



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MoU)

Luleå University of Technology (LTU), Luleå, Sweden and Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur (IITKgp), India, agree that the encouragement and development of co-operation and exchange in all areas of mutual academic and research interest are desirable. Both parties, therefore, wish to expand the basis for friendship and co-operative educational exchange and have set forth the following memorandum of understanding.

ARTICLE 1

The purpose of this memorandum of understanding includes, but is not limited to, the following:

1. Development of joint venture projects between LTU and IITKgp, like preparation of joint proposal for external funding.
2. Organisation of joint academic and scientific activities, such as; research, courses, and joint sponsorship of conferences, seminars, symposia or lectures.
3. Exchange of faculty and students.
4. Exchange of materials and publications of common interest.
5. Other such activities as may be mutually agreed upon

Co-operative projects ensuant from this agreement may include any of the academic disciplines represented at LTU and IIT Kgp.

ARTICLE 2

In order to carry out and fulfil the goals of this understanding both parties will appoint co-ordinators for the development and management of joint activities. Through these contact persons, either party may initiate proposals for activities under this agreement. Specific details will be set forth in a letter of agreement that will form part of this general MoU following signature by the appropriate authorities of both parties. A letter of agreement will include such items as:

1. Elaboration of the responsibilities of each institution for the agreed upon activity.
2. Schedules for the specific activity.
3. Budgets and sources of financing for each activity.
4. Any other items deemed necessary for the efficient management of the activity.

The contact persons will be responsible for the evaluation of activities under this MoU according to the practices of the respective parties. Letters of agreement will be approved by both sides according to the normal procedures adopted by the signatory party.

ARTICLE 3

This memorandum of understanding will take effect from the date of its signature by all appropriate authorities and will be originally valid for five years and may be evaluated annually for any necessary revision. The agreement may be amended by mutual agreement.

This memorandum of understanding may be terminated by either party at any time provided that the terminating party gives a minimum of three months notice in writing.

As witness to their consent to this memorandum of understanding, the appropriate authorities hereunto provide their signatures.

Luleå, June 16, 2008



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