## Network of Engineering Institutions

At: DAIICT, Near Indroda Circle, Gandhinagar 382 007, Gujarat

April 18, 2011.

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Dear Sir:

As directed by the Director, Prof. S.C. Sahasrabudhe, I enclose herewith MoU in original, duly signed by all the four Institutes for your reference and records. Kindly acknowledge receipt of the document.

Thanking you

Yours sincerely,

(P.R. Venugopal)

Enc. As above.

## **Memorandum of Understanding**

There is a need for enhancing quality instruction and research work at Ph.D. level in a large number of engineering institutions in India. A group of experts from IIT Bombay, IIT Delhi and DAIICT have been working towards setting up a Network of Engineering Institutions to this effect. This Memorandum of Understanding attempts to address this need at the following institutions:

- i) Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology, (DAIICT) Gandhinagar
- ii) International Institute of Information Technology, Pune,
- iii) Meghe Group of Institutions, Nagpur, running four engineering institutions in and around Nagpur.
- iv) The Lakshmi N. Mittal Institute of Information Technology Jaipur, (LNMIIT) a deemed-to-be-University, and

The objective is to form a network of engineering education institutions (henceforth referred to as NEI) with the objective to cooperate towards enhancing research activities at Ph.D. level, initially in the area of VLSI. In future, it could be extended to include other areas. These institutes will henceforth be referred to as the Founding Institutes.

IIT Bombay and IIT Delhi have agreed to support this initiative.

This memorandum of understanding seeks to:

- Provide a means of guidance to research and project students through an expert panel.
- b) Create a peer group of research students for exchange of ideas, expertise and experience.
- c) Enable available resources for research purposes.

A Governing Council comprising of competent authorities from the Founding Institutes will be set up and will meet at least once a year. It will invite other

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institutions to become part of this cooperative effort. Selected representatives from these institutions can be co-opted to become its members. It will form domain specific executive committees which will ensure meaningful implementation of the objectives above.

The Executive Committees will have faculty members nominated from the member institutions, domain experts from their specific area and may further coopt other members as required. It will appoint an expert panel consisting of recognized subject experts who have volunteered to help in conducting research and for Ph.D. level instruction. Representatives from the expert panel will be members of the Executive Committee. Executive Committees will be responsible for planning and implementation of the activities of NEI in their respective domains. Administrative and financial policy decisions taken by the Executive Committee need to be approved by the Governing Council.

Signatories:

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Date: January 17, 2011 Place: Gandhinagar.