

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This Memorandum of Understanding (the "MOU") is made and executed by and between:

MAPUA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, hereinafter referred to as "**MAPUA**", an educational institution organized and existing under the laws of the Philippines, with principal office at Muralla Street, Intramuros, Manila, Philippines 1002, herein represented its President, **Dr. Reynaldo B. Vea**;

-and-

VEL TECH RANGARAJAN Dr.SAGUNTHALA R&D INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (VELTECH Dr.RR & Dr.SR UNIVERSITY), hereinafter referred to as "**VELTECH**", a Deemed to be University under the section 3 of UGC Act. 1956, Government of India, with campus at 400 Feet Outer Ring Road – Alamathi, Avadi, Chennai – 600 062, India, herein represented by its Founder Chancellor & President, **Col.Prof.Dr.R.Rangarajan**;

(each referred to as the "**Party**" or collectively as the "**Parties**")

-WITNESSETH: That-

WHEREAS, MAPUA is a premier institution of higher learning in the Philippines with established and well-recognized academic programs in Engineering, Architecture and Design, Science, Information Technology, Health Sciences, Multimedia Arts, Psychology, Business and Management, and various programs in Graduate School;

WHEREAS, VELTECH is an institution in India with recognized academic programs in Engineering, Technology, Management and Media Sciences;

WHEREAS, MAPUA and **VELTECH** desire to collaborate in the exchange of faculty member and students, joint research projects; joint conferences; and joint cultural programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual covenants and undertakings hereinafter set forth, the parties have agreed as follows:

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1.1 This agreement covers the alliance between **MAPUA** and **VELTECH** on the following activities:

- a) Exchange of faculty
- b) Exchange of students
- c) Joint research project
- d) Joint conferences
- e) Joint cultural program

1.2 Parties may enter into subsequent agreements specifying the terms and conditions to implement the above-mentioned activities subject to mutual consent, availability of funds, and the approval of each party.

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2.1 No modification or alteration of any part of this Agreement shall be considered as having made unless executed in writing and duly signed by the parties hereof.

2.2 Neither of the parties shall be liable in any way for failure to observe or perform any provision hereof if such failure shall be caused by any laws, rule or regulation of any constituted public authority or to any cause beyond the control of party in default.

2.3 Any dispute or differences that may arise in the course of implementation or the interpretation of the provisions of this Agreement shall be resolved by the parties through mutual consultations and in good faith.

2.4 Any intellectual property resulting from this Agreement or any subsequent agreement specifying the terms and conditions for the activities herein covered shall be subject to the IP policies of both **MAPUA** and **VELTECH**. In case of conflict between the IP policies, parties shall endeavor to resolve the matter amicably.

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2.5 This agreement shall be valid and in effect for a period of three (3) years, reckoned upon signing of both parties, unless sooner terminated by either party with written notice of at least sixty days (60) prior to intended date of termination without prejudice to activities or obligations already contracted prior to serving the notice of termination.

2.6 The parties may renew this Agreement under the same or modified terms and conditions, as may be agreed upon by the parties, by serving written notice of renewal upon the other party by at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the original term hereof.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, the parties, through their respective representatives have signed this Agreement.

**MAPUA INSTITUTE OF
TECHNOLOGY**

By:

DR. REYNALDO B. VEA
President

Date:

**VELTECH Dr.RR & Dr.SR
UNIVERSITY**

By:



Col. Prof. Dr. R. RANGARAJAN
Founder Chancellor & President

Date:



Vel Tech
Rangarajan Dr. Sagunthala
R&D Institute of Science and Technology
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Mapua Institute of Technology, Philippines

Name of the Research Institute/University/ Organization	Country	Duration of the Agreement	Academic Year	Date of Signing	Date of Expiry	
Mapua Institute of Technology	Philippines	3 Years	2016-17	15.02.2017	14.02.2020	Student & Joint research conferences programs

Actual Activities with Mapua Institute of Technology, Philippines

A.Y. 2018-19	2 Faculties from Civil & CSE selected under Mapua Faculty Exchange Program
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MoU Coordinator





Dean - International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>

RE: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph>

28 August 2019 at 08:46

To: "Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai" <dint@veltech.edu.in>

Dear Dr. Sivaperumal,

My sincerest apologies for not getting back to you the soonest. We are done evaluating the CVs and I am glad to inform you that we are accepting your nomination. I will process the invitation letters and send them to you the soonest.

Best regards,

Eira Camus

From: Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>**Sent:** Monday, August 26, 2019 9:19 PM**To:** Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph>**Subject:** Re: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Dear Madam Rosette Eira,

Greetings from Vel Tech!

Looking forward to hear from you regarding the update in the Submitted proposals.

Thanks,

With kind regards

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On Tue, 9 Jul 2019 at 10:11, Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph> wrote:

Dear Dr. Sivaperumal,

Thank you for sending your nomination. I will forward this to our Academic office for assessment and get back to you for more details.

Best regards,

Eira

Eira Espejo-Camus

Director for International Career and Exchange Programs

From: Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>

Sent: Monday, July 8, 2019 8:25:55 PM

To: Rosette Eira E. Camus

Subject: Re: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Dear Madam Rosette Eira,

Greetings from Vel Tech!

With reference to your email dated 6th June, 2019, we are nominating the following faculty members for Visiting Faculty positions at your esteemed University.

