

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

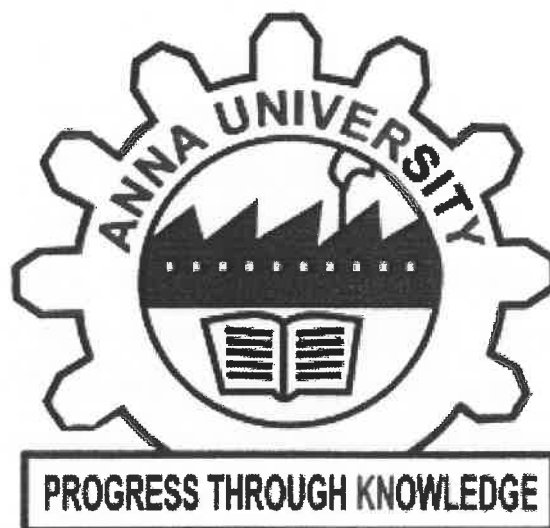
Between

FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN



and

**ANNA UNIVERSITY, CHENNAI
INDIA**



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Between
FREIE UNIVERSITÄT BERLIN
and
ANNA UNIVERSITY
Sardar Patel Road, Guindy
Chennai 600025, INDIA.

WHEREAS,

Freie Universität Berlin, in conformity with § 1 (2)1. of the BerlHG is a public organization of Higher Education in the Land of Berlin. It is endowed with full juridical capacity, of which it has as its end to provide higher education.

The University is legally represented through its president, Univ.-Prof. Dr. Peter-André Alt, who is the head of the university.

For the effects of this Agreement, its legal address is Kaiserswerther Straße 16 – 18, 14195 Berlin, Germany.

WHEREAS,

Anna University was established on 4th September 1978 as a unitary type of University. It offers higher education in Engineering, Technology, Architecture and Allied Sciences relevant to the current and projected needs of the society. Besides promoting research and disseminating knowledge gained there from, it fosters cooperation between the academic and industrial communities. The University was formed by bringing together and integrating two well-known technical institutions in the city of Madras. College of Engineering, Guindy (CEG) (1794), Madras Institute of Technology, Chromepet (MIT) (1949) and three Technological Departments of the University of Madras, Alagappa College of Technology (ACT) (1944), School of Architecture and Planning (SAP) (1957). From December 2001, the University has become a large, highly renowned University with affiliating status.

The signatories agree:

ARTICLE 1: Common Shared Vision

- 1.1 Signatories of this agreement share the following common vision: the promotion and enhancement of the dissemination of knowledge in order to provide society with superbly trained professional engineers, and in the creation of knowledge through the scholarly research activities of its faculty, staff and students in order to provide society with the vitally needed highly qualified personnel.
- 1.2. Signatories of this agreement agree in principle to establish for themselves a preferential Institutional partner status.

ARTICLE 2: Responsible offices

Freie Universität Berlin and Anna University agree to appoint an overall coordinator for the administration. The coordinator 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 students/faculty.

ARTICLE 3: Commitment of the signatories

Freie Universität Berlin and Anna University commit themselves to work together in a collaborative, collegial relationship of mutual benefit with the contribution of complementary skills and resources towards the common shared vision.

3.1. Student exchange programme

- 3.1.1. Freie Universität Berlin and Anna University would offer opportunities to undergraduate and postgraduate students from the partner institution to carry out projects in their own laboratories.
- 3.1.2. Freie Universität Berlin and Anna University agree in principle to intake in the regular engineering curriculum undergraduate and postgraduate students from the partner institution for one semester or one year.
- 3.1.3. Proposals for students must be done in advance and agree upon with sufficient notice to both parties. The exact number of students will be agreed upon by the two institutions on an annual basis. In any given year, the number of students hosted can vary.
- 3.1.4. The home institution will be responsible for screening and selecting students, subject to acceptance by the host institution.

- 3.1.5. The host institution will assist the students to obtain housing and with other matters of hospitality, but is not obliged to provide financial assistance of any kind.
- 3.1.6. Participating students shall be responsible for obtaining their own visas and completing the required immigration formalities.
- 3.1.7. Students participating to the programme will pay appropriate tuition fees at their home institution during the period at the host institution. They will also pay for all personal expenses at the host institution, including visa, housing, travel, meals and health insurance. They will be exempted from tuition fees at the host institution.

3.2. Faculty exchange programme

The agreement also envisions co-operation for faculty exchange through deputation for short term assignments spread over not more than a year in areas mutually identified.

3.3. Other activities

The above-mentioned activities are not exclusive; other may be considered, such as:

- Joint projects,
- Collaborative research activities, including joint supervision of doctoral students,
- Joint academics programs,
- Other areas of mutual interest.

When relevant, the above-mentioned activities will be described in a specific document.

ARTICLE 4: Administrative provisions

4.1 Terms and termination

This agreement will become effective upon signing and shall be effective for three (3) years, or until earlier termination by either party in keeping with the terms of this Agreement. This agreement shall be renewed if both the parties agrees at the end of the three-year-term.

4.2 Modification


If any exchanges in the above clauses or a modification are intended then it can be carried out by mutual consent of both the parties.

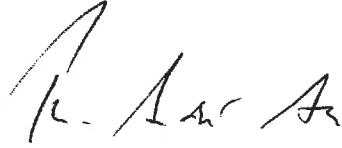
ARTICLE 5: Legal Effect

This MoU is not intended to impose any legal obligation whatsoever on either parties, but not limited to an obligation to bargain in good faith. The parties do not intend to be bound by any agreement until both agree to and sign a definitive written contract. Neither party can rely on any promises inconsistent to this paragraph. This paragraph supersedes all other conflicting terms.


For and on behalf of
Anna University, India

For and on behalf of
Freie Universität Berlin, Germany


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