Memorandum of Understanding
For academic cooperation
between
Indian Institute of Technology Delhi
AND
University of Essex

1. Indian Institute of Technology Delhi, Outer Ring Road, Hauz Khas, New Delhi, Delhi 110016, India (IITD);

2. University of Essex, Wivenhoe Park, Colchester, Essex CO4 3SQ, United Kingdom (Essex)

1. This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is intended to promote co-operation, discussions and positive academic relations between Indian Institute of Technology Delhi and the University of Essex and to recognize their strengths in research and education in one or more disciplines of science, engineering and management and their mutual interest in engaging themselves in academic cooperation.

2. Nothing in this MOU shall be construed as creating a legal relationship between the Parties with the exception only of the provisions in clauses 4, 5, 6 and 7. This MOU is therefore a statement of intent which sets forth the general basis upon which the Parties wish to proceed; no contract will arise as to the subject matter hereof unless and until an agreement regarding each or any objective is negotiated, approved, executed and delivered by the Parties.

3. IITD and Essex agree to establish a programme for academic cooperation in areas of mutual interest, and in accordance with terms and conditions set forth in this memorandum of understanding (MoU). IITD and Essex agree:

   a) to exchange information on research and educational programmes,
   b) to exchange information on teaching, learning material and other literature relevant to their educational and research programmes,
   c) to jointly organize short-term continuing education programmes on topics of mutual interest and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
   d) to jointly organize seminars, conferences, or workshops on topics of mutual interest and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
   e) to jointly propose and engage in research or training programmes sponsored by funding agencies, and to invite each other's faculty to participate therein,
4. IITD and Essex agree that detailed terms and conditions that guide each activity identified above, if required, will be separately agreed upon by the two institutions by signing the implementing agreement for each activity. These terms shall include a description of proposed activity and financial arrangements.

5. Each Party will ensure appropriate protection of Intellectual Property Rights generated from cooperation pursuant to MoU, consistent with their respective laws, rules and regulations and international agreements to which both parties are committed. In case of joint publication, the use of the name, logo and/or official emblem of the participants on any publication, document and/or paper will require prior permission of both the participants. Further, the Parties shall not assign any rights and obligations arising out of the IPR generated from inventions/activities carried out under the MoU to any third Party without consent of the other party. Commercialization of technology in any other country shall be done jointly through a separate agreement. All Confidential Information shall remain the exclusive property of the disclosing party.

6. Proposals under this MOU will be submitted through liaison officers designated by each Party to assure conformity with the Objectives. The liaison officer at Essex will be Sandeep Sharma, Regional Manager, and for IITD shall be Prof. Sanjeev Sanghi, Dean, Alumni Affairs and International Programmes.

7. This MoU will take effect from the date it is signed by representatives of the two institutions. It will remain valid for two years, and may be continued thereafter after suitable review and agreement. Either institution may terminate the MOU by giving written notice to the other institution six months in advance. Once terminated, neither IITD nor Essex will be responsible for any losses, financial or otherwise, which the other institutions may suffer. However, IITD and Essex will ensure that all activities in progress are allowed to complete successfully.

8. Should there be a dispute relating to any aspect of academic cooperation, Director, IITD and Vice Chancellor/President, Essex will jointly resolve the dispute in a spirit of independence, mutual respect, and shared responsibility.

9. This MoU is signed subject to approval of the respective academic/administrative bodies.

Signed for and on behalf of
University of Essex

Signed for and on behalf of
Indian Institute of Technology Delhi

Bryn Morris
Registrar and Secretary

Prof. Sanjeev Sanghi
Dean, Alumni Affairs & International Programmes