

Memorandum of Understanding
between
Network Systems & Technologies (P) Ltd.
Technopark, Trivandrum

&

Department of
Electronics & Communication
College of Engineering
Trivandrum.

**Memorandum of understanding between Network Systems &
Technologies (P) Ltd, Technopark, Trivandrum and Department of
Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum.**

This Memorandum of Understanding (herein referred to as MoU) is made on the 12th day of October 2006, between Network Systems & Technologies (P) Ltd., Technopark, Trivandrum mentioned hereafter as NeST, on one part and Dept. Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, on the other part as participating institutions.

WHEREAS both Department of Electronics & Communication College of Engineering, Trivandrum and NeST have agreed to carryout Industry Institute Interaction Programme herein referred to as Programme, jointly with the diligence and efficiency as desired within this MoU in conformity with appropriate administrative, financial and educational practices and implement all such plan and activities and reforms as required for the Programme.

NOW THEREFORE NeST and Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum agree to enter into collaboration within scope of the terms of this MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING formulated as follows.

OBJECTIVES FOR THE PROGRAMME

The goal of the program herein described is the strengthening and growth of mutually beneficial research, educational, and outreach programs to be conducted cooperatively by Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum and NeST. This MoU is intended to facilitate the following goals:

- a. To effectively share the facilities and expertise for improving the capabilities for advanced education and research.
- b. Spread awareness about core engineering work happening in the industry, specifically in the domain of electronics in relation to areas such as consumer electronics, networking, automation and life sciences.
- c. Increase the relevance of the academic research and consultancy in the research and product development initiatives at NeST.

- d. Enhance the number of students who elect to remain in core electronics research and product development;
- e. Collaborate to share and exchange information between both parties for mutual benefit and knowledge enhancement;
- f. To conduct joint/collaborate research

THE PROGRAMME

This MOU is to formalize joint program activities that will help Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum to enhance its research and educational capabilities, and NeST in achieving its business objectives. The following activities are indicative of the types contemplated through this joint program:

JOINT PROJECTS

Students from Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum will participate in product development activities through projects sponsored by NeST or through joint collaboration with NeST and Dept. of Electronics and Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum.

RESEARCH PARTICIPATION AND COLLABORATION

Visits of faculty, staff, and students of Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, to NeST facilities for consultations, meetings, workshops, short courses, and research participation will be encouraged and facilitated. In addition, consultancy tenures for summer or sabbatical periods may be sponsored when appropriate for longer-term collaboration.

STUDENT INTERNSHIPS AND EMPLOYMENT

Students will be encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities that exist at NeST facilities to understand high technology research, development and manufacturing.

Participation in programs that allow students to gain valuable experience & training as interns will be encouraged.

NeST will also provide mentoring to students chosen in concert with Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum. These students will be mentored by experienced engineers from NeST, who may also act as their project guides and advisors. Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, students will also be given preferential consideration for employment opportunities at NeST.

COURSES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

NeST will inform Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, and make available, on an "as-available" basis, slots to faculty & staff & students of Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum in mini and short courses, lectures, and seminars covering various areas of common interest. Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, may also consider developing programs and conducting courses for NeST personnel. NeST will also support Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, in the development and coordination of conferences and workshops in areas of mutual need and concern.

IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING

For implementing and monitoring of the Programme, NeST and The Dept of Electronics & Communication Engineering, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, also agree that

- a. The interaction between NeST and the Dept. of Electronics & Communication . College of Engineering, Trivandrum will be implemented by creating Programme Coordination Cell both at NeST and at Dept. of Electronics and Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum, each headed by a Programme Coordinator.
- b. The Programme coordinator at Dept. of Electronics and Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum will be nominated by the Head of Department and NeST will be nominated by President, NeST, Trivandrum.
- c. Dept of Electronics & Communication Engineering, NeST and College of Engineering, Trivandrum will constitute a Programme Coordination Committee (PCC) comprising the members of the respective Programme Coordination Cells for regular monitoring of the activities and achieving the set targets. The Committee will meet at least once in a month and review the progress.
- d. If the activities could result in the form of publication/patent then the IPR will be with both the institutes with due percentage share agreed upon.

FINANCE

Regarding the financial arrangements during the Programme Implementation, NeST and the Dept. of Electronics and Communication .College of Engineering, Trivandrum further agree to:

- a. Both the parties will engage services of the existing faculty and staff for networking arrangement and no additional staff will be provided. Such staff will not be provided any honorarium.
- b. Both the parties will utilize existing infrastructure for this collaborative arrangement.

INDEMNITY

Both parties hereby indemnify and shall keep indemnified and protected the other party and their respective officers and employees from and against any claims or actions arising out of or in any way relating to the provision and implementation of the Programme as per this MoU.

DURATION

This MoU will be active for a period of three years from the date of this MoU

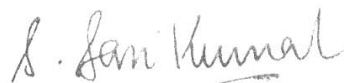
SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

The two parties of this MoU agree to act in good faith and in a spirit of mutual understanding and accommodation to facilitate the achievement of goals set under the Programme.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties here to have caused this MoU to be signed in their respective names as of the day and year


Principal, College of Engineering, Trivandrum

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF Dept. of Electronics & Communication, College of Engineering, Trivandrum.


President, NeST, Trivandrum

FOR AND ON BEHALF OF Network Systems & Technologies (P) Ltd., Trivandrum

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