



## **MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

between

**RWTH International Academy, RWTH Aachen University, Germany  
Institute of General Mechanics, RWTH Aachen University, Germany**

and

**Annamacharya Institute of Technology and Sciences (AITS)  
Rajampet, Andhra Pradesh, India**

It is the desire of the parties named herein that a Memorandum of Understanding ('Memorandum') be formalised based on the headings set out below:

### **1. Parties**

1.1 International Academy RWTH Aachen University, Germany is a school of education directly under RWTH Aachen University, hereinafter referred to as International Academy.

1.2 Institute of General Mechanics, RWTH Aachen University, Germany, is a research institution under RWTH Aachen University, Germany, hereinafter referred to as IAM.

1.3 Annamacharya Institute of Technology and Sciences is a higher education institution located in Rajampet, Andhra Pradesh, India, hereinafter referred to as AITS.

## 2. Statement of Purpose

2.1 International Academy, IAM and AITS recognize that they have many interests in common and that there will be mutual benefits from collaboration and cooperation.

2.2 International Academy, IAM and AITS wish to formalize and standardize the relationship between the parties in order to provide consistency, and a focal point, for the cooperation and administration of programs for collaboration and cooperation.

2.3 This Memorandum provides the mechanism through which the expressed intent of the parties can be realized.

## 3. Objectives

In order to promote international cooperation and to foster mutual interests in education and research in the fields of engineering, health sciences & social sciences, biomechanics, management and education, International Academy, IAM and AITS collectively agree to cooperate in the following activities. Concrete operational cooperation in the given frame of this agreement will be directly organized between the two partners in the same or appropriate fields of research and/or education.

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### a) College Courses - RWTH 3+1+2 Program:

In this program, students in their 3rd year and 4th year take up courses from International Academy for about 15 months on-site. The 3rd and 4th years students earn credits up to 1.5 ECTS and are eligible to receive Certificate from RWTH. Moreover, the bachelor thesis will be jointly supervised with additional credits. The students are eligible to receive Joint Degree Certificate of this program from RWTH and AITS.

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### b) Short Courses:

Short Courses of duration 2, 3, 4 weeks towards enrichment of knowledge, enhance employability and preparation for Master's degree program.

**c) Joint Research**

**d) Faculty Exchange**

3.1 Each of the above programs agreed upon by both parties shall be entered into an agreement as required. Prior to the commencement of each specific program or activity, the terms of its implementation shall be documented in writing, covering but not limited to intellectual property rights and financial arrangements.

3.2 The specific agreement must be formally approved by the Managing Director of International Academy or by his representative, the Director of IAM, or by his representative, and the Executive Director, AITS or his representative.

**4. Coordination of the Memorandum**

4.1 The parties to this Memorandum will, within one month from the signing of the Memorandum, each designate a key contact person who will take responsibility for the development and achievement of the Objectives of this Memorandum.

4.2 Initiatives under this Memorandum for International Academy and IAM will be coordinated via Dr. Sandeep P. Patil (Director of India Office at RWTH International Academy), and for AITS, Dr. N Sivarami Reddy, (Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering) being the coordinator.

**5. Terms and Conditions of this Memorandum**

5.1 The term of this Memorandum shall be five (5) years from the date of the last signature, on the understanding that revision or renewal may be done according to the cooperation needs.

5.2 Either party may terminate this Memorandum at any time by giving not less than six months' notice in writing, though such action will only be taken after consultation among delegates.



## 6. Disclaimer

6.1 Nothing shall diminish the full autonomy of either party nor will any constraints or financial obligations be imposed by either party upon the other in carrying out this Memorandum.

6.2 The parties agree that this Memorandum is not binding and will act only as an interim understanding until further Agreements are reached for the separate activities identified within this Memorandum.



Signed for and on behalf of

RWTH International Academy, RWTH Aachen University, Germany

Witnessed by: **Dr. Helmut Dinger, Managing Director,**  
**RWTH International Academy**

Date: 20.06.2023



Signed for and on behalf of

Institute of General Mechanics, RWTH Aachen University, Germany

Witnessed by: **Prof. Dr.-Ing. Bernd Markert, Director, Institute of**  
**General Mechanics, RWTH Aachen University**

Date: 20.06.2023

For ANNAMACHARYA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCES

*C. Abhishek*  
Executive Director



Signed for and on behalf of  
Annamacharya Institute of Technology and Sciences (AITS), Rajampet,  
Andhra Pradesh, India

Witnessed by: **Shri. Choppa Abhishek Reddy, Executive Director,**  
**AITS, Rajampet, Andhra Pradesh, India**

Date: 4/8/2023

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**University**

Date: 04/08/2023