IIIT Delhi's Fourth Newsletter

We are pleased to bring out the fourth edition of IIIT-Delhi's electronic newsletter, which covers key developments in the institute spanning the last six months, including the 3rd convocation, several new faculty members we welcomed into the family, laurels won, highlights of placements for the year, and our increased presence at the national and international stage. This edition of our bi-annual e-magazine will familiarize you with our impressive growth story and give you a glimpse of recent events on the road to providing quality education and doing cutting edge research in information technology.

3rd Convocation of the Institute

The third convocation of the institute was held on August 31, 2014. The chief guest of the convocation this year was Mr. Sunil Kant Munjal, Joint Managing Director of Hero MotoCorp Ltd. The convocation, began with an invocation song, followed by the chairman of the Board of Governors Mr. Kiran Karnik declaring the convocation open. The director, Prof. Pankaj Jalote then presented his report. Students and the parents both found great inspiration and deep resonance in the words of our chairman Mr. Kiran Karnik, who articulated his vision of the new path for the graduating class, as they made their foray into the real world. The Chief guest for the occasion Shri. SK Munjal celebrated the spirit of IIIT-D, calling it "an island of excellence". Prof. Jalote emphasized on the institute's key focus- IT education and research and advised young students to strive for periodic reinvention of themselves and for "serial mastery", in all aspects of their work life. Read more

INOI Preparatory Workshop, In Collaboration with IARCS Conducted by IIIT-Delhi

Prof. Pankaj Jalote, has initiated several innovative outreach programmes for the student community. IIIT-D conducted a mentorship and training workshop for school students in Delhi who aspire to succeed in the Indian National Olympiad in Informatics (INOI). The workshop was conducted under the supervision of faculty from IIIT-Delhi and IIT Delhi. This successful event had presence from student hopefuls preparing for the Zonal Computing Olympiad, from which students are selected to participate in the Indian National Olympiad in Informatics. IARCS, which organizes INOI, provided assistance for this workshop. Prof. Pankaj Jalote speaking on the occasion told young students and engineering aspirants that IIIT-Delhi is committed towards making all efforts to strengthen a culture of using IT as a problem solving tool. IIITD students mentored school students and engaged actively with them through out the workshop.

IIIT-D's First Centre of Excellence – 'Cybersecurity Education & Research Centre'

Upcoming Events

30-31st January 2015
Odyssey, the Cultural Fest

14th February 2015
3rd Security and Privacy Symposium

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(CERC) - Update

Dr. K.D. Nayak, Director General, DRDO, inaugurated the physical space at CERC. Dr. Athithan, Director Scientific Analysis Group, (SAG), and Mr. Susheel Verma, Director Cybersecurity, DRDO were also present at #CERCatIIITD. Prof. Pankaj Jalote, Director IIIT-D, and Prof. Rahul Purandare, CERC also in the picture with Ponnurangam Kumaraguru, Founding Head CERC and Assistant Professor at IIIT-D. Dr. Nayak also addressed the students on Cybersecurity, Challenges and opportunities for India. Read More

IIIT-D Awards its First Ph.Ds.

Achieving yet another milestone in academic excellence and upholding it's commitment to research, IIIT-D has awarded its first Ph.Ds. to research scholars Kuldeep and Himanshu Sharad Bhatt, who were admitted to the pioneering CS Ph.D. batch in 2009. With this, in just over 5 years, the institute has graduated students in all three higher education degrees - Bachelors, Masters and Ph.D.

