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Internationalization at MAHE

The year 2022 has been a mixed bag of emotions. While the people were still overcoming the turmoil of 2020-21 in early 2022, mid-2022 brought in so much hope and enthusiasm, with things slowly returning to normalcy. The good thing about 2022 is it taught us to accept what came our way and to bend the situation to our convenience by finding alternatives.

'When the going gets tough, the tough get going.' Yes, the world is still fighting the pandemic, but we have found ways to explore opportunities while the problems persist. Internationalization is no different from this. More opportunities, more hope, more innovation...more collaboration! International Mobility is the pulse of today's business and has opened up new opportunities for collaboration and networking globally.



The Office of International Affairs & Collaborations is not new to me as I have served as a Deputy Director during its inception in 2014. Yet, it is new to me with new experiences, new milestones, new connections, new learnings, and new horizons to reach out toI resumed the office in early August this year and with mobility gaining pace, it was important to review internationalization holistically and ensure that it not only scales up to where it was but goes beyond boundaries and achieves greater results than expected. This comes as a huge responsibility.

For any branch to progress, strong support from the Management drives its progression. With internationalization, the support has been extensive when it comes to the University Administration; they have left no stone unturned in achieving the deliverables. MAHE has declared 2023 as the year of internationalization, motivating us to do better and push our limits higher.

Manipal Academy of Higher Education (MAHE) is committed to globalization and captures a broader view of the international market ensuring well-grounded deliverables with Indian ethos and values. MAHE envisions global leadership in human development and excellence in education and healthcare. To attain this vision, the system has to ensure appropriate knowledge transfer to understand the importance of internationalization and the need to go global.

With globalization, countries have easy access to resources across the world, and the education sector is no exception to this. Education has transformed over the years and has a global dimension to it. This is where the internationalization of higher education becomes important. With internationalization, students have access to better facilities, a better education system, and innovative learning skills which give them a practical experience of what they learn. The competitive market teaches them to understand the trending practices and implement their learnings into practice. Internationalization of higher education only prepares them to understand and adapt to the current market trends at a global level. MAHE, with over 250+ collaborations with Universities across the globe, is looking forward to the strategic collaboration for bilateral relations in the area of research and mobility of faculty and students.

Internationalization of Curriculum emphasizes the importance of internationalizing the learning outcomes for students opting to study abroad. Hence, it becomes important to focus on blended learning modules to match international education standards. The student-centric curriculum at MAHE provides room to understand the teaching-learning module and correlate their learning assessments in line with the current developments. The Outcome-based Education module emphasizes curriculum upgradation and delivering expected outcomes to the students at par with international standards thus reassuring outbound mobility. Besides, several tailor-made programs are propagated to promote cultural immersion programs for international students visiting Manipal to give them the experience to imbibe the cultural diversity of India highlighting the local traditions, and upholding Indian ethos.

Students play an important role in promoting internationalization at home and are the real ambassadors of any university. It is important to sensitize the students about internationalization if we have to scale our standards at the international level. Faculty initiatives like joint grant applications, collaborative papers, and co-tutelle Ph.D. supervision are promoted to enhance the international visibility of the staff fraternity. International students on campus automatically motivate the faculty to be well-equipped and meet international standards. Besides, faculty mobility programs are initiated with foreign universities to enhance capacity-building programs for faculty members that comprise teaching and learning at an international university.

The university has had a lot of new initiatives this year. MAHE signed an agreement with ETS India that enables MAHE students to take TOEFL/GRE tests with better access. We had delegations from Dalhousie, Cranfield, Deakin, University of New Brunswick visit the campus and proposed several joint collaboration activities in the pipeline. MAHE has initiated a dual degree program in nursing with the University of New Brunswick where nursing students will be registered at both MAHE and UNB for the program. MAHE in collaboration with UNB hosted the Global Technology Solutions 2022, a virtual exercise to tackle and learn the fundamentals of entrepreneurship and product innovation by five students each nominated from both universities. Besides, MAHE has initiated discussions with several universities to provide internship opportunities for students and staff. A delegation from Cranfield university visited the campus this year to revive the dual degree program and several new projects are proposed in the pipeline.

