



**STATEMENT OF COOPERATION
BETWEEN
INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, KHARAGPUR (IIT-KGP), INDIA
AND
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, APPLIED SCIENCE**

IIT-KGP and UBC have agreed for a long-term institutional collaboration in education and research. The primary objective is to promote contact and collaboration between faculty, staff and students, carry out joint research programs including joint supervision of research students on a strictly reciprocal basis. The relationship also aims at enhancing the technological, social and cultural relations of both countries/states/regions. This document presents a general framework for such a relationship. It also includes some specifically identified areas of cooperation, which shall be updated from time to time.

1) INTENDED AREAS OF COOPERATION

The parties will explore areas of potential collaboration with respect to the following activities:

- a). The exchange of visiting scholars, faculty and post-doctoral fellows;
- b) The exchange of scholarly information including research papers, indices to theses, and books on relevant subjects;
- c) The exchange of invitations to attend scholarly and technical meeting, forums and conferences;
- d). Joint conferences, seminars, workshops and exhibitions and
- f). Review of other possible areas of cooperation in a variety of research and academic projects

While the Institutions intend to cooperate with respect to foregoing activities, neither Institution will be obligated to commit funds or resources, nor will either Institution grant any rights with respect to intellectual property, unless a legally binding agreement has been entered into. This statement of cooperation does not itself establish any legally binding obligations, financial or otherwise, on the part of either Institution.

2). DURATION AND NOTICE

- a). The Institute intend to explore these areas of potential collaboration during the five year period commencing on the date set out below. Unless renewed by the institutions, this Statement of Cooperation will expire at the end of this period.
- b). Either Institution may terminate this Statement of Cooperation by providing at least 60 days' notice to the other Institution.

3). Participation and Coordination

The partnership shall initially be between the following:

- For UBC :
 - Norman B Keevil Institute of Mining Engineering.
- For IIT-KGP :
 - Department of Mining Engineering

Professor Bern Klein shall be the Coordinator from Norman B Keevil Institute of Mining Engineering- UBC and Professor K.UmaMaheshwar Rao 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.

4). USE OF TRADENAMES

The name, crests and logos of each Institution are the intellectual property of that Institution, and may not be used without that Institution's express written permission for each specific usage.

5). Intellectual Property

Each institution will adhere to the intellectual laws of their respective nations. Intellectual property developed during the visit of an exchange student will be governed by the rules of the host institute unless otherwise specified by an alternate agreement. The two institutions shall jointly own results of clearly defined collaborative projects and Research Student exchange programmes. This joint ownership entitles each party to commercialize and create derivatives independently. Whenever one institution receives any information from the partner under a clearly defined non-disclosure agreement, necessary steps will be taken to protect the intellectual property received.

For the University of British Columbia

Dr. Eric Hall.....
Dean, Applied Science.....

Date: 20 Mar 2013

Dr. John Hepburn,

Vice President Research and International

Date : 25 March 2013

For the Indian Institute of Technology
Kharagpur

Prof. S.K.Som
Director (Officiating),

Date: _____

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