



**LETTER OF INTENT
FOR ACADEMIC COOPERATION
BETWEEN
ASIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (AIT), THAILAND
AND
CHAITANYA BHARATHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY (CBIT),
PRODDATUR, INDIA**

1. Parties

The parties to this LETTER OF INTENT are:

- Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand, hereafter referred to as "AIT"
- Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology, Proddatur, India, hereafter referred to as "CBIT"

The **Asian Institute of Technology (AIT)** is an international institute of higher learning. It is Asia's pioneer institution, established in 1959 to help meet the region's growing needs for advanced learning in engineering, science, technology, management, research, and capacity building. AIT's mission is to develop highly qualified and committed professionals who will play a leading role in the sustainable development of the region and its integration into the global economy. AIT is based in Thailand.

Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT) was established at Proddatur in Y S R (Kadapa) District, Andhra Pradesh, India, with an objective of providing quality and value education to the students. It is one of the flagship institutions started by the well-known Philanthropist Dr. V. Jayachandra Reddy, Secretary and Correspondent along with his young and energetic committee members. Under the aegis of Bharathi Educational Society, Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology (CBIT) established in the academic year 2008 with the approval of the All-India Council for Technical Education (A.I.C.T.E), New Delhi, and the recognition of the Government of Andhra Pradesh.

2. Purpose

- 2.1 The broad objectives of this LETTER OF INTENT are to promote cultural, educational and scholarly exchange; collaboration and technical interchange between the parties involved as educational partners.
- 2.2 Upon the mutual consent of the parties, including the relevant academic management within the universities; subject to the availability of funds, collaboration may be carried out in, but not necessarily limited to, the following activities:
- Visits between universities by academic, technical and administrative staff
 - Joint organization of student mobility and immersion programs such as Education Innovation Camps and Students Development Programs.

- Special Scholarships for meritorious faculties/staff/students of CBIT to study postgraduate at AIT
 - Joint organization of conferences, seminars, or research support.
- 2.3 Addenda to this document may identify specific projects, which will be undertaken within this overall LETTER OF INTENT, and the details of respective management. Further Memorandum of Agreements (MOA's) shall be developed for specific agreements based on the mutually agreed upon objectives and outcomes, at any time. Dr G. Sreenivasula Reddy, Principal of CBIT is fully instrumentality authorized to sign the MOA's on behalf of the CBIT, and Prof. Kazuo Yamamoto, President of AIT is fully instrumentality authorized to sign the MOA's on behalf of the AIT.
- 2.4 The purpose of this LETTER OF INTENT is to outline an academic and management framework between the two parties, designed to promote internationalization at both institutions. The parties do not intend to be legally bound to each other, and this LETTER OF INTENT does not impose legal obligations on either party.

3. Joint Managers, Administrative Officers, and Working Parties

- 3.1 Dr. G. Sreenivasula Reddy from CBIT while Prof. Nitin Kumar Tripathi from AIT are designated to be as a Joint Managers in the execution of this LETTER OF INTENT.
- 3.2 The Joint Managers may appoint Administrative Officers or Working Parties to manage the details of particular activities, curriculum or program development, as specified in the addenda to this LETTER OF INTENT.

4. Duration of LETTER OF INTENT

- 4.1 This LETTER OF INTENT will be effective upon signature by each Institute Joint Managers for a period of two (2) years, at which time it will be reviewed for possible renewal for another five-year period.
- 4.2 The Joint Managers may propose a mutually agreed upon modification to activities or arrangements under this LETTER OF INTENT. However, all modifications are subject to express written ratification by each Managers (or an expressly designated delegate) prior to the implementation of the modification.

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This Letter of Intent (LOI) is prepared in two identical copies. Each Party holds one original copy, duly signed by the Executive Director of Special Degree Programs of AIT and the Director (Admin) of CBIT.

For and on behalf of:

Asian Institute of Technology
Thailand

Nitin Tripathi

Prof. Nitin Kumar Tripathi
Executive Director
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Date: 15 July 2024

Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology
India



G. Sreenivasula Reddy

Dr G. Sreenivasula Reddy
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Date: 15th July 2024