MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

THIS AGREEMENT (this "Tripartite Agreement") is

Between

Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, for the International Conference on Industry 4.0 [ICI 4.0] on 3rd April 2020

(is the Conference Organizer hereinafter called the FIRST PARTY)

and

Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited

(is the Publisher hereinafter called the SECOND PARTY)

and

Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited

(is the Publisher hereinafter called the THIRD PARTY)

for publishing accepted original research articles in the regular issue of the STM Journals, an imprint of Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited, and Journals Pub, an imprint of Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited, submitted at the International Conference on Industry 4.0 [ICI 4.0] on 3rd April 2020 organized by the Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India.

This memorandum of understanding (hereafter referred as MoU) is made on 21st April 2020, at Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India between,

Saraswati College of Engineering is the leading engineering institution in Navi Mumbai established in 2004. We aspire to be a leading research organization with a dream and vision of creating a knowledgeable society. The Institute is located at Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, through Dr. Manjusha P. Deshmukh- Principal/Conference Chair (hereinafter called as the "FIRST PARTY", which term shall unless repugnant to the context shall mean and include their successors, assignees, and administrators) ON THE FIRST PART.

Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited, an ISO 9001 Certified publishing organization, registered in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government if India, with its office located at **A-118, 1st Floor, Sector 63, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India,** through its **Director** (hereinafter called as the "SECOND PARTY", which term shall unless repugnant to the context shall mean and include their successors, assignees, and administrators) ON THE SECOND PART.

AND

Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited, an ISO 9001 Certified publishing organization, registered in the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, Government if India, with its office located at **A-118, 2nd Floor, Sector 63, Noida, Uttar Pradesh, India,** through its **Director** (hereinafter called as the "THIRD PARTY", which term shall unless repugnant to the context shall mean and include their successors, assignees, and administrators) ON THE THIRD PART.

And WHEREAS, the FIRST PARTY (Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India) organizing International Conference on Industry 4.0 [ICI 4.0] on 3rd April 2020 has approached the SECOND PARTY (Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited) that the SECOND PARTY has experience in publication of more than 130 peer-reviewed research journals and THIRD PARTY (Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited) that the THIRD PARTY has experience in publication of more than 100 peer-reviewed research journals. Therefore, after considering the aim and objectives, the FIRST PARTY has agreed that the publication of original research articles need to be supported by the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY and whereas the FIRST PARTY shall submit the peer-reviewed original research articles for publication in the regular issue of the STM Journals and Journals Pub. The STM Journals is an imprint of Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited and Journals Pub is an imprint of Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE PROMISES AND MUTUAL COVENANTS HEREINAFTER CONTAINED, BOTH THE PARTIES HERETO AGREE AS FOLLOWS.

1. PUBLICATION AND COPYRIGHT

- **1.1.** Each party and its designated and willing member or constituent will maintain ownership of its existing intellectual property rights prior to this collaboration.
 - **1.2.** The STM Journals Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form or the Journals Pub Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form must be filled out and duly signed by each author, and must be provided to the STM Journals and Journals Pub, respectively (**ATTACHMENT I: Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form**) or the FIRST PARTY will send the conference copyright forms from their end and will have to sign on the letter head (to be mentioned the paper title, journal name, volume, issue and year) of their own to give the approval to process the paper as per the focus and scope of the journal and also FIRST PARTY will provide.

1.3. All copyrights for the publication of the manuscripts submitted to the STM Journals and Journals Pub will be vested with the STM Journals and Journals Pub, respectively, even after the termination of this MoU.

2. BRANDING

- **2.1.** Both can use each other's logo for branding purpose even on the website or any other promotional efforts.
- **2.2.** All marketing efforts will be primarily carried out by the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited.

3. RELATIONSHIP

- **3.1.** The Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited and the Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited can mutually involve in promoting each other. However, both the parties will collaborate and contribute their best towards responsibility as defined subsequently.
- **3.2.** Faculty member of colleges/universities can join editorial board of the STM Journals or Journals Pub if they wish to (final decision will be taken by the STM Journals or Journals Pub, respectively, based on our selection criteria).

4. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF FIRST PARTY

- **4.1.** The FIRST PARTY will provide 200 accepted original research articles submitted at the International Conference on Industry 4.0 [ICI 4.0] on 3rd April 2020 organized by the Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India.
- **4.2.** All accepted original research articles should be submitted by 21 st April 2020.
 - **4.3.** The Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, will send the peer reviewed and plagiarism-free manuscripts to the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited.
 - **4.4.** The Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, will assist the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY to communicate and coordinate with the authors for any modifications and other matter related to article.
 - **4.5.** The Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India, will provide the list email IDs and contact numbers of all the authors/corresponding authors.
 - **4.6.** The FIRST PARTY will provide filled and duly signed Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form should be submitted along with manuscripts by the authors/corresponding authors by email (scanned copy) or by post (hard copy) to the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited (**ATTACHMENT I: Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form**).

4.5. The FIRST PARTY will provide original research articles as per the STM Journals or Journals Pub format for publication in the STM Journals or Journals Pub, respectively, to the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or the Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited (ATTACHMENT II: STM Journals Format and Journals Pub Format).

5. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY

- **5.1.** The SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY will publish all research/review articles/case study in the relevant STM Journals or Journals Pub as per the focus and scope of the journal.
- **5.2.** Only the quality papers (accepted peer review articles) selected by the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY will find a place in the STM Conferences portal.
- **5.3.** The SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY will copyedit, proofread, page layout, and paginate as per the STM Journals or Journals Pub guidelines for publishing the article in the regular issue of the STM Journals or Journals Pub, respectively.
- **5.4.** The SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY will provide the print copy of the journals and the Certificate of Publication (print copy and soft copy) on demand by the author on making nominal payment.
- **5.5.** The SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY will publish articles in the print and online issue of the STM Journals or Journals Pub.
- **5.6.** In case of delay in receiving final manuscripts from the agreed timeline, the STM Journals or Journals Pub can delay publishing of the articles accordingly depending on number of days of delay.
- **5.7.** The papers selected for publication in the STM Journals or Journals Pub will be processed for peer review process and all the other content processing formalities as per the STM Journals style guidelines or Journals Pub style guidelines, respectively.
- **5.8.** The STM Journals or Journals Pub will require minimal 60 working days period for complete publication of aforesaid articles online after the receipt of final manuscripts in as per the guidelines of journals.
- **5.9.** The SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY reserve right to reject any article submitted in the journal which is derogatory, contrarily to the prevailing laws or is out of the scope of the journal.

6. TIMELINES FOR ACTIVITIES/TARGETS

6.1. Both parties agree that,

	Activities	Timelines for Targets
1.	All original research articles submitted to the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited	21 st April 2020
2.	Filled and duly signed Copyright Transfer and Declaration Form of all original research articles submitted to the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited or Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited	21 st April 2020
3.	Publish all articles in the online issue	August 2020

7. FORCE MAJEURE

7.1. Neither of the parties shall be held responsible for non-fulfillment of their respective obligations under this MoU due to the exigency of one or more of the force Majeure events, including, but not limited to, government authority, riots, epidemics, unusually severe weather, fire, floods, war, terrorism, embargoes, labor disputes or strikes.

8. PERFORMANCE DURING DISPUTES

- **8.1.** In case of any disputes or differences arising out of this MoU or in the operations of the project, during the validity period of this MoU, the same shall be resolved through mutual discussions between both parties.
- **8.2.** Unless termination of this agreement has been declared, FIRST PARTY shall be under the obligation to continue to perform its obligations under this agreement while the parties seek to resolve any dispute.

9. DURATION OF THE MoU

- **9.1.** This MoU will be valid for a period of **1 year** from the date of signing it, unless the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY is terminated before expiry of the sanctioned period and the period can be extended in writing only and by mutual consent of all the parties.
- **9.2.** It is agreed that the FIRST PARTY reserves the right to cancel the agreement to the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY before the end of the period of MoU, if the SECOND PARTY AND THIRD PARTY fails to comply with the terms and conditions of this MoU.
- **9.3.** It is also agreed that the FIRST PARTY would not incur any liability whatsoever, if the agreement is terminated before completion of period of agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, all the parties have caused their representatives, duly authorized for that purpose to execute this MoU on the date and in the year herein above written, in the presence of following witnesses.

Saraswati College of Engineering Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India	Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited	Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited
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Authorized Signature for the Saraswati College of Engineering, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra, India	Authorized Signature for the Consortium E-Learning Network Private Limited	Authorized Signature for the Dhruv Infosystems Private Limited
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Designation Principal	Designation Marketing Manager	Designation Commissionir Editor
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Signature	Signature	Signature
Name: Dr. Sunil Rangari	Name Asan Kumar	Name Saif Akhter
Designation: Professor	Designation IT Manager	Designation Marketing Research Analyst