

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
between  
**IT University of Copenhagen, Denmark**  
and  
**Indian Institute of Technology Mandi, India**

This Memorandum of Understanding is made on the day of 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2012

Between:

- IT University of Copenhagen, Rued Langgaardsvej 7, Copenhagen, DK 2300 (hereinafter referred to as ITU).
- Indian Institute of Technology, Mandi 175 00, India (hereinafter referred to as IITMandi). referred to collectively as the "parties" and individually as "party".

ITU and IITMandi 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 Collaboration
- Student and Faculty Exchange
- Research Collaboration

### Academic Collaboration

ITU and IITMandi are already exploring joint teaching of a course on Software Engineering in a code sharing fashion. ITU and IITMandi intend to continue this collaboration and support faculty regarding alignment of teaching and examination procedures for as long as this is deemed relevant for both parties. The parties also agree to explore the possibilities for other academic collaboration activities of mutual interest. All such joint academic collaboration activities will be governed by the terms laid out in **Annexure 1**.

### Student and Faculty Exchange

ITU and IITMandi agree to support mutual exchange of students and faculty, provided that a balance of exchanged students can be achieved, that suitable curricula are available at the host institution for the students in question, and that other such standard details concerning exchange can be successfully solved. Particularities concerning such exchange are laid out in **Annexure 2**.

### Research Collaboration

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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 3**.

### 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-year period, it must notify the other institution not less than six months prior to the expiry of the MOU.

Either party may terminate the MoU by giving written notice before 31st December of any year of its intention to withdraw with effect from 1st September the next year. In the event of such termination, the interests of any exchange students shall be protected to the extent possible.

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 MoU may be formalized by the exchange of letters between the two parties.

### General

This MoU expresses the Parties' devotion to mutual collaboration, acknowledging that individual collaborative activities shall be negotiated and decided on a case-by-case basis, based on each party's resource capacity.

Each of the parties intends to do all things reasonably within its power, which are necessary or desirable to give effect to the spirit and intent of this MoU.

This MoU and its annexes are not intended to be legally binding, and the parties assume no contractual liability towards each other.

Signed :

SIGNATURE:

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DATE : 30/10/2012

  
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Signed :

SIGNATURE :

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Indian Institute of Technology Mandi  
Mandi 175 001  
INDIA

DATE : 23/10/2012

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## ANNEXURE 1

### Academic Collaboration

1. Academic collaboration may include activities such as joint courses, short-term student visits, collaboration between student projects, jointly supervised student and thesis projects, etc.
2. Each institution will nominate one of its members as its representative in charge of the academic collaboration.
3. Individual academic collaboration projects under this MoU will be coordinated by the nominees of both parties. When a new activity related to academic collaboration is being considered, the representative of each institution is responsible for ensuring with his/her superior and other relevant units of their organization that the necessary resources are available in their institution or from external sources before commencing the activity.
4. The parties agree on supporting such academic collaboration by negotiating the alignment of course schedules, examination and teaching procedures as far as adequate and possible; and support faculty exchange for such purposes when possible.
5. Both parties intend to look for funding for the activities related to academic collaboration to the extent possible and reasonable.



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## ANNEXURE 2 Student and Faculty Exchange

1. ITU and IITMandi agree to support mutual exchange of faculty. Such exchange will be agreed on a case-by-case basis provided that organization resources are available.
2. ITU and IITMandi agree to support mutual exchange of students, provided that a balance of exchanged students can be achieved, that suitable curricula are available at the host institution for the students in question, and that other such standard details concerning exchange can be successfully solved.
3. The details concerning student exchange will be negotiated upon the signing of this MoU, and will then be specified in a separate exchange agreement between the two institutions, which will be signed no later than [March 31st 2013](#).
4. In the spirit of this intent, both parties agree to support direct communication and negotiations between the International Coordinators of the two institutions, and other relevant people within the two organizations.



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### Annexure 3 Research Collaboration

1. Proposals for collaborative research work under this MoU will be submitted with the prior approval of the Head of each institution, or his/her nominee.
2. Each institution will nominate one of its members as its representative in charge of the cooperative program. Individual programs of work under this MoU will be jointly planned and conducted by the nominees of both parties.
3. Progress of work of any individual program will be reviewed and approved by designated authorities of both parties.
4. The final approval of any project will depend on the availability of guaranteed support funds.
5. Neither ITU nor IITMandi will be held responsible for any liability to the other party, and neither party shall be required to purchase any insurance against loss or damage to any property due to activities to which this MoU relates.
6. Every collaboration will have its own agreement/contract, which address issues such as IPR, funding pattern, disclosure of information, etc.



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