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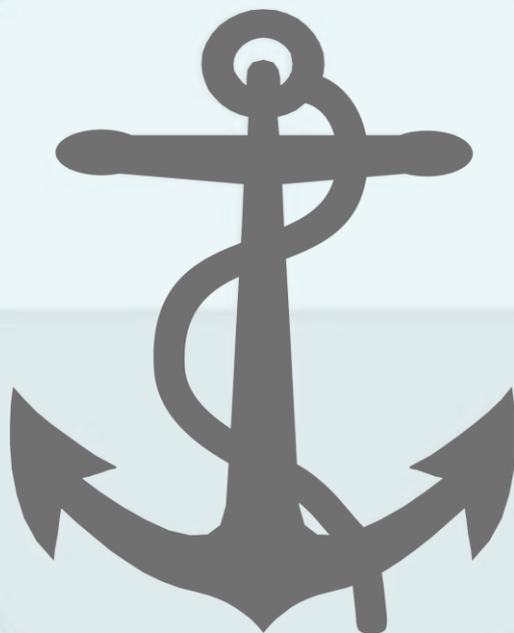
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Editorial

Welcome to 2021

Hopefully we are now past the worst of COVID-19. With the number of vaccinated people in the World growing each day countries should slowly come back to 'normal' times.

At the end of this month the Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit Committee will meet to review how COVID-19 is likely to affect travel to the UK at the end of September. If it believes the UK may be opened up to people to travel to it by the end of September it will continue marketing our Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit.

The Institute of Management Specialists is 50 years old this year. To celebrate the IMS Golden Jubilee it has organised with the St Clements Business School, Ecole de Commerce SCPU, to offer a dual Doctor of Applied Management award. Selected International Managers will be invited by the IMS to join the program and a limited number will be offered a £5000 Scholarship to study the program. At the end of the program they will receive Life Companion Membership of the IMS and their Ecole de Commerce SCPU Doctor of Applied Management degree.

The main challenge for 2020 for St Clements University was preparing the online licensing application for St Clements University (T&C). This application was presented to the Ministry of Education in November but in mid December we were told the Higher Education Advisory Committee, which advises the Ministry on such applications, needed new members who would be appointed in January. The Committee had not been re-appointed in January and as of Friday the 17th February a new government was elected to govern the Turks and Caicos Islands. Appointing members to a Higher Education Advisory Committee is not one of their first priorities.

What have you been doing?

If you are a graduate from St Clements Education Group '**Anchor**' would like to do an article about you and your career, help you may have given your community or success in your business. Stories about the success in our Alumni help motivate our students to study.

With the roll-out of COVID-19 vaccinations the St Clements University campuses should be gradually re-opening in 2021.



Dr David Le Cornu
President - St Clements Education Group

St Clements Education Group's New Bank Account

In November 2020 St Clements Education Group opened a New Bank Account with the AfrAsia Bank Ltd situated in Port Louis, Republic of Mauritius. This account has multi sub-accounts in USD, CHF, Euro, Sterling and NZD. This will give students five different currencies they can pay their fees in. In late 2019 the Board decided to centralize the group banking and widen the currency option students could pay with. The problem was with COVID-19 where the staff of most banks started working from home and committees which approved the opening of new accounts stopped meeting. This delayed the opening of this new account for most of 2020.

“The Europa World of Learning”

St Clements Institute has become listed in “The Europa World of Learning”, a Routledge publication and is the second main publication of degree institutions books. A “hard copy” of the book is \$AU2835 and printed yearly where the main book, the IAU/UNESCO endorsed book of international universities is published once every two years.

Vice President Taylor confirms her attendance at the 2021 September/October Silver Jubilee Summit

Vice President Howard-Taylor has confirmed her plans to attend and speak at the St Clements University Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit. Having a Vice head of State attend and address the Summit will help make it a world class event.

