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   IIIT 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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