

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

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

and

**The Apollo University (TAU)
Chittoor, 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 The Apollo University is a higher education institution located in Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh, India, hereinafter referred to as TAU.

2. Statement of Purpose

2.1 International Academy, IAM and TAU 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 TAU 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 specializations include but are not restricted to Biomechanics, Data Science, Information Technology, Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, Cyber Security, Management, Health Science and Social Science, International Academy, IAM and TAU, 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.

a) University programs: RWTH 3+1+2 program

In this program, TAU students in their 2nd, 3rd and 4th year of undergraduate program take up courses from International Academy for 6 to 9 months on site. The 2nd, 3rd and 4th year students earn credits up to 40.5 ECTS and are eligible to receive Certificates from RWTH. Moreover, the bachelor thesis will be jointly supervised and assessed, with additional credits. The students are eligible to receive Joint Degree Certificates of this program from RWTH and TAU.

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 Vice Chancellor, TAU 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 TAU, Dr. M. Potha Raju, (Registrar) being the coordinator.

5. Terms and Conditions of this Memorandum

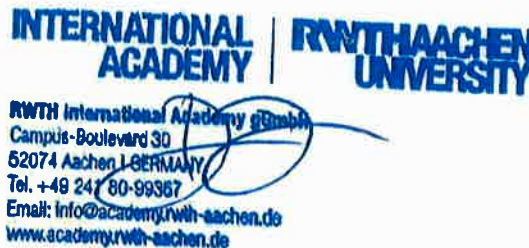
5.1 The term of this Memorandum shall be five (5) years from the date of the last signature, on the understanding that revision or renewal may be done according to the cooperation needs.

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:



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:

Vice-Chancellor
THE APOLLO UNIVERSITY
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Signed for and on behalf of
The Apollo University (TAU), Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh, India

Witnessed by: **Dr. H. Vinod Bhat, Vice Chancellor, The Apollo University (TAU), Chittoor, Andhra Pradesh, India**

Date: 12.07.2023

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Witnessed by: **Dr.-Ing. Sandeep P. Patil, Director of India Office at RWTH International Academy, Group Leader at RWTH Aachen University**

Date: 12/07/2023