

# MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

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**THE INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY KHARAGPUR (IITKGP)**

*and*

**THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA**

Through this Memorandum of Understanding ("MoU"), the **Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur (IITKGP)**, India (hereinafter "IITKGP") and the **University of Arizona** in, Tucson, Arizona, U.S.A., aim to collaborate on projects and activities which support the mission of each institution, particularly those related to Mining and Geological Engineering.

Both institutions intend to seek opportunities to collaborate across a range of activities, including:

- Faculty and scholar exchanges between faculty, graduate students, and researchers for teaching or research purposes
- Development of joint academic or scientific research projects
- Explore capacity building and partnership opportunities
- Exchange of relevant publications or information produced by either party

This MOU is not intended to be a binding agreement between the Parties, but rather a statement of the intentions of the Parties to negotiate the terms and conditions of a formal agreement for mutual cooperation and activities in the future, including specific provisions financial consideration. Both institutions will jointly hold the rights for any intellectual property developed under this association, details of which will be covered in other agreements developed under this MoU.

This MoU will be in effect for five years from the date it is fully executed. After this initial period, the Parties may re-examine this MoU and make any necessary adjustments based on a mutually agreed-to assessment of the collaboration. This MoU may be terminated by any of the parties to the agreement on 90 days written notice to the other Party. However, specific commitments made prior to such intimation shall be honoured by both the partners.

**Dr. John Kemeny** shall be the Coordinator from the University of Arizona and **Dr. Srikant Annavarapu** shall be the Coordinator from IITKGP. The participants and Coordinators may change from time to time as decided by appropriate authority of the respective institutions.

For Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur:



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Date : August 29, 2017

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