



WBS Wits
Business
School
Sculpting global leaders

**INTERNATIONAL
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(IPO)
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International Programmes Office

- Director – Professor John Luiz
- Deputy Director – Charisse Drobis
- Exchange Coordinator – Karen Trent

- Does not deal with statutory matters for international students in academic programmes such as MBA, MM and PDM
 - Statutory matters handled by WIO – study permits, registration, clearance, travel and health insurance

IPO Functions

- Exchange - MBA elective exchange but also limited faculty exchange
- International Business Elective
 - 2-week MBA study tour to an international location
- Business School partnerships
 - All MOA's are centralised in the WIO
- Facilitation of international relationships between interested parties abroad and WBS
- Design and delivery of short academic programmes for international business schools – ½ day – 2 weeks

IPO STRENGTHS

- Active member of PIM – Partnership in International Management
- Only African BS with PIM membership
 - 55 Top Business Schools in PIM Network – www.pimnetwork.org
 - Many in the top 30 in FT B/School survey
 - Stern NYU, Chicago Booth, Johnson at Cornell, Fuqua at Duke, UCLA Anderson, HEC, Esade, Luigi Bocconi, Warwick, LSE, IIM Ahmedabad and Bangalore, Fudan, CEIBS, Melbourne, PUC Chile, FGV Brazil
- WBS has active reciprocal exchange MOA's with a number of these schools, most of which have EQUIS, AMBA and AACSB accreditation
- WBS location
- MOA's with non PIM Schools
 - IE Spain – rated NO 6 in FT survey
 - Euromed Marseilles
 - EBS

Highlights

- Yearly inbound exchanges – average 25 - 30
- Outbound exchange – average 20
- IB Tours in 2011 to China and South America
- Short programmes – general academic + immersion
 - Proposed for August 2011 -2 week programme for IIMB – 75 students
 - 2 IE Internship programmes per year – 15 students per group
 - Academic content delivery
 - Harvard: MBA – joint SA MBA + HBS MBA entrepreneurship day – 45 students
 - IE Spain: Short MBA exchange done on exchange barter basis - 20 students
 - One week in exchange for 5 exchange places

Residence facilities



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Challenges

- The Asian Perspective
 - WBS keen to partner with Asian & SE Asian schools but lack of reciprocal appetite
- The African perspective
 - MBA students only interested in exchanges with the ‘top brands’
- Faculty exchange
- Turnaround on MOAs
 - Tightly regulated contractual process
- Residence facilities
 - Shortage of available accommodation for both student and faculty exchange
- Costs – high, especially by African and Indian standards
- Security
 - Perception that Johannesburg is a very dangerous city