AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION

BETWEEN

DHIRUBHAI AMBANI INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (DAIICT), GANDHINAGAR, GUJARAT, INDIA

AND

INSTITUT SUPERIEUR D'ÉLECTRONIQUE DE PARIS (ISEP),
INSTITUT CATHOLIQUE DE PARIS (ICP), FRANCE

The objective of the present Agreement is to develop the academic and scientific relations between ISEP and DA-IICT in identified areas where there is mutual interest in establishing specific working Agreements of Co-operation.

Co-operation will include, subject to availability of funds:

- Exchange of students
- French Language Learning
- Double degrees
- Exchange of faculty members
- Joint research activities
- Exchange of academic materials and other information

1. EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS

1.1 Understanding of Terms

"Home Institution" is the Institution in which the student is originally enrolled.

"Host Institution" is the Institution to which the student is attached for the duration of his/her exchange.
“ISEP” is the Institution delivering the MSc degree and in which the student is registered for the second and third semesters of the programme.

“DA-IICT” is the Institution delivering the B.Tech/M.Tech degree and in which the student is registered for the second and third semesters of the programme.

“MSc Programme” is defined as a 3-semester programme: two consecutive academic semesters followed by a one-semester internship as followed at ISEP.

M.Tech Programme” is defined as a 4-semester programme: four consecutive academic semesters with a thesis as followed at DA-IICT.

Exchange Period” is defined as either one, or two consecutive academic semesters (terms), or equivalent, but no longer than two academic semesters (terms), or equivalent, in which the student is registered.

“Exchange Student” is one who participates in the Exchange Programme between the Institutions and is required to pay tuition at the Home Institution only.

“Enrolled Student” is the one who participates in the MSc or M.Tech Exchange Programme but pays tuition at the Host Institution.

1.2 Student Exchange

1.2.1 The Programme is founded on the basis of mutual reciprocity, with the intention of achieving a maximum of 2 Exchange Students each way for every year. Proposals for Exchange Students must be made in advance and agreed upon with sufficient notice to both parties. In addition, student exchanges of Enrolled Students at either Institution may be considered.

1.2.2 The Home Institution will be responsible for screening and selecting students for this Programme, subject to acceptance by the Host Institution. The Host Institution may at its discretion reject any applicant whose academic or other qualifications for participation in the programme are not found to be appropriate.

1.2.3 Participating Exchange Students will continue as candidates for degrees at their Home Institution and will not be candidates for degrees at the Host Institution.
1.2.4 Exchange and Enrolled Students will be subject to the academic rules and discipline of the Host Institution. Where applicable the host institution will periodically inform the home institution of the academic progress of participants in the programme.

1.2.5 The Host Institution will make reasonable efforts to assist the academic internship exchange student to obtain housing and with other matters of hospitality, but is not obliged to provide housing or financial assistance of any kind whatsoever.

1.2.6 Exchange Students shall be responsible for obtaining their own visas and completing the required immigration formalities, and for obtaining the travel and other related documents needed to pursue studies at the Host Institution.

1.2.7 If the Exchange Student voluntarily withdraws before the end of his/her programme of study, it will be considered a completed exchange.

1.2.8 The following modes of operation are possible under this Agreement:

(a) An Exchange Student will spend only the second semester at the Host Institution, pay tuition fees for that semester at the Home Institution, and get the degree from the Home Institution.

(b) A student originally enrolled at a Home Institution can transfer to the Host Institution after the first semester, pay all the tuition fees as specified in force at the Host Institution, satisfy all the academic requirements at the Host Institution, and gets its degree. This is called an Enrolled Student at the Host Institution.

(c) The credits which are obtained in the home Institution are transferred to Host Institutions to complete the total required credits for the degree (subject to academic council approval).

1.3 Student Enrolment, Attendance and Assessment

1.3.1 Exchange/Enrolled Students will be permitted to enroll in any course of the Engineering programme offered by the Host Institution, subject to admission requirements, timetable and capacity constraints of the Host Institution.

1.3.2 Each Exchange Student will be required to fulfill the requirement of the proposed academic program that has been agreed in advance by the two institutions. Full time study and experience will be defined by consultation between the Home and Host Institutions.
1.3.3 Exchange students will obtain credits for the courses and experience in accordance with the regulations of the Home Institution. Official transcripts for each student will be sent directly to the Home Institution at the end of each semester for the exchange period.

1.4 Responsible Offices

Each University agrees to appoint an overall Co-ordinator for the administration of the exchange. The Co-ordinator will serve as the contact person on campus, being responsible for arrangements associated with visits, ensuring that necessary approvals are in place and the general welfare of the exchange students.

1.5 Fees and Other Expenses

Exchange students will pay appropriate tuition and other fees at their Home Institution during the exchange period. They will also pay for all personal expenses incurred at the Host Institution, including visa, housing, travel, meals, health insurance, books and stationery required. They will be exempted from tuition fees at the Host Institution.

1.6 Insurance

All Exchange Students will be required to purchase adequate health (including hospitalization) insurance as determined by the Host Institution for the exchange period.

2. FRENCH LANGUAGE LEARNING

In keeping with this partnership, the Institut Catholique de Paris would like to make note of the fact that it possesses on its campus a French-language learning institute, the Institut de Langue et de Culture Françaises (ILCF). The goal of this language institute is to teach French and those learning skills necessary for university-level studies in France to all international students who endeavor to study at ISEP, ICP or any other French institution of higher education. Different programs are possible according to the course of studies followed by students, such as pre-Fall semester French language instruction, semester-long language instruction, Summer sessions, intensive language sessions in September or evening classes while enrolled as ISEP.
3. DOUBLE DEGREES

A student who wishes to obtain a double degree from both institutions has to carry out one additional semester at least compared to regular registered students. The enrolment requirements and financial conditions will be detailed in a separate agreement.

4. EXCHANGE OF FACULTY MEMBERS

To the extent feasible, both institutions will encourage direct contact between their faculty members, departments and research centres under provisions of this Agreement.

Faculty members may spend periods not normally exceeding one academic year in the other university. In supporting such an agreement the Home Institution shall make efforts to continue partial or full salary of the participant.

5. JOINT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Themes of joint activities and the conditions for utilizing the results achieved and arrangements for specific visits, exchange and other forms of co-operation will be developed mutually for each specific case. In particular, attempts will be made to submit Joint Research Proposal and Joint International Workshops to appropriate funding agencies.

Research exchanges will include trainees to carry out projects in labs and PhD students.

6. TERM AND TERMINATION

6.1 This Agreement shall come into effect from the date of this agreement, and shall continue in force unless terminated by either party.

6.2 Either party shall be entitled at any time and at its absolute discretion to terminate the Agreement by giving written notice six months beforehand to the other party. Such termination shall not affect exchange periods in hand at the time of the termination.
7. MODIFICATION

This Agreement may be modified by agreement in writing and signed by the three parties.

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17 October 2014
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