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Gomateshwara Statue, Karkala.**

*Built in 1432 CE, the 583 year old monolith
in Karkala is the second tallest Bahubali
statue in the world which is highly revered
by the Jain Community.*

*Karkala is a beautiful town situated
just an hour's drive away from Manipal.*





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One Future At A Time With DAAD



The German Academic Exchange Service, known in India as DAAD is the largest funding organisations in the world for the international exchange of students and researchers. DAAD, founded in 1925, has a long tradition of uniting people and academia worldwide. The DAAD regional office in New Delhi was established in 1960 and promotes the academic exchange between Germany and India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka.

The focus areas of the DAAD in India is to promote young academic talent, to enhance higher education cooperation and provide knowledge on the higher education system in Germany. One of its core activities is to provide individual scholarships for young academicians and scientists. One of the flagship programmes among many others is the PhD scholarship to support doctoral projects in Germany for up to 4 years. The programme is announced annually with an application deadline in October.

Another important field of activity is to promote and support university co-operation projects between higher education institutions in Germany and universities in India, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Nepal and Sri Lanka. The DAAD provides numerous funding schemes that aim to foster cooperation among higher education institutions. Understanding the importance of 'blended mobility', enabled by international cooperation and virtual exchange, especially in times of pandemic, the DAAD launched last year a new programme "International Virtual Academic Collaboration (IVAC)". The program supports universities in developing and expanding international higher education partnerships by tapping digital possibilities. The partner universities get the opportunity to integrate virtual collaboration formats into their courses and curriculum.

The DAAD regional office in New Delhi also provides expertise for international education and is engaged in policy dialogues with stakeholders nationally and internationally. In September 2021, we hosted a workshop on "Double Degree / Joint Degree and Cotutelle Programmes at master's and PhD level: Indo-German Perspectives and Approaches" where we discussed legal barriers in setting up such programmes between universities in India and Germany. An international online conference on 'Connecting Germany and South Asia - The Future of Higher Education and Research Cooperation', from 18-20 October 2021, addressing different aspects of internationalisation including student mobility, internationalisation at home, international research cooperation, capacity building, the role of alumni, credit transfer systems, digitalisation and many more.

The DAAD creates structures and promotes Internationalisation for higher education in Germany and throughout the world and provides support and advice to higher education institutions as they implement their own internationalisation strategies. In this context, we continue our series of workshops with a seminar on "Internationalisation of Higher Education: Structures of International offices and imparting internationalisation at home" in November 2021.

In addition, we regularly run digital information sessions and one on one counselling for students, who want to go to Germany for their higher studies. Web sessions for researchers and faculty, alumni meet, the annual Falling Walls Lab and proposal writing workshops are a few more activities that completes our portfolio.

Last but not least the German Center for Research and Innovation (DWIH) New Delhi is managed by the DAAD regional office in New Delhi. Together with German institutions present in India the DWIH provides a platform for exchange and cooperation in research and innovation.

For regular DAAD news and events one may visit www.daad.in and follow us on our social media channels:

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Dr Katja Lasch



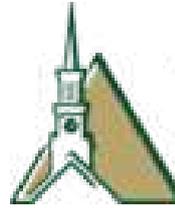
Dr. Katja Lasch,
Director, DAAD

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New Partnerships



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Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato



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OSA Senior Member Designation comes home at DAMP, MAHE with Dr Ajeetkumar Patil



Dr Ajeetkumar Patil, Associate Professor, Department of Atomic and Molecular Physics (DAMP), MAHE, Manipal has received prestigious "OSA Senior Member designation" from The Optical Society (OSA). This year, OSA Board of Directors recognized 196 global researchers for 2021 Class of Senior Members based on the contribution, professional accomplishments in the field of optics and photonics. Dr Patil is the only researcher from a non-government institution among eleven Indian researchers who received this recognition for the year 2021. Dr Patil also received senior member status from International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE), USA in 2018.

