



**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**Academic and Research Collaboration**  
**between**  
**Rajamangala University of Technology Thanyaburi, Thailand**  
**and**  
**Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai, India**

**Indian Institute of Technology Madras (IITM)**, that has one of its objectives to provide guidance and assistance to other engineering institutions in their endeavor to improve the quality of higher education and research, and **Rajamangala University of Technology Thanyaburi** have agreed to the following protocols governing their collaboration on academic and research related activities:

**Scope**

The Scope of collaboration on academic and research activities in this Memorandum of Understanding includes the following categories:

- Academic and Research collaboration in the areas of mutual interest.
- Exchange of academic information, scholarly information, materials and publications.
- Exchange of students and faculty.
- Sponsorship of cooperative seminars, workshops and other academic meetings.

**Student and Faculty Exchange**

Pursuant to the agreement for academic exchange, Rajamangala University of Technology Thanyaburi and Indian Institute of Technology, Madras will exchange students and faculty according to the terms laid out in Annexure 1. It is desired by both parties that there will be significant flow of students and faculty in both directions.



### Commencement, renewal, termination and amendment

This MOU will come into force upon affixing of the signatures of the representatives of the partner institutions and will remain in effect for five years. This MOU may be renewed upon its expiry, with the agreement of both partner institutions.

If either partner institution wishes to terminate the MOU at the end of the five years period it must notify the other institution not less than six months prior to the expiry of the MOU.

This agreement or its renewal and the actions taken under it may be reviewed at any time. Modifications may be made by mutual agreement and any amendment or extension to the agreement may be formalized by the exchange of letters between the two parties.

Signed :

SIGNATURE:



**Assoc. Prof. Numyoot Songthanapitak, Ph.D.**  
President  
**Rajamangala University of Technology**  
Thanyaburi  
THAILAND

DATE: *June 16, 2008*

Signed :

SIGNATURE:



**Prof. V.G. Idichandy**  
Dean Students  
**Indian Institute of Technology Madras**  
Chennai 600 036  
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DATE: *16 June 2008*



## Annexure 1

1. Students or faculty member entering Indian Institute of Technology, Madras under the student and faculty exchange programme will be classified as special exchange students and faculty. Special exchange students and faculty will be permitted to take courses on credit / audit, as well as participate in research activities / project work.
2. In any case, the consent of the teacher / project supervisors / research supervisors is required. Such consent will take into account among other things whether participants have pre-requisites for the course / project.
3. Neither institution will require admission or tuition fees of exchange students under this MOU.
4. Course credits and grades earned will be determined by the sending institution based on the grade report from the host institution.
5. Each institution will accept up to five participants (students or faculty) each year.
6. Exchange students may not spend more than one year normally in the exchange programme.
7. Participants will be subjected to the rules and regulations of the host institution, in addition to specific rules and regulations, if any, of the host country regarding foreign students studying in the host country will be applicable.

### Selection and nomination

The selection and nomination of students or faculty is open throughout the academic year. The student and faculty nomination should be accompanied by:

- Curriculum vitae.
- Statement of aptitude from a member of the participant's university.
- A specific outline of the programme of study at the host institution and a statement of objectives of the student and faculty.

When a nomination is forwarded by the sending institution, it is presumed that the sending institution considers the student and faculty suitable for the proposed program and consents to send the student and faculty if selected by the host institution.

The host institution will evaluate the nomination and determine their suitability for selection under the Student and Faculty Exchange Program.

Where the exchange student or faculty is pursuing the Master's degree or Doctorate programme, the host institution will provide a suitable faculty member to jointly assist the exchange student and faculty in formulating research project or jointly supervising the exchange student and faculty in the event that a research project has already been identified.

The host institution will inform the home institution of any academic or other problems that may arise during the period of participant's residence in the host institution. The host institution will take appropriate action under its established policy and procedures, in consultation with the home institution to deal with such problems.

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