

Office of the Dean, Alumni Affairs & International Relations
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

Date: February 7, 2017

Subject: Minutes of the MoU Committee Meeting Dated 1st February, 2017.

The MoU Committee comprising the undersigned members met on 1st February, 2017 in SRIC Conference room. The minutes and resolutions of the meeting are as under.

Prof. Sriman Kumar Bhattacharyya	Chairman, MoU Committee
Prof. Sanjay Gupta	Secretary
Prof. Prasanta Kumar Das	Dean, PGS&R
Prof. Siddhartha Mukhopadhyay	Dean, AA&IR
Prof. Pallab Dasgupta	Dean, SRIC
Prof. Sudhirkumar Barai	Dean, UGS
Prof. Baidurya Bhattacharya	Associate Dean, AA&IR (Special Invitee)

The MoU Committee recommends Prof. Baidurya Bhattacharya, Associate Dean AA&IR, to be inducted as a member of the MoU Committee. A note seeking approval from Director shall be sent by the Dean AA & IR.

1. MoU with *The Henry Samueli School of Engineering, University of California at Irvine*: Prof. Suman Chakraborty, ME

Resolution: The committee considered University of California's opinion on intimation of all notices with regard to this MoU and suggested use of alternatives modes of intimation, preferably by email. Prof. Chakraborty is requested to send this modified draft to University of California, Irvine for their concurrence. The revised MoU may be resubmitted for further consideration.

2. MoU with *Univ. of Manchester*: Dr. Abhijit Mukherjee, GG

Resolution: It was recommended that the IP clause from the IITKGP template be included in the document along with the names of coordinators from both sides. The committee identified Dr. Abhijit Mukherjee, to be the IITKGP coordinator. The committee observed that a point may be added on the periodic review of the status of the activities listed under the MoU. Other minor editorial corrections were incorporated in the revised draft. The revised MoU will be reconsidered after Dr. Abhijit Mukherjee, receives concurrence from the Univ. of Manchester.

3. MoU with *Texas Tech University*: Dr. Somsubhra Chakraborty, AG

Resolution: It was observed that this MoU was primarily oriented towards faculty members and students' exchange programs only. It was felt that an umbrella MoU should be first

established based on the IITKGP MoU template. Dr. Chakraborty is requested to ask Texas Tech University to consider our MoU template. The committee suggested that Dr. Chakraborty discuss with Prof. Sanjay Gupta to prepare a modified draft that can be sent to Texas Tech University for their consideration.

4. MoU with ***Pan IIT Alumni India*** : Prof. Siddhartha Mukhopadhyay, EE

Resolution: After examining the MoU with Pan IIT Alumni India, the committee observed that the sections on 'Objective' and 'Collaborative Effort' may need significant changes. The committee suggested that the modified document be sent by Prof. Sanjay Gupta to the Head of Rural Development for examination and discussion with other units of the Institute, with required modifications. The modified draft shall be sent back to Pan IIT Alumni India for their consideration.

5. MoU with ***Istituto Per IL Rilevamento Elettromagnetico Dell'ambiente of the Consiglio Nazionale Delle Ricerche(IREA-CNR) Italy*** : Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharya, EC

Resolution: The committee suggested that Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharya, include the IP clause in the MoU and take concurrence from IREA-CNR before it can be further considered.

6. MoU with ***Visva Bharati University, Santiniketan (VBU)***: Prof. Pallab Dasgupta, CS

Resolution: It was recommended by the committee that this MoU shall be taken up after receiving response from the new Vice-Chancellor of Visva Bharati. Prof. Dasgupta may coordinate further developments on this MoU.

7. MoU with ***Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT)***: Dr. Parthasarathi Ghosh, CR

Resolution: It was suggested by the committee that the IP clause should be included in the MoU, before it can be considered further. Prof. Parthasarathi Ghosh is requested to incorporate the IP clause from the IITKGP template and receive concurrence from Karlsruhe Institute of Technology before the MoU can be finalized.

8. MoU with ***Univ. of Queensland***: Prof. Prabodh Bajpai, EE

Resolution: The committee reviewed the MoU and made several suggestions to be included such as, English Language Requirements, Admission Criteria, and Qualifications. Several questions were raised by the committee in relation to composition of the Doctoral Supervisory Committee, tuition waiver, and funding possibilities for IITKGP students. The committee observed that more clarity was required on matters pertaining to coursework, qualifiers, and intellectual property. The committee recommended that a single degree, carrying the seal and signature of heads of institutions be awarded jointly by both institutions. Prof. Prabodh Bajpai is requested to discuss the issues raised by the committee with Univ. of Queensland and seek their concurrence before re-submitting it to the committee.

9. MoU with **INS DAG**: Dr. Sumana Gupta, AR

Resolution: The MoU committee expressed eagerness to develop the MoU with INSDAG. However, the committee suggested several modifications that need to be incorporated in the present MoU. Prof. Sanjay Gupta was requested to review and assist in modifying the present MoU, after which the revised MoU should be resubmitted for further consideration in the MoU Committee.

10. MoU with **India-Norway Joint Working Group**: Prof. S. Mukhopadhyay, EE

Resolution: This item was reported to the committee and it was decided that this program would be coordinated by Prof. Baidurya Bhattacharya.

11. MoU with **Collaborative Agreement with Computer Laboratory, Univ. of Cambridge** : Prof. Chittaranjan Mondal, CSE

Resolution: The committee examined the MoU and requested Prof. Mondal to obtain a letter from the Head of the Computer Laboratory, Univ. of Cambridge confirming an interest in the agreement. The committee concluded that based on the available documents, an MoU cannot be signed at present. The committee suggested that Prof. Mondal share our MoU template and ask the coordinator of the Computer Laboratory of Univ. of Cambridge to modify the text as per requirement. The document may then be forwarded by the Head of the concerned lab. The draft may be re-submitted to the MoU committee for further processing.



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