OSA was founded 100 years ago as The Optical Society of America and has evolved into a global enterprise serving a worldwide constituency. OSA - The Optical Society has been the world's leading champion for optics and photonics, uniting and educating scientists, engineers, educators, technicians and business leaders worldwide to foster and promote technical and professional development.

OSA Senior Membership designation is given to well-established individuals that recognizes their experience and professional accomplishments or service within the optics and photonics field that sets them apart from their peers. Senior Membership is the highest distinction for which members can apply and reflects professional maturity and experience.

Dr Melisa's promising work is a big leap in Science



Dr Melisa Jovita Andrade
PhD Scholar at the Manipal School
of Life Sciences,
Manipal

Dr Melisa Jovita Andrade, PhD Scholar at the Manipal School of Life Sciences, Manipal had completed her PhD Degree as MAHE's 1st Joint-Doctoral program (Joint PhD) between Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE), Manipal, India, and Queensland University of Technology (QUT), Brisbane, Australia according to the memorandum of understanding (MOU) signed between these universities. An interdisciplinary team consisting of Prof K Satyamoorthy, Director, Manipal School of Life Sciences, MAHE, Dr Derek Van Lonkhuyzen (QUT, Australia), Prof Zee Upton (UON, Australia), and Dr Tony Parker (QUT, Australia) supervised the thesis work entitled "Characterisation of Insulin-like Growth Factor-I (IGF-I) Signalling in Cellular Responses to Ultraviolet Radiation (UVR)" submitted by Dr Andrade as part of her PhD degree. The research focused on

establishing the 3-dimensional (3D) human skin reconstructs and investigating the signalling mechanisms through which IGF-I rescues skin cells from UVR, with implications in the development of therapeutics for sunburns and photodamage.

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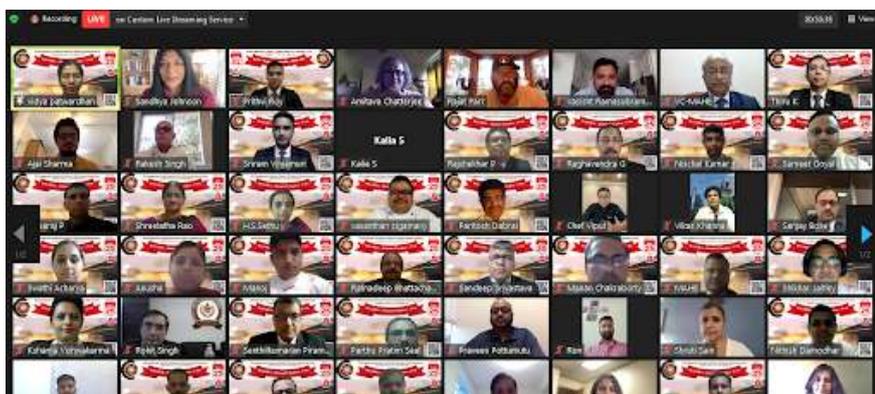
The National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST, Japan) and Department of Biotechnology of India (DBT) have established a new joint research laboratory, named DBT-AIST International Laboratory for Advanced Biomedicine (DAILAB) at AIST Tsukuba, Japan, and Regional Centre for Biotechnology, DBT, Government of India. Manipal School of Life Sciences, MAHE, has been in collaboration with AIST since 4 August 2016, cooperating in academics and research. With the CAFE (Classroom for Advanced and Frontier Education) initiative under the Indo-Japan DAILAB collaborative program, seven DAILAB-CAFÉ webinars were organized.

The presentation was given virtually to overseas institutions from the National Institute of Advanced Industrial Science and Technology (AIST), Tsukuba, Japan. It was arranged to benefit students, researchers, and faculty members of MAHE and researchers from AIST, Japan, Peking Union Medical College, Tsinghua University, China, Brawijaya University, Indonesia, Hanyang University, South Korea, University of Sri Jayewardenepura, Sri Lanka, and Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. Dr Vivekanandan Palaninathan, Postdoctoral Fellow, Bionano Electronics Research Centre, Toyo University, Kawagoe, Japan delivered a talk entitled “Electrospinning for Tissue Engineering and Regeneration” on 8 July 2021 through Microsoft Teams.