Dual Degree Agreement signed with Pegaso International

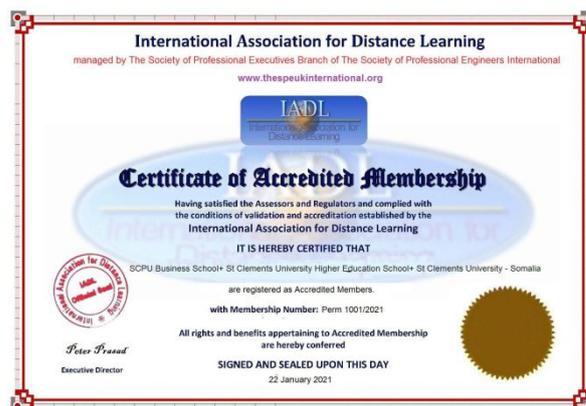
A dual degree agreement has been signed between St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue and Pegaso International Ltd. Pegaso International Ltd is a Malta based private university which offers a range of Business, Computing and Engineering programs. Students, via this option, will have the opportunity to study with St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue to earn a European Union degree for the work as well.

New Dual Award Agreement

International Studies Ltd, in co-operation with Instituto Tecnico Superiore has signed a Dual Degree Agreement with St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue. Students will study a 2 year program with International Studies Ltd with Instituto Tecnico Superiore which is their Diploma de Tecnico and a St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue Associate of Engineering degree.

International Association for Distance Learning (IADL) - Update

SCPU Business School, St Clements University Higher Education School and St Clements University – Somalia have had their accredited membership renewed. Below is the Certificate of Accredited Membership. The IADL has been amalgamated with the Society of Professional Engineers International.



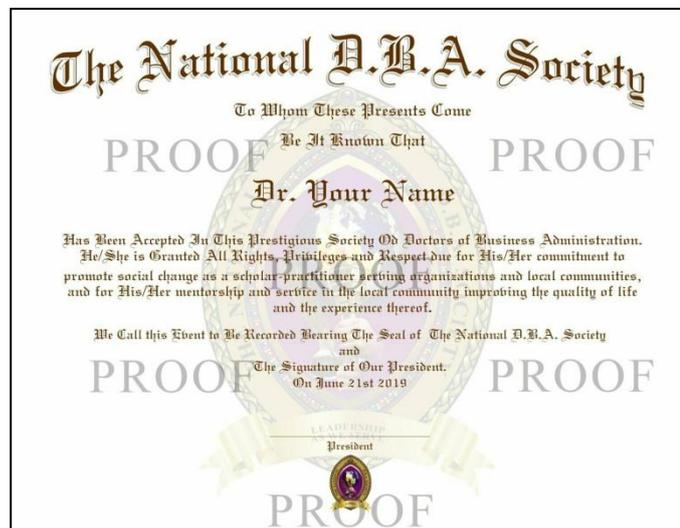
Memorandum of Understanding signed with Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science

On the 15th of January, a Memorandum of Understanding was signed between St Clements University and the Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science. In this Agreement members of the Beyt Nahrin Mesopotamian Academy of Arts and Science will be given “fair” access to having articles published in “Veritas”. Alumni who have written a research thesis (Masters) or dissertation (Doctorate) will be eligible for Associate and Fellow membership. The bodies will work together to develop several programs to research Mesopotamian history and culture. Mesopotamia is the name of what is arguably the oldest civilisation in the world, extending from Turkey to Iran. The CEO – Professor Dr Kemal Yildirim has been appointed onto our International Academic Advisory Council.