Sl. No	Name of the Applicant	Designation	Department	Proposal Period
1	Dr. K. R. Aswin Sidhaarth	Associate Professor	Civil Engineering	February to April, 2020
2	Dr. K.Meena	Associate Professor	Computer Science and Engineering	May to July, 2020

We have attached the curriculum vitae of the Applicants. Please advise us for further process.

Thank you very much for the great opportunity once again.

Looking forward to hear from you.

Thanks,

With kind regards

**Dr. S.
Sivaperumal** [e: dint@veltech.edu.in](mailto:dint@veltech.edu.in)

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On Thu, 6 Jun 2019 at 13:38, Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph> wrote:

Dear Dr. S.

I'll wait for your nomination then.

Best regards,

Eira

From: Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>

Sent: Thursday, June 6, 2019 3:21 PM

To: Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph>

Subject: Re: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Dear Madam Rosette

Thank you for the response.

We will circulate the information among the faculty members and revert.

Thanks,

With kind regards

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On Thu, 6 Jun 2019 at 12:18, Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph> wrote:

Dear Dr. Sivaperumal,

To answer your questions:

1. Is there some specific period of 3 months (Starting and End date) – yes, our academic calendar are as follows:

- a. 1st Quarter – August to October
- b. 2nd Quarter – November to January
- c. 3rd Quarter – February to April
- d. 4th Quarter – May to July

2. Is it possible to let us know the Honorarium amount? – yes, it will be possible once we know the rank of the faculty which is why we request for the CV. We will evaluate and check the applicable rate for the faculty.

3. Honorarium varies based on their Designation like Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor? – yes. It also varies on the number of equivalent units the professor will be handling.

4. Faculty members presently pursuing their Ph.D can also apply? We prefer that they are Ph.D holders already but yes we will accept those that are also pursuing their PhD

5. How many hours of teaching per week? Depends on the number of units. One unit is equivalent to 1.5 teaching hours per week. So if he will be given two courses equivalent to 6 units, then that is 9 teaching hours per week.

6. Is there some scope for doing Research with your faculty members? – yes definitely! As long as he has a common research interest with our faculty, then they can do research collaboration.

Hope this clarifies. If you have further clarifications, please feel free to email me. I will be glad to answer ☺

Looking forward to your nomination!

Best regards,

Eira

From: Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>

Sent: Thursday, June 6, 2019 1:49 PM

To: Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph>

Subject: Re: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Dear Madam

Thanks for the update.

Regarding the Visiting faculty, i am sure, we will try and nominate one or two faculty members. This will be a good start of other exchanges and also research.

I have few questions on the visiting faculty before we start our process

1. Is there some specific period of 3 months (Starting and End date)
2. Is it possible to let us know the Honorarium amount?
3. Honorarium varies based on their Designation like Professor, Associate Professor and Assistant Professor?
4. Faculty members presently pursuing their Ph.D can also apply?
5. How many hours of teaching per week?
6. Is there some scope for doing Research with your faculty members?

Looking forward to hearing from you

Thanks,

With kind regards

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On Thu, 6 Jun 2019 at 10:29, Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph> wrote:

Dear Dr. Sivaperumal,

My apologies for what happened two years ago. I may have overlooked the email and hence failed to respond. Hopefully, that incident will not be taken against me or Mapua.

Anyway, we could work on the lab research attachment for your students. If you have any nominations, please let me know so I can find the right adviser here. Unfortunately, we don't offer any scholarship grants for inbound exchange programs. Our inbound research interns usually have their scholarship grants provided by government or organizations like Erasmus.

Rest assured, we will also promote Vel Tech to our students and nominate to you those that will signify intent. As for the faculty exchange, we typically provide accommodation, airfare and honoraria for a term exchange. If there will be someone who will be interested to spend 3 months with us, you can nominate and share with us the CV so we can assess if we have course offering we can let him handle for that term.

Hopefully, we can initiate activities soon.

Best regards,

Eira

From: Director International Relations Vel Tech, Chennai <dint@veltech.edu.in>

Sent: Thursday, June 6, 2019 12:44 PM

To: Rosette Eira E. Camus <reecamus@mapua.edu.ph>

Subject: Re: Vel Tech, India - International Relations - Bulletin 5

Dear Madam Rosette

Thanks for the email and for the kind words. Yes, there has been no activities on our MoU. We are eagerly looking forward to activate the MoU activities.

Actually, we have been seriously motivating our students to take up Mapua exchange programmes, but unfortunately we could not get any students. Some two years ago, there were few Mechanical Students given interest to come to Mapua and if i remember correctly we did not get any response from Mapua. Also, we have few scholarship schemes for our outgoing students (which cover at-least the return air-fare) and would like to ask you about the possible fundings for our students to come to Mapua. More importantly, our Under Graduate students comes during their final year (4th Year) of study to take up lab / research attachment and they will submit thesis to Vel Tech based on their work. This could be part of the on-going research works of the faculty members and the students work in team (maximum 3 students per team).

Also, we would also be happy to welcome your students to Vel Tech under exchange either for course work or for thesis work at all levels - UG, PG and PhD. You could find details at <https://www.veltech.edu.in/students-exchange-programme/>.

Similarly, we are keen to work on the Faculty exchange activities. We have Visiting Faculty scheme and the details are available at <https://www.veltech.edu.in/visiting-faculty/>.

If you have such a visiting faculty scheme or requirement, please share the details.