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This month's editorial, "[A few thoughts on professional development](#)", written by John Corneille, Past Master of the Worshipful Company of Management Consultants, provides an interesting reflection on the role of professional development in building our career as management consultants. By sharing his direct experience, John discusses the key aspects that helped him develop as a professional and explains how the exposure to knowledgeable peers and the involvement in highly-formative professional experiences proved to be essential throughout his career.

Our next event is a Round Table discussion with an invited panel and audience on the topic of Excellence in Consulting. This is the first in a series of events and collaborative work on how we can define excellence in our profession. If you would like to be part of the event, [read further](#). Ahead of the discussion that will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> June, we have been asking our LinkedIn community to share their opinion on different aspects related to this topic. Follow us on [LinkedIn](#) to find out more about it and join the conversation.

We are also delighted to announce that we will be running the fourth edition of our annual CMCE Research Awards programme this year, with the [Research Awards event](#) to be held on 10<sup>th</sup> November. Authors of relevant papers on management consulting are invited to [submit them for consideration](#). This year there is an exciting opportunity for you to join our judging panel and play a key role in identifying the latest thinking from the academic world. Find out more about how to get involved [here](#).

We would also like to draw your attention to an upcoming event organised by our parent company, the Worshipful Company of Management Consultants that will take place on 21<sup>st</sup> June. During the evening, you'll have the opportunity to hear from Peter Hyman, co-founder of School 21 in East London who will explain how the 'Head, Heart and Hand Curriculum' that he developed is an example of what is possible, when we decide to embrace an approach aimed at educating the whole child. If you are interested in the education provided by our schools then this [thought-provoking lecture](#) by Peter Hyman is a must-attend event.

Earlier this month we held our latest virtual Showcase focusing on the eight drivers of change. During his thought-provoking talk, our speaker, James Davies, an employment lawyer, published the [The Eight Drivers of Change](#) report focusing on the future of work. In case you missed it and you are interested in knowing more, you can read [a detailed summary](#) of what was discussed, written by WCoMC Past Master, Denise Fellows. You can also watch a recording of the event [here](#). This Showcase follows on from our recent series of Clubhouse discussions on the post-pandemic world of work where we sought the views of the next generation of consultants and business leaders. We will be announcing more related events in this series over the coming weeks.

In the [latest instalment](#) of the “Next Gen Management Consultants: How soft skills can help future-proof your career” series, Valentina Lorenzon, a member of the CMCE Coordination group and editor of our newsletter, discusses the importance of learning how to receive and give feedback from the start of our career as a way to improve our performance and develop useful leadership skills.

This month’s [In-Brief section](#) features a series of articles and videos focusing on current topics that include CEO excellence, how management consultants help managers of complex projects innovate and promote organisational learning, and the industries that Amazon could disrupt next.

Finally, we are pleased to share the news that the newly formed BAM Management Consulting Network (MCN) is hosting online ‘coffee mornings’ at 8.30 am on 25 May and 29 June. The coffee mornings are an opportunity for academics and practitioners interested in the network to build up connections through informal chats. No preparation is required, just join the call with your preferred morning tea or coffee. Each coffee morning will discuss one of the important issues for management consultants identified in the recent CMCE survey. The guided part of the session will end at 9:00 am, but the Zoom call will stay open until 9:30 am for those who wish to continue informal networking. Although the coffee mornings are usually limited to BAM members, CMCE has negotiated free access to them for a limited number of applicants. If you would like to take part, please contact [Karol Szlichcinski](#).

We look forward to hearing from you!

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