ATTENTION GRADUATES

Doctor of Business Management Doctor of Business Administration Doctor of Letters on a Business Topic Doctor of Philosophy on a Business Topic

The National D.B.A. Society based in Charlotte, North Carolina has agreed to accept St Clements University and Ecole de Commerce SCPU Doctoral Graduates of a Business oriented degree for membership of The National D.B.A. Society. www.dbasociety.org



The National D.B.A. Society

A Doctor of Business Administration Professional Association

Our Mission Statement

- *To Facilitate the Networking, Publishing, Business Lifecycle Needs, and Continuing Education of Our Membership.*
- *To Promote Social Change as Scholar-Practitioners Serving Organizations within Our Local Communities.*
- *To Increase the Brand Awareness Applicable to the Degree of a Doctor of Business Administration.*
- *To Serve as Subject Matter Experts in Our Field of Practice.*

The cost to become a member is USD100. For details of how to become a member please visit <https://www.dbasociety.org/become-a-member>

Professional Organisations News

Institute of Management Specialists Golden Jubilee Year

The Institute of Management Specialists is celebrating 50 years of existence this year. It was the first professional body established by Professor Herbert (Bert) Manners in 1971. This was the beginning of an era where people started seeing the need for professional bodies in a number of new profession areas. Many of these bodies formed between 1970 and 1990 have ceased to exist but the Institute of Management Specialists has been one of the more successful bodies. St Clements Education Group over the past 15 years has developed a close working relationship with the Institute. Professor Manners went on to establish five professional bodies during his career but the IMS was always the centrepiece of his network.

It is expected that this year the IMS will hold one or two special events to celebrate its Golden Jubilee. This Golden Jubilee year would be a good year for St Clements Alumni eligible to join the IMS to consider doing so. While the Institute of Management Specialists is twice the age of St Clements University it is the UK professional body St Clements University works closely with.

Union of International Associations

This is the main international association NGO's and other associations particularly professional bodies, work within. It was formed in 1907 under the name Central Office of International Associations. It has consultative status with both ECOSOC and UNESCO. One of the bodies which are listed in their list of affiliated organisations is the Institute of Manufacturing, which is a professional body which works closely with St Clements Education Group.

Association of Accredited Certification Bodies

This is the professional body for organisations which accredit and certifies various services. It has two grades – Member and Associate Member organisations. At this stage it appears to be an Australian based body with 25 members including Assure Quality Ltd. AUS – QUAL, Australian Quality Certification, Global Emergency Medical Registry, Sustainable Certification Global Mark. There does not appear to be a global organisation for accreditation and certification bodies at this stage.

European Institute of Financial Directors

Dr Simon Grima is the current President of this body. It was established to set the standards of knowledge, skills and certification for financial directors in the European Union, Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and other countries. It offers the following membership grades:

Associate: This grade is for holders of a Masters degree or equivalent and have at least five years of relevant experience. Associates can apply for Fellowship grade after three years.

Fellow: This grade is for holders of a Masters degree (generally MBA graduates) and have at least five years of relevant experience. Fellows can upgrade to Doctoral Fellow by taking the EIFD Doctoral Diploma.

Doctoral Fellows: This grade is for those candidates who hold a Ph.D/DBA, or the EIFD Doctoral Diploma, and have at least five years of relevant experience.

Direct Entry: Holders of an MBA or equivalent can claim direct entry at the Fellowship level. It accepts members of other recognised professional bodies on an equivalent basis. The Institute of Professional Financial Managers is one such recognised professional body.

The EIFD is accredited by the Latvian Ministry of Education (EU Member State).

Institute of Professional Financial Managers

This body has over 10,000 members from more than 40 countries with recognised membership agents in 30 various countries. It runs a convocation in London each year where members can meet and network with other members. At this event they can receive any membership awards they are entitled to. Due to COVID-19 the 2020 event was cancelled but it is planned, subject to the success of the current vaccination campaign being carried out in the UK, to hold the event on the Saturday 2nd October 2021 at the Holiday Inn London - Kensington Forum. The IPFM was the first UK professional body to accept St Clements University for membership and the first St Clements University graduates co-shared the IPFM graduation event. St Clements University graduates of a Finance oriented degree are encouraged to join this body.

St Clements University Silver Jubilee Leadership Summit

St Clements University as part of its Silver Jubilee celebrations will be holding a Leadership Summit in London on the new proposed date of **Thursday 30th September** and **Friday the 1st October 2021**. This event will be held at the **Hilton London Euston Hotel**.



