On November 18, 2015, the HSG hosted the fourth Career Day for Economists at the University of St. Gallen with more than 130 attendees. The aim of the event was to connect HSG Economics Students with Alumni of the University of St. Gallen.

The evening started with a keynote speech held by the IMF’s Roger Nord. Roger Nord is a HSG alumnus and Deputy Director of the IMF’s African Department for many years. In his speech, he presented the evolution of the IMF’s role in the world as well as insights into his work at the IMF. The speech was both interesting and lively and was highly appreciated by both Students and Alumni. The high degree of current relevance of the discussed topic spurred an interesting discussions between Alumni and Students with the presenter.

In the following Group Discussions Students and Alumni talked vividly about various topics of interest. While the participants in the Banking & Finance session discussed different entry opportunities into the financial sector as well as the career paths of the present Alumni, the Industrial Sector, IT & Consulting group reviewed various opportunities to create and start new businesses. The Public Sector, Academia & Insurance group profited from the presence of very well-known Alumni like Nicolas Cuche-Curti, current Assistant Director and Deputy Head of Inflation Forecasting at the SNB, and Roger Nord, who stayed after presenting his keynote speech to further answer questions, as well as numerous members of the SEPS Faculty. The results were vibrant discussions engaging Students, Alumni and Faculty in equal parts.

At the subsequent apéro, the three groups mixed and mingled again to reach out to participants, following up on conversations started earlier and establishing further relations.

The event was closed by a dinner for all participating Alumni and Faculty members at the Mensa, providing everybody the opportunity to catch up.

We would like to thank all Alumni for following our invitation and making this event such a success. We are looking forward to seeing them back at the HSG next year!

Next “Career Day for Economists”: 23.11.2016, 6pm at the HSG: Registration