

Cooperation Agreement

between

Part A:

RWTH International Academy gGmbH

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Part B:

Aditya Engineering College (AEC)

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Preamble

The two parties agree on the following terms based on the principle of friendly consultation and sincere cooperation:

§ 10bject of agreement

AEC and **RWTH International Academy gGmbH** agree to qualify undergraduate students in the "RWTH 4+2 Program". Within the framework of the program, students are to fulfill admission requirements for one of the following international Master's degree programs of RWTH Aachen University in the field of Engineering and Management & Engineering and subsequently start their Master's degree program at RWTH Aachen University.

- M.Sc. Computer Aided Conception and Production in Mechanical Engineering
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Computer Aided Mechanical Engineering

- M.Sc. Smart Production Engineering
- M.Sc. Management and Engineering in Production Systems
- M.Sc. Robotic Systems Engineering
- M.Sc. Textile Engineering

All future Master's degree programs that are still in development are included in this listing.

§ 2 Formal structure and scope of the RWTH 4+2 Program

- (1) The RWTH 4+2 Program has a duration up to 4 years. Participants complete the program along-side their undergraduate studies.
- (2) The RWTH 4+2 Program consists of five science and engineering courses offered by RWTH Aachen University. The courses are designed in close cooperation with the directors of the institutes at RWTH Aachen University.
- (3) All five courses will be provided each year.
- (4) The courses will be delivered in a digital format and with interactive components.
- (5) Participants who successfully complete the courses and pass the exams will be awarded at least 30 credit points (according to the European Credit Transfer System standard) in the form of certificates.
- (6) After successfully passing the RWTH 4+2 Program, participants then apply for one of the Master's degree programs listed under § 1. Participants must submit the following documents in English when applying for a Master's degree program:
 - a. Transcript of records
 - b. Proof of professional experience of at least 6 months*
 - c. CV
 - d. Motivation letter
 - e. Two letters of recommendation
 - f. Bachelor degree certificate**
 - g. Proof of English language proficiency (TOEFL internet-based minimum of 90 pts or academic IELTS minimum overall band 5.5)**
 - * Proof of 12 months of professional experience must be provided at the time of enrollment.
 - ** Must not be present until enrollment.
- (7) Qualified participants will be admitted to the Master's degree programs (see § 1). The admitted students will complete the Master's program at RWTH Aachen University within 2 years.

§ 3 Qualification of the participants

- (1) AEC will select excellent undergraduate students who a pursuing a Bachelor's program in Mechanical Engineering, Civil Engineering or a related discipline (e.g. Automotive, Aerospace or Energy Engineering, Manufacturing, Structural, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Electronics and Communication Engineering, Industrial or Production Engineering).
- (2) Participants must prove themselves as qualified students through a letter of recommendation and provide an English test at the level of at least B2. Students must also have sufficient work experience: 3 months work experience for students in the penultimate year of their Bachelor's program and 6 months work experience for students in their final year or Bachelor's graduates.

§ 4 Program fees

- (1) The program fees for the RWTH 4+2 Program are currently EUR 8,000.
- (2) The tuition fees for a Master's degree program in Engineering or Management & Engineering are currently EUR 22,000 Euro (4 semesters).
- (3) The program fees for the RWTH 4+2 Program will be transferred by each participant to the account of RWTH International Academy.
- (4) RWTH International Academy reserves the right to adjust the fees for all its programs if circumstances indicate that higher costs are to be expected. An adjustment will be made after written explication to AEC.

§ 5 Obligations of RWTH International Academy

- (1) RWTH International Academy is responsible for the implementation of the RWTH 4+2 Program and the Master's degree programs listed under § 1.
- (2) RWTH International Academy advises and supports all applicants and participants in all organizational matters.
- (3) RWTH International Academy monitors the quality of all programs and assures a high level of quality in the various elements. RWTH International Academy vouches for the programs with regard to the quality requirements of RWTH Aachen University for further education.
- (4) RWTH International Academy informs applicants about all services, their rights and obligations when participating in the programs.
- (5) RWTH International Academy offers 5 scholarships of 50 % each year for students of AEC.
- (6) RWTH International Academy offers at least 10 study places in the Master's degree program listed under § 1 for students who have successfully passed the RWTH 4+2 Program.

§ 6 Obligations of AEC

- (1) AEC is responsible for the selection of applicants for the RWTH 4+2 Program.
- (2) AEC has to make transparent that a program fee is charged for the RWTH 4+2 Program.

- (3) AEC undertakes to inform all participants that they have to conclude a separate participation agreement with RWTH International Academy.
- (4) AEC agrees to provide at least one qualified student to participate in the GEC program for a period of three years (GEC 2023-2025).

§ 7 Intellectual Property, Copyright

All training materials (whether on paper or in any other conceivable form such as video or audio material) are protected by copyright. The training materials and all other documents, graphics, images, sound recordings and other forms of information provided by the institutes of RWTH Aachen University, RWTH International Academy or its representatives may only be copied, distributed, or used in any other way with the explicit written consent of the institutes of RWTH Aachen University and RWTH International Academy.

§ 8 Data protection

RWTH International Academy and AEC treat all personal data confidentially and only use it in accordance with the provisions of data protection law. Personal data will be stored and used for organizational purposes in order to inform in the future about offers of AEC or RWTH International Academy. All participating students have the right to withdraw their consent to the storage and use of their data in writing form at any time.

§ 9 Confidentiality

Both partners undertake to maintain confidentiality about all information and knowledge of the program and not to disclose any information to third parties.

§ 10 Duration, Terms and Termination

- (1) This agreement shall be effective for three years from the date of the last signature. After each year, the parties shall undertake a joint evaluation in order to improve and successfully develop the cooperation.
- (2) All partners reserve the right to terminate the agreement for serious reasons at any time. Serious reasons are unforeseeable cases, e.g. political changes or non-payments. Termination and withdrawal from the RWTH 4+2 Program must be made in writing by one of the two parties, observing a six-month notice period to the other party.
- (3) If the termination date falls during the program phase of the RWTH 4+2 Program, the agreement shall be terminated at the end of the respective program phase. All current obligations shall be fulfilled.
- (4) Rights arising from this agreement may not be transferred to third parties.

§ 11 Controlling Laws

- (1) Before resorting to external dispute resolution mechanisms, the parties shall attempt to resolve all disputes relating to this Agreement through negotiation.
- (2) At all times RWTH International Academy has to perform under this agreement and RWTH International Academy's obligations shall be subject to and be controlled by legislations of the Federal Republic of Germany.
- (3) At all times AEC has to perform under this agreement and AEC's obligations shall be subject to and be controlled by the legislations of Government of India.

§ 12 Place of fulfilment and legal venue

The place of fulfilment and legal venue shall be Aachen, Germany.

§ 13 Severability Clause

If any provision of this agreement and/or any individual agreement based on it is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable in whole or in part under any applicable enactment or rules of law, such illegality, invalidity or unenforceability shall not affect the remainder of this agreement, and the parties shall attempt in good faith to substitute a legal, valid and enforceable provision which achieves to the nearest extent possible the same effect as would have been achieved by the illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision.

Signatures

For RWTH International Academy gGmbH

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