

In the Name of God

Memorandum of Understanding

ON
International Partnership Programs of
Educational, Research and Technological Cooperation

Between



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VIT[®]
Vellore Institute of Technology
(Deemed to be University under section 3 of UGC Act, 1956)

Preface

Tabriz Islamic Art University, IRAN was established in 1999 following the important speech of the Iranian supreme leader during the meeting with the members of the Supreme Council of the Cultural Revolution on Islamic art, and after the approval of the Council for the Extension of Higher Education in the buildings donated by the Iranian Supreme Leader (formerly known as Khosravi Leather Factory), in the year named as Year of Imam Ali (1378). Tabriz Islamic Art University holds specialized faculties in the fields of arts and architecture. Some of the disciplines were founded for the first time in the country. The specialized and equipped university workshops are existed for the use of modern educational methods to meet the specialized, applied and skillful needs of students, as well as to enhance their knowledge and professional skills. The University has paid special attention to students' relationship with traditional arts and bringing brilliant talents up, training well-educated students, and paying attention to work and entrepreneurship. The university, with the cooperation of talented professors, honorable staff and esteem students tries to act as an entrepreneur university with a fully electronic official system. In this regard, it has been planned in a way that the students are to attend classes every other day and present their taught in the field of production and occupation in the coming day.

Vellore Institute of Technology, INDIA here in referred to as "VIT" was established with the aim of providing quality higher education on par with international standards. It persistently seeks and adopts innovative methods to improve the quality of higher education on a consistent basis. The campus has a cosmopolitan atmosphere with students from all corners of the globe. Experienced and learned teachers are strongly encouraged to nurture the students. The global standards set at VIT in the field of teaching and research spurs us on in our relentless pursuit of excellence. In fact, it has become a way of life for us. The highly motivated youngsters on the campus are a constant source of pride.



Memoranda of Understanding with various international universities are VIT's major strength. They provide for an exchange of students and faculty and encourage joint research projects for the mutual benefit of these universities. Many of our students, who pursue their research projects in foreign universities, bring high quality to their work and esteem to India and have done the VIT proud.

Tabriz Islamic Art University, Iran & Vellore Institute of Technology, India are desirous to establish academic linkages and contacts through a formalized MOU between the two organizations with the following objectives:

I. Aims and Form of Co-operation

- **Exchange of students:** Organization of study visits and training, participation in Bachelors', Masters' and Doctoral courses, recognition of academic credits, guidance and supervision of student's theses and project works. Towards this purpose, a few scholarships to meet their living expenses partly or wholly may be made available from both sides.
- **Exchange of faculty:** Planning and handling of academic programmes and courses, organization of seminars, workshops and conferences including the exchange of mutual experiences in teaching, research and industrial practice.
- **Exchange in research:** Joint programmes in Research and Development including exchange of publications and reports.
- **Twinning Programmes:** Explore possibilities of joint twinning programmes in interdisciplinary areas of specialization of high relevance to both institutions.
- **Centres of Excellence:** Creation of Centres of Excellence in specialized fields of mutual interest in Science, Engineering, Technology, Management and Humanities.

II. Finance

- Neither institution shall incur any financial obligations under this agreement. Applications for financial support towards the co-operation and individual activities planned under this agreement will be transparent and undertaken with mutual consent.
- Other sources of finances raised to support these joint projects can be pursued with the knowledge of the other through intimation in writing.

III. Responsibility for implementation

Activities to be organized under this agreement will be the responsibility of the Heads of both institutions or of persons designated by them. National regulations and customs shall be mutually respected.

IV. Duration and Alteration of the Agreement

- The MoU will come into effect on the date of signature by both the parties. The duration is for a period of five years. However, the agreement may be terminated by either party, after the completion of any specific activity / activities in the process with mutual consent.



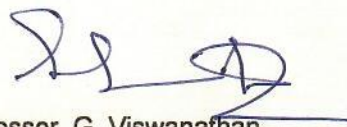
V. Immediate Areas of Cooperation

- Students Exchange
- Faculty Exchange
- Research Collaboration
- Semester Abroad Program
- Faculty Members' Sabbatical

This agreement shall become effective from today the upon signing of this MOU.



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