The summit will be held over 2 days following the subject areas:

- The Direction of World Politics for the next 25 years
(Two different speakers will present papers on this)
- Networking in the 21st Century
- Growth in Africa in the next 25 years
- How to Lobby – the skills managers need
- International Politics of Buddhism
- Digital Marketing in today's world
- Talk about the future of London as a City
- Future International Financial Challenges



This summit is co-sponsored by the Academy of Executives and Administrators. They will be launching their Life Senior, Fellow and Doctoral Fellow Awards at the event.

The price is USD\$3750. This is a limited Leadership Summit.



Please email the administration at admin@stclements.edu if you are interested in attending.

Other Universities News

Universidad Empresarial da Costa Rica

Universidad Empresarial da Costa Rica is also known as UNEM or Business University of Costa Rica and is a private university in the city of San Jose, Costa Rica. It is approved by the Consejo Nacional de Enseñanza Superior Universitaria Privada, the National Council of Higher Education of Costa Rica. UNEM is authorized by the Asesoría Legal del Ministerio de Educación No. ATJ-167-CONESUP to operate internationally, to offer international programs and to grant Bachelor's, Master's and Doctorate degrees with agreements with foreign universities. It was founded in 1992 as an international graduate school and gained Ministry of Education approval in 1997.

London Metropolitan University

This University was formed in 2002 when the University of North London merged with London Guildhall University. It is an amalgamation of a number of earlier education institutions, the first which was as classes for young men in 1848. In 1861 they were formalised into the City of London College teaching commercial and technical programs. In 1891 it joined Bilbeck Institute and Northampton Institute to form the City Politec. Thus further amalgamations have taken place until it became London Metropolitan University. This University offers the best priced option for people studying an Ecole de Commerce SCPU OFQUAL Diploma award to earn a UK Bachelor or Masters degree.

Xi'an International University

Xi'an International University is a private higher Institute of Education accredited by China's Ministry of Higher Education. It was founded in 1992 and has about 20,000 students and 1700 Faculty. It includes 8 Colleges offering 67 Majors and has 200,000 Alumni. It was founded in 1992 as a training college, in 1996 with the approval of the Shaana Provincial Peoples Government became one of the first private academic institutions in the Shaana Province to award Diplomas. In March 2000 it became a Vocational College, in 2005 the Chinese Government recognised it as an Undergraduate College and officially renamed it Xi'an International University.

Global University Systems

Global University Systems BV is a private company registered in the Netherlands, which owns a number of Universities:

The University of Law – the University of Law is one of the UK's longest established specialist providers of legal education. Its origins can be traced back to 1876. It has 13 campuses located around the UK.

Arden University – this University specialises in distance learning. It is the first dedicated distance learning University to be established in the UK since the Open University, 50 years ago.

Saba University – this University is a Medical School situated on the Caribbean island of Saba. The programs are designed for people wanting to practice Medicine in the US and Canada.

St Matthew's University – this Medical School is located on the British Grand Cayman Island. As well as Medicine it teaches Veterinary Practitioner programs.

University Canadian West – this institution teaches Business programs in Vancouver both on campus and online. It has a checkered history until Global University Systems took it over.

University of Applied Science Europe – this is a German University with campuses in Berlin, Hamburg and Iserlohn. It teaches Business, Psychology, Media, Sport and Creativity. There are a total of 25 institutions in the group. It is most international private University group in the world.

Hawaiian Universities - Update

When St Clements was registered in 1995 the centre of non-traditional education in the World was Hawaii. Over 200 higher education institutions were registered there in 1995. In 2005 there was a change of government in Hawaii and to remain schools had certain requirements to comply with eg.- recruit a minimum of 20 Hawaiian residents as students. The new Attorney General sued existing schools which in his opinion had misleading information in their advertisements. These fines were often in \$250,000 to \$500,000 levels. This led to most schools deregistering rather than paying their fines. All schools had to clearly state they were not accredited by an accreditation agent recognised by the US Department of Education and could not use their approval to operate in Hawaii in their promotional material. Two of the leading non-traditional Universities still listed in Hawaii are Atlantic International University and Akamai University. They are all that remains of the 200+ non-traditional schools registered in Hawaii.

