2 DAYS – Friday July 29th and Friday August 26th
$1795 per Student ($1495 for Alumni Nominated Participants)

The program is conducted over 2 days and the fee covers: study resources, case study material, program administration, venue, lunch, and academic expenses. Net proceeds will be donated to the Harvard Club of Victoria's Non-Profit Fellowship.

LOCATION
EY Office - 8 Exhibition St, Melbourne VIC 3000

DATES
Friday July 29th 2016
Friday August 26th 2016

TIME
9am to 5pm

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To excel at creating new products, processes, and services, organisations must continue to innovate effectively. This program explores the core concepts, challenges, and diverse risks of participating in and leading innovation efforts in unpredictable markets. You'll learn how to conceive and participate in innovation initiatives that align with your firm's strategy, and how to recognise and capitalise on new opportunities for personal, product, and process innovations.

**WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT**

By balancing corporate strategy with effective execution, this Business Innovation Series presents new ways to think about and participate in innovation day-to-day as well as helping your company create and sustain competitive advantage over the long term. By doing so, you'll be better able to help keep your company at the forefront of innovation and your professional development on the edge of 21st century leadership.

**YOUR PROGRAM OF STUDY**

Focused on the practices of some of today's most successful companies, this Series offers insights into a range of product, service and organisational development challenges and opportunities. Specifically, you'll explore ways to develop experimentation capabilities within your organisation, assess disruptive technologies and concepts, and engage and motivate your colleagues to embrace and practice an innovation mindset.

Specific learning outcomes include:

1. Understanding the drivers and barriers to the adoption of innovations in business.
2. Understanding the risks and benefits of disruptive innovation.
3. Understanding the concept of "design thinking".
4. Understanding the role of culture in corporate entrepreneurship.
5. Understanding how a set of principles and a deep commitment to producing great products can drive sustained business success.
6. Demonstrating how innovation and experimentation can lead to transformation in products, services, and business models.
7. Appreciating the challenge of continuous innovation and strategies to achieve it.
8. Understanding how the focus of innovation changes as an organisation evolves.
9. Understanding the importance of the individual in innovation.

**WHO IS RIGHT FOR THE PROGRAM**

The program is designed for business owners, professionals, and managers from all sectors and industries. This Education Series is well suited for knowledge workers, advisers, and managers from a variety of functional business areas, such as marketing, sales, finance, operations and HR. Cross-functional or intradepartmental teams are encouraged to apply.

It's also a terrific opportunity for professional advisers to come along with key client staff that you serve. Applicants will be accepted on a first come basis. A maximum of 60 places are available.
The Business Innovation Series uses the Case Study method pioneered by Harvard Business School. As a core element of your learning experience, the case study method is an educational innovation well suited to studying the greatest challenges confronting leading companies, non-profits, and government organisations—complete with the constraints and incomplete information found in the real business environment. Students are placed in the role of the decision maker. There are no simple solutions; yet through the dynamic process of exchanging perspectives, countering and defending points, and building on each other’s ideas, students build skills in analysing business issues, exercising judgement, and making difficult decisions—the hallmarks of skillful leadership.

Students will be placed in Professional Circles that will act as Study Groups. These Circles will be formed at the first class and will meet to discuss the case studies prior to the second session.

In addition, Australian business leaders will visit the sessions and provide students with insights on the innovation strategies their organisations are pursuing.

There will be opportunities immediately after each class to meet and network amongst faculty, students, and guest business leaders.

During the Series students will study the industries and specific innovation challenges and strategies of the following four organisations:

- GE
- IBM
- Mahindra & Mahindra
- Apple

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The Business Innovation Series has been developed by and is taught by Harvard Business School graduates and former faculty who are widely recognised as skilled educators, researchers - and actual corporate innovators and entrepreneurs. Through consulting, innovation project leadership and teaching, our faculty leverage their business expertise and research to share leading concepts that shape the practice of innovation and leadership by their students. Our 2016 Faculty are Professor Michael Vitale and Doctor Stephen Spring.

**Professor Michael Vitale**

Michael graduated from Harvard Business School with an MBA in 1982 and served on the Harvard faculty until 1988. He has co-founded 4 companies and moved to Australia to become the Foundation Professor of Information Systems at the University of Melbourne. He has been a faculty member at Melbourne Business School, Monash University and Dean of the Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM). He co-developed the Master of Management (Innovation) course at Melbourne University and is currently the General Manager of the Wade Institute of Entrepreneurship.

**Dr. Stephen Spring**

Stephen has a Bachelor of Engineering from Monash University, an MBA from Harvard Business School and a PhD from the Australian Graduate School of Entrepreneurship at Swinburne University. Stephen’s PhD explored how large Australian company boards influence corporate entrepreneurship. He is an adjunct faculty member at the University of Adelaide and was a Senior Teaching Fellow at the Australian Graduate School of Entrepreneurship.

During his career Stephen has built oil rigs, consulted with McKinsey & Company, managed a start-up fish-farm, managed business development for Amcor, founded an internet start-up, and more recently established an electronic parcel locker business serving the Australian and American markets.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSING DATE: July 25th 2016**

Due to the high level of demand for places and prior preparation time required before the first class, applications and payment must be made prior to July 25th, 2016.

Since qualified candidates are admitted on a rolling, space-available basis, early applications are encouraged. Although there are no formal educational requirements, proficiency in written and spoken English is essential. Because the Business Innovation Series enhances the innovation capacity of the participants, and their organisations, participants are expected to be well prepared for each class and are required to actively participate in study groups and class sessions. Participating organisations in the past have found having at least 2 colleagues attend has helped with the creation and implementation of innovation initiatives post workshop.

The Business Innovation Series is being administered by The Human Performance Company with the net proceeds being donated to the Harvard Club of Victoria’s Non-profit Fellowship. These Fellowships enable up to 3 Victorian CEO's of Non-Profits to attend Harvard Business School's program 'Strategic Perspectives in Nonprofit Management', in Boston each year.

The Harvard Club of Victoria thanks EY, the Human Performance Company, Launch Vic and the Business Innovation Series Faculty for their support of the Non-Profit Fellowship.