Student Awards

Our students distinguished themselves yet again by winning several awards. Himanshu Sharad Bhatt received the Best Doctoral Dissertation Award by the Indian Unit of Pattern Recognition and Artificial Intelligence (IUPRAI) at ICVGIP2014. Gaurav Goswami received the third prize at the IDRBT Doctoral Colloquium 2014. And a team comprising of Ankush, Shubha and Vivek received the Best Poster award at IEEE ANTS 2014. Read More

New Faculty at IIIT-D

IIIT-D welcomed six full-time faculty members into it's family - Dr. Pravesh Biyani, Dr. Chetan Arora, Dr. Sambuddho Chakravarty, Dr. Ojaswa Sharma, Dr. Sachit Butail, Dr. Anand Srivastava. With all of them holding Ph.D.s from prestigious institutions in India and abroad, IIIT Delhi now has over 40 permanent, 14 adjunct and 10 visiting faculty members And is the preferred institution for committed scholars, in IT education and research. Read More

Faculty Research Fellowship

IIIT-D congratulates and celebrates the work of three faculty members, recipients of the faculty research fellowship Ponnurangam Kumaraguru, Richa Singh and Mayank Vatsa. The Faculty Research Fellowship (FRF), is an initiative at IIIT-D, to recognize the excellent work being done by existing faculty members who have completed four years of full time active, service at IIIT-D. Dr. Ponnurangam has received the Hemant Bharat Ram Faculty Research Fellowship, Dr. Richa Singh, is the recipient of the TV Mohandas Pai Faculty Research Fellowship and Dr. Mayank has been awarded the AR Krishnaswamy Faculty Research Fellowship in recognition and support of their work at the institute and for continued research and teaching engagement.

Winter School

IIIT-D hosted the IEEE SPS-APSIPA Winter School on Machine Intelligence and Signal Processing, from December 20-23, 2014. The winter school was designed on topic of machine learning and signal processing. This school brought together world class academicians and researchers to teach the latest in machine intelligence and signal processing, in a first ever event, to impart machine learning and signal processing education to students and young professionals. Covering topics like Computer Vision, Statistical Signal Processing, Social Learning, Bio-informatics, Compressed Sensing, Matrix Completion, Biometrics, Big Data, Medical Imaging, Video Processing. Read more

IIITD Global Presence

Dr. Pankaj Jalote delivered his remarks as a panelist at World Engineering Education Forum (WEEF) 2014, Dubai: on the theme "Building Engineering Excellence in Resource Scarce Environments". IIITD also had a strong presence this year at the India-U.S. Technology Summit jointly organised by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), in partnership with the Government of India's Department of Science & Technology (DST) from 18th – 19th November . United States was the partner country for this year's 20th edition of the Technology Summit. A large number of industry leaders, innovators, researchers, academics, and government officials came together to share and showcase successful technology stories and strategies solutions. The IIITD booth was facilitated by the department of Technical Training and Education (TTE) and received many young researchers who were keen to know more about our work. Prof. Jalote made his remarks on the high level strategy panel on, "How to boost India-U.S. Partnership in manufacturing, trade & investments in Information Technology Sector". Our chairman Mr. Kiran Karnik was the moderator of the panel, which addressed key industry concerns on actualizing India's internet economy potential.

Placement '14 Update

The placement record for the batch graduating in 2014 for 148 Students was yet again impressive and at par with the best institutions in the country. With 57 companies vising us, over 155 Offers were received by our students, including 24 Overseas offers. The highest salary (overseas) : Rs 33 Lacs (In-Campus), and USD 100,000 (Off –Campus). The Highest B.Tech. Salary (Indian) : 19.5 Lacs with an Average BTech Salary: 13.57 Lacs. Our average international salary was: 33.87 Lacs. We at IIITD believe that with good intentions and institutional support from the government and exceptional mentorship and leadership through professional and competent administration, change is possible and much can be achieved in India, for India by Indians. Read More

Alumni Meet 2014

The 2nd alumni meet was held on 21st December and attended by over 50 graduated students from different batches of our BTech, MTech and PhD programs. It was a day-long event with multiple interactive sessions facilitated by

Prof. Jalote and the alumni co-ordinator Dr. Richa Singh. Brainstorming sessions took place on strengthening the engagement between the alumni and the institute. And various ideas were tabled. Alumni including Naman Jain, Yash Seth, Tanmay Verma, Sunpreet Arora, Divya Bansal, Bhanu Verma shared their previous fun-filled experiences in "walking down the memory lane sessions". The alumni expressed their appreciation and expressed their willingness to continue extending their support to the institute. Read more.

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