EVENT SCHEDULE – WDSI PANEL DISCUSSION

Academic Career Development (Apr 5, 3pm to 5pm, Ocean room 6)

1. 3:00pm – 3:10pm Introduction of the panelists
2. 3:10pm – 4:00pm Panelists experience sharing (around 10 minutes each) – please summarize and present your philosophy in any of the following area(s) - research, undergraduate/graduate/executive program development, administrative skills, journal editing, or professional organization services, or else
3. 4:00pm – 5:00pm Open discussion stage

Tentative Open Discussion Questions

1. Program development – lessons and advices
   a. Trend of undergraduate/graduate/executive programs in your view;
   b. Impact of MOOCS on program development and how should we deal with this new situation?
   c. Where is the value of higher education in today’s economy? – Taiwan, China, USA, and other places
2. Administrative skill development
   a. “Who should I represent?” - How to be a bridge between parties with conflicted interests? For example, department chair between faculty and Deans; or as a dean between chairs and provosts.
   b. “What skills do I need for administrator’s job?” - Important skills and trainings needed
   c. “How do I achieve buy-ins and shared vision?”
3. Professional services
   a. “How do I develop a professional organization?”
   b. “How do I develop a journal?”
4. Research
   a. How to keep research productivity and relevance as your career advances?
Panelists Bios

Professor She-I Chang from National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan

She-I is not only a well-established researcher with extensive publication in IS areas but also experienced
in journal editing and conference organization. In particular, She-I successfully organized the award
winning PACIS 2016 conference last year. He currently serves as the associate dean and AACSB executive
director in college of management of National Chung Cheng University.

Professor Timon Chih-ting Du from the Chinese University of Hong Kong

Timon has extensive program development experience especially in executive MBA programs. He served
as the Director of Msc in e-commerce for 4 years, Director of EMBA (Asia Pacific) for five years, co-Director
of EMBA (Xian) for one year, and Director of EMBA (Chinese) for five years. He was the founding director
for the EMBA (Chinese) program by installing the program from ground zero. Further, Timon served as
the President of International Consortium for Electronic Business involving members from more than 20
countries. As a well-known scholar, he also has published many papers in various leading international
journals.

Professor Abolhassan Halati from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Hassan is a full professor and the chair of Technology and Operations Management Department at Cal
Poly Pomona. As the department chair, Hassan led the undergraduate program innovation and applied
various approaches to bridge the difference between industry needs and program supplies. As a result,
the SCM/EBZ programs have grown more than 50% during the last five years and continue increasing.
Also, Hassan was a productive researcher especially in the area of transportation related contract research.
His current research interest is in the area of sustainable supply chains.

Professor Kuang-Wei Wen from University of Wisconsin, La Cross

Kuang-Wei is a full professor and the chair of the Information Systems department at the University of
Wisconsin-La Crosse (UW-L), and the UW-L academic director of the consortium online Health Information
Management and Technology (HIMT) program. Professor Wen is not only a prolific scholar with many high
quality research publications, but also has over thirty years of international experience in teaching
undergraduate and graduate programs including MBA and executive MBA programs in several well-known
universities. He has created or facilitated the creation of two Ph.D. programs, two masters programs, and
two undergraduate programs in the area of management information systems, several international joint
MBA programs and exchange programs, as well as the online HIMT program of a University of Wisconsin
System consortium.