



## Memorandum of Understanding

Academic and Research Collaboration  
between

International School of Photonics, Cochin University of Science and Technology  
(ISP CUSAT)

and

Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India

International School of Photonics, Cochin University of Science and Technology (ISP CUSAT)  
and Indian Institute of Technology Madras have agreed to the following protocols governing their  
collaboration on academic and research related activities:

### Scope

The Scope of collaboration on academic and research activities in this Memorandum of Understanding includes the following categories:

- Academic and Research collaboration in the areas of mutual interest.
- Exchange of academic information, scholarly information, materials and publications.
- Exchange of students and faculty.
- Sponsorship of cooperative seminars, workshops and other academic meetings.

### Student Exchange

Pursuant to the agreement for academic exchange, ISP, CUSAT and Indian Institute of Technology Madras will exchange students according to the terms laid out in Annexure 1. It is desired by both parties that there will be significant flow of students in both directions.

### Research Collaboration

Faculty from both Institutions will collaborate in the supervision of exchange students and in joint research in disciplines of mutual interest. All such joint research activities will be governed by the terms laid out in Annexure 2.



### Commencement, renewal, termination and amendment

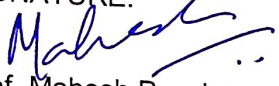
This MOU will come into force upon affixing of the signatures of the representatives of the partner institutions and will remain in effect for five years. This MOU may be renewed upon its expiry, with the agreement of both partner institutions.

If either partner institution wishes to terminate the MOU at the end of the five years period it must notify the other institution not less than six months prior to the expiry of the MOU.

This MOU or its renewal and the actions taken under it may be reviewed at any time. Modifications may be made by mutual agreement and any amendment or extension to the agreement may be formalized by the exchange of letters between the two parties.

Signed:

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## Annexure 1

1. Students under the student exchange programme will be classified as special exchange students. Special exchange students will be permitted to take courses on credit / audit, as well as participate in research activities / project work.
2. In any case, the consent of the teacher / project supervisors / research supervisors is required. Such consent will take into account among other things whether the student has pre-requisites for the course / project.
3. The Host Institution of students enrolled in this exchange program shall not levy tuition fees. Home Institution may continue to levy fees as applicable.
4. Course credits and grades earned will be determined by the home institution based on the grade report from the host institution.
5. Each institution will accept up to 10 students each year.
6. Participants may not spend more than one year normally in the exchange programme.
7. Participants will be subjected to the rules and regulations of the host institution, in addition to specific rules and regulations, if any, of the host country regarding foreign students studying in the host country.

### Selection and nomination

The selection and nomination of students is open throughout the academic year. The student nomination should be accompanied by:

- Curriculum vitae.
- Statement of aptitude from a member of the student's school / faculty.
- A specific outline of the programme of study at the host institution and a statement of objectives of the student.

When a nomination is forwarded by the home institution, it is presumed that the sending institution considers the student suitable for the proposed program and consents to send the student if selected by the host institution.

The host institution will evaluate the nomination and determine their suitability for selection under the Student Exchange Program.

Where the exchange student is pursuing a research or implementation project as part of the B.Tech, M.Tech, M.A., MBA, M.S., M.Sc. or PhD (or equivalent) degree programme, the host institution will provide a suitable faculty member to jointly assist (along with the supervisor in the parent institution) the exchange student in formulating research project or jointly supervising the exchange student in the event that a research project has already been identified.