

Global Initiative for Academic Networks (GIAN)

Government of India has launched a new initiative Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) that provides for international faculty to participate in the skilling of India on very attractive terms.

Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) seeks to invite distinguished academicians, entrepreneurs, scientists, experts including Indian Diaspora from premier institutions across the world to teach in the higher educational institutions in India during summer and winter breaks.

Objectives

The proposed GIAN is envisaged to achieve the following objectives:

- To increase the footfalls of reputed international faculty in the Indian academic institutes.
- Provide opportunity for sharing knowledge and teaching skills in cutting edge areas.
- To provide opportunity to Indian students to seek knowledge and experience from reputed International faculty.
- To create avenue for possible collaborative research with the international faculty.
- Motivate the best international experts in the world to work on problems related to India.
- Develop high quality course material in niche areas, both through video and print that can be used by a larger body of students and teachers.
- To document and develop new pedagogic methods in emerging topics of national and international interest.

GIAN is presently open for collaboration in the following fields:

- (i) Physical Sciences
- (ii) Chemical, Bio-Chemical & Material Sciences
- (iii) Mathematical & Computer Sciences
- (iv) Life Sciences, Medicine & Healthcare
- (v) Electronics, Electrical, Information & Communication Technology
- (vi) Mechanical Sciences & Infrastructure
- (vii) Earth & Environment Sciences
- (viii) Management
- (ix) Social Sciences and Law
- (x) Humanities & Liberal Arts
- (xi) Architecture, Design, Planning and Heritage
- (xii) Other Categories / Interdisciplinary categories.

Remuneration and terms:

Identified international faculty in the above fields would be paid a lump-sum amount of up to US\$ 8000 for 12 to 14 hours of contact and up to US\$ 12000 for 20 to 28 hours of contact would be paid covering their travel and honorarium. Local hospitality will be arranged by the Host Institution. The duration (number of weeks/days) can be mutually decided by the host institution and the visiting faculty.

List of Higher Education Institutes under GIAN

All Indian Institutes of Technology, all Indian Institutes of Management institutes, National Institutes of Technology, Central Universities, Indian Institute of Bangalore, all Indian Institutes of Information Technology and all Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research.

Collaboration possibilities:

This scheme is open to institutes in India and Russia who are free to approach each other with ideas of collaboration. Any Russian faculty interested in collaboration can either write directly to the institution or to the Embassy to Counsellor(S&T), Embassy of India, giving details of the field that they would be interested in teaching, the Institute, time frame and the period that they would like to teach.

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