

# Alumnus of the Year Kurt Lambert '88

Dr. Kurt Lambert presently serves as president of the Board of Directors and partner of Zegora Investment Management Ltd., a company he co-founded in 2005. Zegora Investment Management, based in Zurich, Switzerland, specializes in Socially Responsible Investments (SRI). The firm invests in companies that develop or offer technologies, services and products that directly or indirectly benefit the natural environment by reducing environmental footprints.

Dr. Lambert is a member of the Advisory Board of the FTSE Hedge Fund Index. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of the Africa Foundation ([africafoundation.org](http://africafoundation.org)) as well as chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Zegora Foundation. The Africa Foundation facilitates the empowerment and development of people living in or adjacent to protected areas in Africa, by forging unique partnerships between conservation initiatives and communities. Dr. Lambert recently founded the Zegora Foundation to provide



support to disadvantaged sections of the Barbadian community in the areas of education, social development and entrepreneurship.

In 1997 Dr. Lambert founded Harcourt Investment Consulting, a Swiss-based provider of hedge fund products and services, which now belongs to the Swiss private bank Bank Vontobel, and manages in excess of \$4 billion as of June 2009. He is no longer active in the firm, having sold

the majority of his participation. Prior to founding Harcourt, Dr. Lambert worked at Bank Leu and Union Bank of Switzerland (UBS).

Dr. Lambert earned an undergraduate degree in mathematics at Hofstra University and an M.A. in economics at the University of Texas at Austin. He completed his doctoral studies in economics at the University of Lausanne, Switzerland, in 1995. Dr. Lambert was Hofstra's February 2008 Alumnus of the Month, and in May 2008 he established an endowed scholarship at Hofstra.