Vale Dr Irving H. Buchen



BA, MA, Ph.D

In 2007 or 2008 at the Beverly Hilton in Los Angeles Dr Le Cornu first met Dr Buchen and he had been hired by the World Association of Colleges and Universities to help advise them on their recognition problems. He worked closely with the then president of WACU but unfortunately Dr Asher was very frugal with the money that needed to be spent to enable it to evolve.

When St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue decided to investigate applying to DEAC (Distance Education Accrediting Commission), it hired him as a consultant. In those days it was the Distance Education and Training Council. It had accredited the distance learning programs of a number of Australian, South African and Canadian universities. It saw accreditation of foreign schools as the way of the future. After much expenditure attending three different DETC conferences it became apparent that St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue could not apply for accreditation on it as all schools in the St Clements University group had to be included. This was not practical. It was also becoming obvious that DETC was losing interest in having foreign school listed with it. Other than one Canadian school its current memberships are all US based schools.

After this Dr Buchen became Dean of St Clements University Higher Education School - Niue, continued to serve on the Academic Council and tutored a number of Ph.D students. He was also a major contributor to 'Veritas' writing numerous articles for it.

Irving Herman Buchen, was born on September 6, 1930 in New York City. Son of Morris Buchen and Lucille Hochberg.

In 1955 he received a Bachelor, New York University, a Master of Arts, New York University in 1956, followed by a Doctor of Philosophy, Johns Hopkins University, 1960.

Dr Buchen's career achievements included: Instructor Pennsylvania State University, University Park, 1956. From instructor to professor Fairleigh Dickinson University, Madison, New Jersey, 1960-1979, chairman English department, 1974-1979, director division future, 1977-1979. Dean school humanities California State University, 1979-1984.

He was also Vice chancellor University Wisconsin, Stevens Point, 1984-1987. President Westfield (Massachusetts) State College, 1987-1988. Exchange professor University Southern California, Los Angeles, 1969. Consultant thematic studies John Jay College, New York City, 1975-1977. Research associate steering committee American Association State Colleges and Universities, Washington, 1983. Vice president then president California Council Fine Arts Deans, 1983-1985.

Irving Herman Buchen has been listed as a noteworthy university administrator by Marquis Who's Who.

Dr Buchen and his wife Devy Barnett had six children Nedda, ShelliRae, Shael, David, Jessica, Elan.

For the past several years St Clements had lost contact with him. Dr Le Cornu has only just found out that on the 20th of November, 2019, he had passed away. Many of our older graduates will remember him.

St Clements Alumni Appointed as an Accreditation Agency Consultant



Sir, Dr Christopher Oyat, a Doctor of Letters degree in Business Organization graduate from St Clements University, has been appointed by The Accreditation Agency Curacao (ACC) as one of their experts. He is a Fellow of Chartered Institute of Educational Assessors (FCIEA - UK), Fellow Chartered Educator (FCE - India & Spain), Fellow of Global Academy of Finance and Management (FGAFM - USA) and Fellow of The Royal Society for Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (FRSA - UK).

The Accreditation Agency Curacao (AAC) is an independent and professional Accrediting Agency of Higher Education located in Curacao. The AAC is officially recognized by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of the Government of Curacao.

The purpose of the AAC is the promotion of quality assurance in education and professional training. The AAC has been established to accredit degree programs at universities, universities of applied sciences, colleges and professional schools (bachelor, master and doctoral study programs) and higher education institutions in Curacao as well as abroad.

The AAC conducts procedures for the accreditation of educational programs in all disciplines (program accreditation) as well as procedures for the accreditation of educational institutions. Their processes are based on both the European and American standards.

The goal of the AAC is to ensure that institutions of higher education in the Caribbean, Latin America and around the world meet highest international recommended levels.

They are experts in quality assurance of full time, part time and distance learning and institutional accreditation.

