

**Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

**for**

**Academic Collaboration**

**between**

**The Indian Institutes of Technology**

**India**

**And**

**ParisTech – Paris Institute of Science and Technology,**

**Paris, France**

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## Preamble

The Indian Institutes of Technology

- Kharagpur,
- Bombay,
- Madras,
- Kanpur,
- Delhi,
- Guwahati, and
- Roorkee

(Hereinafter referred to as IITs), and

all the institutions included under ParisTech namely:

- AgroParisTech (Institut des Sciences et Industries du Vivant et de l'Environnement),
- Arts et Métiers ParisTech (Ecole Nationale Supérieure d'Arts et Métiers),
- Chimie ParisTech (Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Chimie Paris),
- Ecole des Ponts ParisTech (Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées),
- Ecole Polytechnique,
- ENSAE ParisTech (Ecole Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Economique),
- ENSTA ParisTech (Ecole Nationale Supérieure de Techniques Avancées),
- ESPCI ParisTech (Ecole Supérieure de Physique et de Chimie Industrielles de la Ville de Paris),
- HEC Paris (Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales),
- Institut d'Optique Graduate School,
- MINES ParisTech (Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Mines de Paris), and
- Telecom ParisTech (Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Télécommunications)

(Hereinafter referred to as ParisTech),

collectively referred to as the "Institutions" or the "Parties",

RECOGNIZING their mutual interest in research, development, education and technology transfer on a non-commercial basis, and also

RECOGNIZING the global nature of today's business, industrial and social problems, and the need to address them through international cooperation,

HEREBY agree to encourage collaboration according to the terms and conditions set forth in the following articles.

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## **Article 1: Fields of collaboration**

1.1 IITs and ParisTech may collaborate within any mutually agreeable field of research and education. To achieve these goals, IIT and ParisTech may investigate opportunities insofar as the means of each allow:

- promote institutional exchanges by inviting faculty and staff of the partner institutions to participate in a variety of teaching and/or research activities and professional development;
- receive students of the partner institution for periods of study and/or research.
- organize symposia, conferences, short courses and meetings on research issues;
- carry out joint research and continuing education programs; and
- exchange information pertaining to developments in teaching, student development and research at each institution.

1.2 IITs and ParisTech may collaborate specifically to participate in the European commission initiatives such as the Erasmus Mundus, External Cooperation Window by partnering with other interested institutions.

## **Article 2: Exchange of Faculty, Research Scholars and Students**

- 2.1 This MOU has to be considered as a general agreement allowing IIT's and schools of ParisTech to sign bilateral agreements to manage specific cooperation programs
- 2.2 As far as students mobility is concerned, the parties agree on the following principles:
  - It is understood that acceptance of any students will be at the discretion of the institution providing the learning experience, and that any visiting students will, at all times, be subject to the policies and regulations of the host institution;
  - The host institution will waive the tuition fees for the welcomed students
  - Parties will look for funding possibilities in order to facilitate the mobilities

## **Article 3: Cooperation organisation**

- 3.1 This MOU shall be identified as the parent document of any program agreement executed between the parties

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3.2 This MoU shall have an initial duration of five years from the date of signature, unless either party gives a six-month notice of termination. This MoU may be extended further, in five-year increments, by mutual written agreement

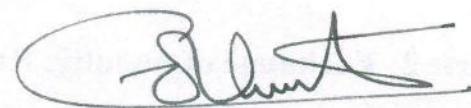
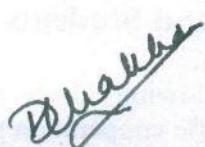
3.3 Negotiation, implementation and coordination of the MoU are the responsibility of the Director of the respective Indian Institute of Technology, and of the President , ParisTech Institute of Science and technology, Paris. They may delegate this responsibility to appropriate individuals from their academic/administrative staff.

3.4 Despite the statements and obligations expressed herein, this MoU is a non-binding expression of the current intentions of the Parties, and neither Party will incur nor be bound to any legal obligations or expense hereunder to the other Party until and unless definitive agreements have been negotiated, approved by the necessary management levels of each Party and executed and delivered by authorized representatives of both Parties.

This MoU is signed subject to approval by the appropriate authorities on both sides.

For the Indian Institutes of Technology,

For the ParisTech Institute of Science  
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