaders facing in today's global business climate?
- What are the opportunities?
- How does a country or region's culture affect a woman's ability to lead a multi-national business?
- What is the history of female corporate leadership?
- What does the future hold and what lessons and insights can seasoned executives give to the next generation of female leadership?

Event details and registration:

https://ierg.memberclicks.net/women-in-international-leadership

Member News

- <u>Christine Baird</u> shared an interesting article on France's real estate market on her blog http://tinyurl.com/y9fxpwac
- Congratulations to <u>Linda Fonner</u> for passing the Certified Public Accounting exam in March 2017 and obtaining her CPA license in the state of Pennsylvania.

Additionally, Linda has passed the Certified Fraud Examiner exam and obtained her CFE license in July 2017. As Linda always says, in order to be successful, one must continually reinvent themselves!

• Suzanne Garber

Suz continues her quest to bring about holistic change to the US healthcare system by showing her film, "GAUZE: Unraveling Global Healthcare" at venues such as the Union League in Philadelphia, the ITIC conference in Barcelona and to the IERG Global Leadership Series of webinars. She is also featured in the October/November 2017 issue of Mensa Magazine.

• Richard Guha

The finals of Venture Clash, determining the "10 Best Start-ups in the world were held on Friday, October 20th. The grand prize winners, mentored and sponsored by Rich were FRISS, from the Netherlands, Davra, from Ireland, were mine, and a special award winner, Tellspec, from Canada/UK, was also "his".

On October 23rd, Richard moderated a panel of Oxford and Cambridge University entrepreneurs in the US for the NYC Cambridge alumni entrepreneur Chapter.

Qaisar Shareef - "When Tribesmen Came Calling:
Building an Enduring American Business in Pakistan" is a
recently published memoir by Blue Ear Books.

In commenting on Amazon about this Qaisar S, John Pepper former CEO and Chairman of Procter & Gamble says: "This is the most informing, often inspiring memoir I have ever read describing the tortuous path to developing a business in a challenged, developing Third World country."

For more readers' comments and reviews about the book on Amazon https://tinyurl.com/When-Tribesmen-came-calling

IERG Thought Leadership

Simon Turner – BREXIT continued...

The October timenoint to review progress

The October timepoint to review progress has passed and it is now clear, if it wasn't before, that the Brexit negotiations have little to do with the economics of either the UK-EU relationship or trade and everything to do with politics. The flaring up of the secession movement in the Catalan region of Spain has reinforced the view that the EU's position is that leaving the Union must be punished to dissuade others.

I have previously suggested that a hard Brexit is a real possibility that should be prepared for. Both sides have woken up to that fact, with the UK viewing it as a means of improving their bargaining position after the EU made no reciprocal movement to the UK concessions and the EU viewing it as prudent given the divided UK position being presented to them. A 'No Deal' hard Brexit currently looks like the most likely outcome.

Mark Your Calendar

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	Event	Topic and Registration link	
Nov			
6	CT Chapter Speaker Event	The GDPR: What Europe's new Data Privacy Rules mean for Global Businesses	
7	Boston Chapter Event	Event Details	
8	IERG Leadership Webinar	Getting the Deal Done Right: Cultural Fit in M&A	
14	Chicago Chapter 7 th International Forum	Women In International Leadership	
Dec			
7	Denver Chapter Meeting	IERG Networking and Party	
8	CT Chapter Breakfast	Bi-monthly Friday's Networking Breakfast Meeting	
13	IERG Leadership Webinar	Online Reputation Management	
Jan			
9	CT Chapter Evening Event	CT Chapter Evening Event-January 2018	
10	IERG Leadership Webinar	Investigating the Building Blocks of Artificial Intelligence, AI, the Three Step Process Webinar	

Note: All events as per the IERG Calendar as of October 30th, 2017