

Thank you for your very kind testimonials for FERC 2008!

I really enjoyed the FERC meeting. People were warm and friendly and I learned a lot about the importance and need to research teach and "preach" the family business gospel to our colleagues in our campuses. Thanks for your encouragement and support. Moses Acquah, University of North Carolina, Greensboro

This was a very good experience for me both meeting many researchers in FERC2008 and encountering fine beers in Milwaukee! Hikari Akizawa, Chuo University, Japan

Thanks... for the great conference we had at Marquette University. I really enjoyed the atmosphere and the fruitful exchange of ideas during the poster and panel sessions. Gianluca Colombo, Lugana University, Switzerland

It was very good to have enough time to not only receive the information from the panelists, but to gain from the discussion and the diverse views from the audience so that we may gain from many of those who attended. Sharon Danes, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

I attended FERC 08 and I was inspired by the many research ideas being shared, infected by the obvious enthusiasm of the participants, and impressed by the many networking opportunities. I will definitely be back. Ed Fallon, Law School, Marquette University

We had a great time in Milwaukee. Great people discussing great topics of great importance. Tomasz A. Fediuk, Illinois State University

Just wanted to let you know how enjoyable, thought provoking and well organized I found the FERC conference. Thanks for organizing such a great event. Eric Gedajlovic, University of Connecticut

Congratulations on a very successful conference. it was an excellent conference, very well planned, organized and implemented. Michael Hitt, Texas A&M University

Thanks again to all involved for such a productive and satisfying conference. Clearly, FERC is ascending. Kit Johnson, Capella University

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great conference... very enjoyable. Franz Kellermanns, Mississippi State University

I found the whole thing very inspiring. Nice job! Ann Kinkade, Family Business Center, University of Wisconsin Madison

I enjoyed the conference a lot. It was a wonderful event and I found much information useful. ... excellent organization. Yan Ling, George Mason University

... a really good conference... I felt it was a big success. Tom Lumpkin, Texas Tech University

I have attended so many conferences but nothing comes close to the FERC atmosphere and collegiality. Raj Mahto, Cal State Fullerton

Thank you very much for a very good meeting... I liked very much the way... the whole meeting [was led], which helped create an informal and interactive climate! Leif Melin, Jönköping International Business School, Sweden

I would like to thank you very much for the learning opportunities I had at FERC and your hospitality. I look forward to attending future FERC meetings. Esra Memili (doctoral student), Mississippi State University

It was a pleasure being with [the conference participants]. I can see how practitioners can be helpful in such meetings to give and present another perspective. Denise Paré Julien, Business Families Foundation, Canada

I enjoyed the conference, as always. Congratulations... for organizing everything so well and putting together an exciting program. Torsten Pieper, Kennesaw State University

Fabulous conference! I liked the integrated blend of research, practice and teaching issues. I came away with some interesting ideas to think about and I know others did too. Becky Reuber, University of Toronto

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FERC was a great conference! I really enjoyed the topics discussed and the very personal atmosphere. I will be looking forward to next year. Kirk Ring, Mississippi State University

I had a wonderful time... I was really excited about some of the ideas that came up in conversation. Danilyn Rutherford, University of Chicago
... great job. Year by year it is getting better. William Schulze, University of Utah

Congrats on a wonderful conference with good momentum moving forward into the future years. Tom Schwartz, Grand Valley State University

The meeting was great, in many respects. I extremely like the way our studies have been presented and discussed (the poster method): I have received useful comments and suggestions, and I have enjoyed many of the posters. Some speeches were enlightening and I had the chance to meet several well known scholars. Salvatore Sciascia, Università IULM Italy

I am practically the only person who does FB research in my university, I feel very energized and full of ideas when I come back from FERC. Also the people who attend this conference are so nice...So, I just wanted to say that you do a great job in encouraging new scholars. Thank you. Manisha Singal, Virginia Tech

This year's conference provides a great model, one of the best I have attended. Ritch Sorenson, University of Saint Thomas

Thanks a lot for putting together this conference. I really enjoyed its dynamism, style and people!! A great opportunity to discuss relevant issues about how to expand the family business area. Rosa Nelly Nelly Treviño-Rodríguez, ITESM Campus Monterrey, Mexico

Congratulations on a conference well done. The panel on scholarly work was particularly great. Dianne Welsh, University of Tampa