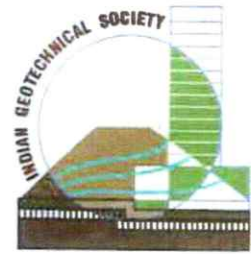




AGREEMENT OF COOPERATION
between
the Geo-Institute of ASCE of the United States of America
(hereinafter called G-I)
and
the Indian Geotechnical Society
(hereinafter called IGS)



1.0 Context

The mission of the G-I is: The Geo-Institute will address the challenges of the geoprofession and enhance the value of geoprofessionals.

The mission of the IGS is to provide up to date technical and scientific information to contribute to the improvement of knowledge easily available for the profession.

G-I and IGS have entered into this Agreement of Cooperation to:

- promote, facilitate, and expand the exchange of technical, scientific, professional and organizational knowledge to better serve the interests and welfare of their members, the engineering profession in general, and the public in both countries.
- enhance each organization's position in the international geo-scientific community through coordinated actions.

2.0 Scope

- 2.1 This agreement covers the activities of G-I and the activities of IGS; both organizations are especially interested and willing to work together on international issues wherever deemed appropriate.
- 2.2 The spirit of this agreement is to encourage and support members of the partner organizations to uphold and advance the integrity, honor and dignity of the geotechnical profession by using their knowledge and skill for the enhancement of human welfare; by being honest and impartial and serving with fidelity the public, their employers and clients; by striving to increase the competence and prestige of the profession; and by supporting the professional and technical societies of their disciplines.

3.0 Aims

The primary aims of this agreement are the expansion and improvement of cooperation

between the two organizations, as summarized below:

- 3.1 Exchange of information regarding the geotechnical profession in general.
- 3.2 Encouragement for the exchange and republishing of articles, papers and information under preferred terms and in accordance with an agreement specific to each case, provided appropriate measures are taken to identify authors, protect their rights, and, if required, obtain prior permission of authors.
- 3.3 Encouragement of joint publication and the exchange of publication information lists and publication of these lists on a timely fashion so that members of both organizations are aware of technical publications of each society.
- 3.4 Encouragement and facilitation of joint conferences and events of all kinds, exchange of lectures and guests, and exchange of information regarding scientific and technical events, which are of mutual interest.
- 3.5 Each organization is encouraged to provide information to its members and promote them to become a member of the partner organization, including student members.
- 3.6 Development of mutual technical advice, especially in all areas of international technical and scientific matters to the extent provided by each organization to its own members.

4.0 Implementation

- 4.1 Each partner will extend every effort to establish contacts for the other partner with other engineering/scientific organizations and bodies in its home country.
- 4.2 G-I and IGS will encourage participation of their members in each other's annual conference and will make an effort to have a Board member participate in each other's Annual meeting.
- 4.3 It is anticipated that by correspondence and personal visits of representatives of both organizations, additional methods and ways of cooperation to achieve mutually beneficial cooperation will be pursued.
- 4.4 Both partners will actively support close cooperation of their technical divisions and committees.
- 4.5 The two partners agree that the official visits of persons invited by the governing body of the host country will work as described hereunder, on a reciprocal basis:

- the traveling expenses between the two countries will be borne by the partner sending the person(s) to the other country;
- the medical fees in case of emergency will be borne by the visiting person and/or his/her insurance;

5.0 Execution, Duration and Amendment

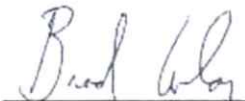
- 5.1 This agreement will become valid after it has been approved by the governing bodies of both organizations and signed by authorized officers thereof.
- 5.2 The agreement has a fixed duration of three years, whereupon it will automatically be renewed for another three years unless either organization gives notice to the other three months before its expiry for its termination.
- 5.3 In the implementation of this agreement any supplemental terms in accordance with the articles of this agreement shall be agreed and entered into by the President of the G-I and the President of IGS.
- 5.4 Amendments to the agreement may be made at any time, and to be implemented shall be mutually confirmed in writing by both organizations.

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