



# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN



**CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY,  
CRANFIELD, BEDFORDSHIRE, MK43 0AL**

**AND**

**INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR,  
WEST BENGAL, 721302, INDIA**

**(Referred to in the singular as "Party" and in the plural as "Parties")**

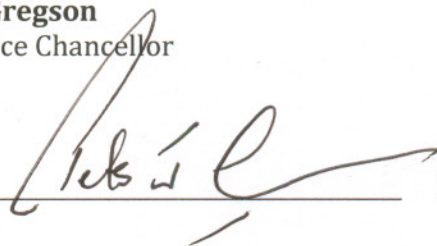
1. **Cranfield University** has a well established reputation for undertaking applied research and teaching, focused on the needs of industry and government.
2. **Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IIT-KGP)** has a well established reputation for undertaking fundamental and applied research and teaching, focused on the needs of industry and government.
3. The intention of the Parties is that this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as "MoU") is non-contractual and that agreement hereto and the signature if any appended by the representatives of the Parties signifying agreement hereto shall not create any obligation enforceable in law or in equity against either Party.
4. The Parties agree to seek ways in which they can co-operate further to establish a firm relationship to assist in their aims and objectives and further agree that they shall at all times and within reason act in ways that are mutually beneficial and agree to consult with each other about areas of collaboration in education and research ventures as listed below:
  - a) Academic Programmes, such as Masters Programmes.
  - b) Research
  - c) Exchange of faculty members (Academic visitors)
  - d) Exchange of students

The specific terms and conditions governing an activity shall be formulated separately and agreed to by the two institutions. Such agreements shall be documented as annexure to this general MoU.

5. The Parties agree to co-operate and assist each other to enable the MoU's aims and objectives to be achieved, and to enter into discussions and negotiations for drafting a formal legally binding contract, relating to each area of collaboration as and when they arise.
6. Neither Party is obliged to grant to the other Party rights in inventions, copyright material or technology that belong to it, as a result of work preceding or independent of this MoU. Such Intellectual Property arising out of work under the MoU shall be held jointly and the terms thereof shall be decided in a case to case basis.
7. The Parties shall bear their own costs and expenses expended or incurred in connection with this MoU.
8. Dr. Suresh Sampath, Department of Aerospace, Cranfield University shall be the Coordinator from Cranfield University and Professor B. N. Singh of Department of Aerospace Engineering shall be the Coordinator from IIT-KGP. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by appropriate authority of the respective institutions.
9. Neither party shall assign transfer or otherwise dispose of this Memorandum of Understanding without the prior written consent of the other Party
10. This MoU shall remain in force for a period of five (05) years and will be renewed automatically. It may be terminated by either Party giving to the other thirty (30) days written notice.

**Professor Sir Peter Gregson**  
Chief Executive and Vice Chancellor

Signed on behalf of  
Cranfield University



Date 14/02/2017

*for*  
**Professor Partha Pratim Chakrabarti**  
Director

Signed on behalf of  
IIT, Kharagpur



Date 14/02/2017