Dr. P. Vivekanandan Palaninathan
Postdoctoral Fellow, Bionano
Electronics Research Centre, Toyo
University, Kawagoe, Japan

“Alumni Chapter USA” a new chapter for WGSHA



The Welcomgroup Graduate School of Hotel Administration (WGSHA), a constituent of MAHE, launched the first international Alumni Chapter of USA on 25-26 August, 2021. There were moments of

surprise, happiness, exhilaration and joy when alumni met after a decade or more with each other virtually. The program was gracefully presided by Mr Sanjay Bose, Executive Vice President HR and L&D, ITC Hotels as the Chief Guest and Lt Gen (Dr) M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor MAHE, as the guest of honour. Dr Rohit Singh, Director Alumni Relations, MAHE was also part of the program.

Things are looking good for Ms Pooja under UISEF

Ms Pooja Prabhu, Dr TMA Pai research scholar at MIT, Manipal, working under the guidance of Dr Karunakar Kotegar is selected for the prestigious Fullbright-Nehru Doctoral Research Fellowship funded by the United States-India Educational Foundation (USIEF). She will be working under the supervision of Dr Srikantan Nagarajan University of California San Francisco, California from September, 2021 for nine months.

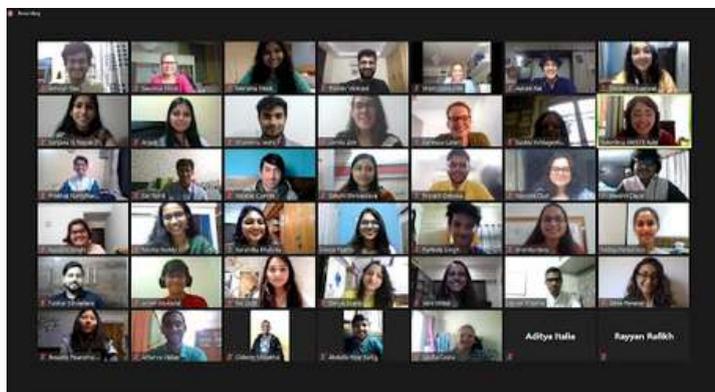


Deep insight into Art of Writing, a Case Study by Dr Stowe



Dr Stowe Shoemaker delivered a session on “Art of Writing Case Study” in regards to the field of Hospitality, Tourism, and Culinary Industry in India. Dr. Stowe Shoemaker (Ph.D., Cornell University) is the Dean of the William F. Harrah College of Hospitality and a Lincy Professor at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, with an extensive background in pricing, revenue management, consume behaviour, and customer loyalty programs. The session was informative and benefited the students pursuing hospitality and tourism graduate program at WGSHA, Manipal.

IAESTE bridges the gap between nations



IAESTE LC Manipal hosting 'Incredible India'

On 19 August, 2021, IAESTE LC Manipal had the distinguished opportunity to host a joyous gathering for interns across the globe to increase engagement among them. Though virtually it gave the interns an essence about Indian heritage. The attendees were welcomed with an introductory video about India's diversity. Further, there were several engaging games to promote our culture such as Pictionary, Charades and Guess the Country. IAESTE LC Manipal has been instrumental in providing a plethora of opportunities for students to enhance careers by pursuing technical internships abroad since its inception in 2005.

IAESTE Incoming webinar with Olga

IAESTE LC Manipal had the privilege to present at the IAESTE Global Forum. The seminar was focused on Student Reception - to make the internship an unforgettable, intercultural, and safe experience. IAESTE India LC Manipal, the flagship student exchange program of MAHE is a success story in itself. What better opportunity would IAESTE get to showcase this journey? The session resulted in a fruitful exchange of knowledge from various Local Committees such as Turkey, Tunisia, Kenya and many more. The team exhibited their activities and amenities like intern tool kit and other facilities provided to the interns on arrival at Manipal.



Exchange of knowledge between Various Local Committees



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