AAC Standards are based on the following four principles for quality assurance:

- Higher education institutions have primary responsibility for the quality of their provision and its assurance.
- Quality assurance responds to the diversity of higher education systems, institutions, programs and students.
- Quality assurance supports the development of a quality culture.
- Quality assurance takes into account the needs and expectations of students, all other stakeholders and society.

The Accrediting Agency Curacao (AAC) is an independent agency which was established to promote, audit, and report on quality assurance in national and international higher education. It operates independently of governments and the higher education sector. The AAC was established in 2017, and formally recognized by the government of Curacao, with the responsibility to establish educational standards and accredit institutions and programs in higher education. The system for quality assurance and accreditation is designed to support continuing quality improvement and to publicly recognize programs and institutions that meet required quality standards. The standards and guidelines for quality assurance in the European Higher Education Area (ESG; 2015) are adopted by the AAC. The European Association for Quality Assurance in Higher Education (ENQA) developed these standards in co-operation with the European Students' Union (ESU), the European Association of Institutions in Higher Education (EURASHE) and the European University Association (EUA). The focus of the ESG is on quality assurance related to learning and teaching in higher education, including the learning environment and relevant links to research and innovation. In addition, institutions have policies and processes to ensure and improve the quality of their other activities, such as research and governance.

Vale Duncan Waiguchu Mwangi



BA, EMBA

Duncan Waiguchu Mwangi received his university education in USA from 1975 to 1980 when he returned to Kenya and started working with Ministry of Commerce and Industry as a Trade Officer and rapidly rose through the ranks to become Provincial Trade Officer.

He was also a Lecturer at Kiriri Women's University of Science and Technology in Kenya. Previously, he worked with the Kenyan Government as a Senior Assistant Director of Trade.

Duncan Mwangi holds a BA and took an early retirement after graduating with an EMBA from St Clements University and went to become a public policy expert and a lecturer on Development Economics at Karatina University - Kenya, a government public institution till his passing away in 2019. Karatina University is 150 kilometres away from Nairobi City.

He was very passionate about trade policies and issues and wrote well-researched articles on the same. Duncan contributed two articles for the Academic Journal of St Clements 'Veritas' the first titled "*Kenya's Investment Climate: Macro-Economic Analysis, Policies and Practices*" and then "*Policy Framework on Food Security in Kenya*".

May God rest his soul in eternal peace.

SCPU (St Clements Private University)

SCPU is a branch of St Clements University registered in the Swiss Canton of Vaud as a private university.

There are two systems of higher education in Switzerland; private and public. Switzerland, in particular the Lausanne area, has a proud tradition of private schools. SCPU as with most private universities in Switzerland is not accredited by the OAQ - Swiss National Authority as a State University.

The degree programs it teaches are taught in co-operation with international recognised professional bodies. It comprises three schools:

- Ecole de Commerce SCPU
- Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU
- Ecole de Theologie SCPU

SCPU offers degrees in co-operation with international professional qualification awarding bodies. These bodies include the Institute of Professional Financial Managers, Institute of Management Specialists, Academy of Executives and Administrators, Institute of Manufacturing and Faculty of Professional Business and Technical Management.

Ecole de Commerce SCPU is an ATHE Satellite Centre and its Bachelor and Master degree programs are based on completing a series of United Kingdom OFQUAL approved Diploma programs.

Ecole de Ingenieurs SCPU offers both a three year and four year Bachelor degree in various Engineering disciplines. The three year Bachelor of Technology in Engineering is designed to fulfill the Fellow education qualifications for the Singapore Institute of Engineering Technologists. The four year program incorporates a 'top-up' for SIET Fellows to become Professional members of the Societe Nationale des Ingenieurs Professionnels de France (SNIPF).

Ecole de Theologie SCPU programs are Bible based. It is an accredited member of the Global Christian Schools Network. It offers programs in Theology, Counseling and Ministry as well as Certificate Diploma, Bachelor, Master and Doctorate levels.