



**Memorandum of Understanding
International Partnership Programs**

between

Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, India

and

Karlstad University, Sweden

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is made between

The **Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati**, Guwahati-781 039, India, an autonomous body incorporated under the Institute of Technology Act 1961, as amended up to date, having its office at Guwahati, hereinafter called IITG;

and

Karlstad University, 651 88 Karlstad, Sweden, a governmental body, originally founded as a Teacher Training College in 1843, reinstated in several steps to become in 1999 the modern and research-based university it is today, hereinafter called KAU.

In order to promote cooperation and the advancement of academic, research, and educational exchanges between IITG and KAU the two institutions agree to formalise a MoU as follows:

Within fields that are mutually acceptable, the following general forms of cooperation will be pursued:

- Academic visits/Exchange of faculty
Examples: Planning and handling of academic programs and courses, organization of seminars, workshops and conferences including the exchange of mutual experiences in teaching, research, and industrial practice.
- Joint teaching programs, research activities, and publications
Explore possibilities of joint twinning programmes in interdisciplinary areas of specialisation of high relevance to both institutions such as the

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intellectual property areas of design, computer communication and security, and other areas of computing such as econometrics and 3D animations.

- Participation in seminars and academic meetings
- IITG students' internships at KAU
KAU is willing to offer internships to IITG 3rd year B.Tech students of Design and Computer Science (including B.Tech in Maths & Computing). Assignments will be drawn from KAU's research projects in Interaction Design, Usable Privacy-Enhancing Technology, Mesh Networks, but may also include internships at a company.
- Other exchange of undergraduate and/or graduate students
Organisation of study visits and training, participation in Bachelors', Masters', and Doctoral courses, negotiating the recognition of academic credits, guidance and supervision of student's theses and projects works.

The purpose of this MoU is to express the intentions of the Parties, specifically for the internship arrangements. The terms of cooperation for other specific activities contemplated under this MoU shall be mutually discussed and agreed upon in writing by both parties prior to the initiation of that activity. Any such activities agreed upon will be recorded and governed by a separate document executed by both parties. Activities to be organised under this agreement will be the responsibility of the Heads of both institutions or of persons designated by them. National regulations and customs shall be mutually respected. This MoU imposes no financial obligations on either party. Both institutions understand that all financial arrangements will have to be negotiated and will depend on the availability of funds.

Each home university should complete its selection of exchange students and nominate its exchange students for the Exchange Programme (including Internships) to the host university within a reasonable time frame to be mutually agreed between the universities. The exchange student's nomination should be accompanied by a:

- curriculum vitae;
- statement of academic aptitude from a member of the student's faculty; and
- specific outline of programme study at the host university.

The host university should evaluate the nominated exchange students and determine their acceptability for admission as exchange students (including internships). The host university reserves the right to reject the home university's nominated exchange students. The home university may appeal the rejection.

The terms and exploitation of intellectual property, inventions and innovations will be negotiated on a project-by-project basis in the specific project agreements and programmes of cooperation. Save as aforesaid, nothing in this MOU shall be construed as a license or transfer or an obligation to enter into any further agreement with respect to an intellectual property currently licensed to or belonging to either Party. An intellectual property held by Party prior to entering into this MOU or disclosed or introduced in connection with this MOU and all materials in which such

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intellectual property is held, disclosed or introduced shall remain the property of the Party introducing or disclosing it.

This MoU will remain current for five years with the understanding that either party may terminate it by giving the other party twelve months' written notice, unless an earlier termination is mutually agreed upon. Each party recognises that the other party has, may have, or will have arrangements of a similar or different nature with other institutions whether in each party's respective countries or elsewhere in the world, during the currency of this MoU.

Each party shall not make any public announcement or statement or publish or release any information in relation to any proposed activity or proposed collaboration without the prior written approval of both parties. Each party shall keep confidential any information that it receives from the other party which is marked confidential or which a party notifies the other party is confidential.



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