Brainstorming Session:
Establishing an Industry/University Cooperative Center for Research in Software Technologies
Saturday, November 15, 2003. 8:30am-5:30pm
Venue: Senate Room BITS, Pilani, Rajasthan

Agenda

8:30-9:00am Arrival and Registration

9am Welcome Remarks
S. Venkateswaran, Director, BITS

9:15-9:45am Software Technologies Research Center: A Proposal
Aditya Mathur, Visiting Professor, BITS, Pilani

*All presentations are sequenced in alphabetic order.*

9:45-1:00pm Research needs of the IT Industry: Moderator: Aditya Mathur
09:45 BirlaSoft [Gautam Banerjee]
10:00 CEERI [Chandra Shekhar]
10:15 Honeywell [Kirti]
10:30 IBM [Guru Prasad and Rajendra Bera. There are two presentations from different divisions of IBM.]
11:00 iFlex Solutions [Vijay Sharma]
11:15 Infosys [Subu Gopalaraju]
11:30 Mahindra BT [Ravi Jain]
11:45 Patni Computers [Deepak Ranade]
12:00 Pramati Technologies [Ramesh Loganathan]
12:15 Satyam [Kiran Cavale]
12:30 TCS [Kesav V. Nori]
12:45 Wipro [S. M. Balasubramaniyan]

Tea/Coffee served at 10:15am

1:00-2:00pm Lunch at BITS Cafeteria

2:15-3:45pm IT Research Competence in Academia. Moderator: V. S. Rao
2:15 Banasthali Vidyapeeth (Aditya Shastri)
2:30 BITS [Sunder Balasubramanian]
2:45 Delhi College of Engineering [Goldi Gabrani]
3:00 IIT Bangalore [K. V. Dinesha]
3:15 IIT Delhi [Dheeraj Bharadwaj]
3:30 IIT Kanpur [Harish Karnick]

Tea/Coffee served at 3:30pm

3:45-4:15pm A View from the Government and a Research Laboratory: Moderator: Ranendra Saha
Om Vikas and P. K. Chaturvedi, Director, TDIL Programme, MIT
4:15pm-5:15pm  **Round table discussion**  
**Moderator: Aditya Mathur**
*Tea/coffee served during the discussion.*

5:15pm-5:30pm  **Summary and a plan for the future**
**Adjourn**

5:30-6pm  **Presenting the BITS Model of Education**
**K. E. Raman, Deputy Director, BITS, Pilani**
*Interested Participants: Please inform Aditya Mathur in case you would like to attend this special session.*

**Campus Visit [H. S. Moondra and M. K. Kashiramka]**
*This will be arranged for interested participants. BITS has a beautiful campus and several places are worth visiting. The visit could be planned in the evening of November 15 or the morning of November 16.*

**Note to the presenters:**

- A desktop with Windows XP, a laptop with Mac OS 10.2 presentation facilities will be available.

- **Presenters from the industry:** Kindly take at most 15 minutes to introduce your company very briefly and summarize potential research areas where your company would like to collaborate with the academia.

- **Presenters from academia:** Kindly take at most 15 minutes to summarize research interests and competence of the faculty in your institution in IT-related areas.

- **Presenters from the Government:** Kindly take at most 15 minutes to discuss ways by which the Government of India would be able to assist in the establishment and operation of such an industry/university collaborative research effort.

**End of Tentative Agenda**
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