

# Global Initiative for Academic Networking

## ***About the scheme***

Under this MHRD scheme, distinguished experts from across the world can be invited to visit IIT Bombay and deliver lectures in emerging and thrust areas of research. These interactions have been of immense value to our graduate MTech and PhD students (especially), faculty as well as to the Industry. Further details of this initiative can be accessed at: <http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/>

## ***Earlier courses approved / run at IIT Bombay***

The first course under this initiative was held at IIT Bombay in December 2015 by Prof. Sanjeeva Shrivastava (BSBE). We currently have 2 other GIAN courses coming up in summer 2016 by Professors Gandhi (ME) and Juneja (Civil).

## ***Proposal Initiation***

I would like to invite faculty colleagues to submit proposals under this scheme. The GIAN courses typically run for 1 or 2 week duration and can be combined with a CEP / QIP course as well, to bring in additional industry / faculty participation both for attending the courses as well as for being co-instructors, if necessary. The courses are video recorded and made available to the professional fraternity at large.

- You could browse the following links for further details:  
For an overview of the GIAN initiative: <http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/>
- For an overview of the currently approved GIAN courses in India:  
<http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/ccourses/approvecourses2>
- For submitting proposals under this initiative:  
<http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/cgenmenu/submproposal>.  
A template for submitting the proposal is also available at this link.

## ***Next steps:***

The GIAN local co-ordinator (self) will upload your proposal at the IIT-KGP website. After the proposal is approved by the GIAN committee, the next steps of course planning can be started. The CE & QIP office will provide all logistic support for the organization of the course. These include:

- Creation of CEP / QIP / TEQIP course proposal to run in tandem with GIAN course: This step may be necessary to augment finances for expenditure under heads beyond the scope of GIAN finances. As well, it is useful to
- attract industry participation both in terms of attendance and speakers if it is a CEP course. The proposal preparation itself may require iterations to link the GIAN course proposals with the proposals for CEP/ QIP-STTP course.

- Help with venue booking and other course related activities: Finances need to be classified under those permissible under GIAN, and others that may be met under CEP/ QIP course budget
- Guest invitee related logistics of visa and communication as necessary: The guest speaker will have to travel to India on a research visa and will have to apply for the same at the consulate office in his/her country. Invite letters to support the speakers application for research visa will be prepared and sent by the CEP office.

Please do get in touch with us in case of further queries.