

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU-1)

General Partnership

BETWEEN

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY DELHI (INDIA)
CALLED NIT**

AND

NETWORK "n+i" OF ENGINEERING INSTITUTES CALLED NETWORK "n+i"

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is signed between **National Institute of Technology** (hereinafter referred to as **NIT**) and **Network "n+i" of Engineering Institutes** (hereinafter referred to as **Network "n+i"**).

1. Preamble

NIT and Network "n+i" recognise:

- a. their mutual interest in training engineers with an international vocation
- b. the importance of the role of higher education institutions in the promotion of relations and their contribution to social development.

and NIT and Network "n+i" undertake to:

- c. consider the introduction of a dual international Master's programme for engineering students in order for the latter to be able to complete their training in India and France.
- d. inform their competent ministries (or official bodies, such as the CTI – Commission for Engineering Degrees – in France) about their arrangement in order to obtain their approval.

The term **partner institutions** used in this agreement refers to NIT and Network "n+i". Network "n+i" shall serve as the exclusive coordinator on behalf of its members.

2. Field of cooperation

Cooperation between the 2 institutions may be established within **any** field related to science, engineering and technology.

Cooperation will concern the promotion and the exchange of students.

The 2 institutions agree to promote, to their students, the possibilities of studies and training in their partner institutions (NIT for French students and Network "n+i" for Indian students of NIT).

Cooperation in the areas of research, long distance learning programs, short exchanges, invitation of academics, etc. could be discussed and will be subject of separate agreements.

3. General principles

An associate MOU (A-MOU) linked to this general agreement MOU must be signed between specific department of NIT and specific "n+i" engineering schools in order to precise:

- the programme involved (see § 4),
- which engineering schools member of Network "n+i" (among the 47 schools) are concerned,
- bilateral conditions of the cooperation (the French schools concerned, reciprocal tuitions fees, number of students per year, duration of the training, etc.).

The signature of each associate MOU will be coordinate by the Network "n+i".

4. Promotion and Exchange of Students

- 4.1 The exchange will concern **Bachelor, Master or Doctorate students** in sciences, engineering or technology who will attend one of the programmes of the Network "n+i":
- PURE Undergraduate research internships,
 - GET governance of engineering and technological programmes,
 - PreMasters,
 - Masters (after a Bachelor),
 - Post Masters,
 - FIER-DOC (French Innovative Experience in Research in Technology, Engineering and Sciences),
 - Rendez-Vous (short term programs).
- 4.2 Each institution will select, among their students, highly motivated candidates for studies abroad (selection by NIT of Indian candidates wishing to go to France and by French Engineering Institutes of French candidates for studies or training in NIT).
- 4.3 Students will apply through the Network "n+i" website. Each partner of this agreement (NIT and Network "n+i") will have access to the application forms of students stored on the Network "n+i" database by using a confidential login and password given by Network "n+i".
- 4.4 In order to respect the French law regarding the rights of people who have personal information stored in a database, each partner, by signing this agreement certifies that:
- they will never transfer the confidential login and password to anybody even from the same University or Institute,
 - they will never use this database for any other purpose different than the recruitment of students for engineering studies with Network "n+i".
- 4.5 Parties will check hard copies of application "paper" forms of candidates before sending them to the collaborating institution(s) within a reasonable time before the start of the academic programme. These hard copies of the application forms will be sent to Network "n+i" staff who will control and validate electronic applications forms.
- 4.6 Only students with validated application forms could be selected.

- 4.7 NIT and Network "n+i" welcoming students for a period from few weeks up to several years (depending on the programme) will inform the students what kind of qualification they will gain (degree, diploma, certificate, etc.).
- 4.8 Students involved in this exchange will receive a certificate or a degree (if applicable) and/or credits (when applicable) (European ECTS on the French side), in respect with the training done abroad. If the work and the number of credits comply with the national regulations, the students could receive the degree from the foreign institution (ex: Master's degree after 2 years in France).
- 4.9 Students of either institution, who wish to undertake a Network "n+i" programme, will be assisted by the host institution for administrative registration and daily requirements including, but not limited to, accommodation, transport, office, library and laboratory facilities, etc.
- 4.10 The student exchange shall bear on theoretical and practical academic teaching as well as on professional training and internships.

5. MOA regarding Master's degree

The 2 institutions agree to study the possibility of awarding a Master's degree with "experience abroad" or a double Master's degree for well-selected students willing to complete their engineering training in India and France. A special Memorandum of Agreement MOA for such schemes will be signed separately.

6. Balance of the exchange, funding and finance

- 6.1 For each program selected in the list § 4 it will be mentioned in each A-MOU how to balance the exchange (ex: On one to one student basis, on a similar number of months of training abroad, on a balance of costs, etc.).
- 6.2 To reach the goals mentioned in articles 2, 3, 4, scholarships (National from Government or Embassies, Companies, Regions (from France and India), or international programmes (EU, etc.) will, as much as possible, be targeted on students participating in this exchange programme.
- 6.3 The collaborating institutions will offer logistic support for initiating the cooperation.

7. Advantages to be partner of Network "n+i"

Regarding the advantages to be a Network "n+i" partner:

- students from NIT are exempted of the fees to apply (50 € in 2017),
- to be involved, if possible, as a partner in our ERASMUS Plus programmes,
- NIT will have a courtesy invitation (air flight tickets on economy class, welcome in Paris, 7 days hotel and food) of one week in France for any professor, academic, staff, of the NIT for each 15 students arrived in France (all programmes included PreMaster, Masters, FIER-DOC, any "n+i" school,
- Priority (not guaranty) on scholarships (if we have) from AUF, companies, Erasmus, etc.

8. Management of the agreement and Administration

8.1 Negotiation, implementation and coordination of this agreement fall under the responsibility of:

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8.2 The contact persons mentioned above can nominate a member of the academic staff within their institutions to coordinate the activities.

8.3 This agreement shall have duration of 4 years, renewable for further 4 years unless either party gives notice of termination not later than 6 months prior to the expiry of the existing agreement.

8.4 This agreement will take effect upon ratification by NIT Delhi Senate/BoG and Network "n+i".

Hereby NIT Delhi and Network "n+i" agree to launch the **programme** (Promotion and Exchange of Students) in establishing collaboration according to the terms and conditions set out in all the articles mentioned above.



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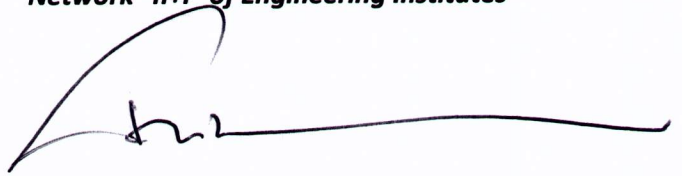
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