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As 5th International President of YEO, David helped strengthen the YEO/YPO relationship.

## HIGHLIGHTS

- The two organizations entered into an agreement known as the “YEO/YPO Strategic Alliance” to enhance their relationship in a mutually supportive way.
- YPO began openly supporting YEO by sharing resources and providing mentors, as well as assisting in YEO chapter development. YPO also provided YEO with guidance and counseling in developing of products and services.
- There was also a provision for the YEO member-based CEL Advisory Board. That Board would be comprised of: Jim Kenefick, Bradley Feld, Brad Merritt, Milledge Hart, Doug Mellinger, Jim Iverson, Pat Thompson, Chris Hoverman, Bill Ritchie, Gabriel Goncalves, and Mohamed Fathelbab.
- Since that agreement, many new chapters opened outside of North America, namely in Asia and Europe.
- John Murphy and Dean Lindal launched chapters in Tokyo and Hong Kong with the help of YPO members, Ernie Higa and Sandy Eu.
- Partnership agreements and grants started to provide much-needed financial support for growth in chapters.
- The Montreal University was held from 17-21 August, 1994 for 191 participants. Speakers included: Dave Pitassi, founder of Dryper’s Corporation, the #1 INC. 500 company in 1994; Frank King, Chairman of the Calgary Olympics; and the Honorable Ralph Klein, Premier of Alberta.
- The Lake Tahoe University was held in February 1995 for 275 participants.