It has been a great year of opportunities for students with plenty of openings for international fellowships/scholarships like the ANU-FRT fellowship, and the AIRS fellowship. In collaboration with the Association of Commonwealth Universities, MAHE was part of the 10-partner consortium to lead a Commonwealth Virtual exchange program, with nearly 50 students from these 10 universities who were brought together for an 8-week virtual program to develop a business model in line with SDGs. MAHE has several projects in the pipeline to be executed in 2023 with the hope to achieve better milestones next year and welcoming new opportunities with open hands. MAHE launched the website for one of its most awaited projects Manipal International Summer School – MISS 2023. Manipal welcomes all its partners to explore our multicultural ecosystem, which is a perfect place to experience and explore the global knowledge town that is Manipal.

Wishing everyone a very Happy New Year.

Dr. Karunakar A Kotegar Director, International Collaborations, MAHE

New Partnerships for this quarter



















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World Wide Manipal

Internationalization at Manipal Academy of Higher Education

Team OIAC launches much-awaited MISS 2023

MISS-2023 (the Manipal International Summer School) is proposed to be launched in July 2023. With over 20 academic themes in varied disciplines, the Summer School is a two-week program comprising an even spread of academic and cultural experience of 40 hours each. The official website of MISS-2023 was launched on December 15, 2022, by Dr. H S Ballal, Pro Chancellor, MAHE. Lt Gen Dr. M D Venkatesh, Vice Chancellor, and Dr. P Giridhar Kini, Registrar were present at the occasion. Besides, Registrar unveiled the poster displaying the program themes as a kick-start to promote the summer school. Vice Chancellor applauded the efforts of all the academic coordinators and emphasized on projecting a holistic view of MAHE and not restricting the content to individual discipline, thereby ensuring the delivery of a global touch to the programs.



MISS 2023 is an initiative of The Office of International Affairs & Collaborations that will be held at Manipal from 17-30 July 2023, inviting students from across the globe to participate in the programs of their choice.

For more details about the program, visit https://summer.manipal.edu/

Building on the roots of Sustainability: MSAP hosts an International Conference

Manipal School of Architecture and Planning (MSAP), MAHE, Manipal, organized the Second International Conference on 'Sustainable Resilient Built Environment - 2022' (SRBE), Collaborate to Contribute from December 19th to 21st, 2022. The international conference was inaugurated on December 19th, 2022, by MSAP at KEF R&D Centre at MIT, MAHE campus. The inaugural was attended by architects, researchers, and academicians worldwide in hybrid mode.



The welcome address was delivered by Dr. Nandineni Ramadevi, Director, MSAP, and also the conference chair of SRBE 2022. The conference's outcome is to improve research and theory building by facilitating the exchange of knowledge, ideas, latest trends, developments, and contemporary challenges. Dr. Pradeep Kini mentioned that it would explore the implications of different approaches to planning, design, management, and governance towards resolving environmental issues related to the built environment and meeting the UN Sustainable Developmental Goals, developing practical policy-making and mitigating climate change. Following this, Ms. Susan Ang, Associate head of school international Deakin University, Australia, and the founding consortium chair of IDIDE (Intercultural Dialogue through Design), SRBE, said that the research needs to be addressed through the five pillars of culture, collaboration, community, contribution, and continuity.

The event's chief guest, Dr. Giridhar P Kini, Registrar, MAHE, spoke about the importance of research and publications in academics. Next, the guest of honor of the event, Professor Dr. Bharat Dahiya, Director of the Research Centre for sustainable development and innovation, school of global studies, Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand, spoke about different challenges faced by the world in terms of the dangerous impacts of climate change.

The Valedictory event was held on December 21st, 2022. Prof. Dr. Karunakar Kotegar, Director of International Collaborations MAHE, was the event's chief guest. He also said that MAHE had declared 2023 as the year of internationalization.

MCODS joins hands with Queen Mary University

A joint research symposium on Dental Materials was organized by the Department of Dental Materials, Manipal College of Dental Sciences, Manipal and Institute of Dentistry, Queen Mary University of London on 24th November 2022. The symposium was presided over by Dr. Paul Coulthard, Dean of the Institute of Dentistry, and Dr. Monica Solomon, Dean of Manipal College of Dental Sciences, Manipal.



The deans of both organizations emphasized the need for joint collaborative research opportunities between both institutions during their opening remarks. Faculty members from both institutions spoke about their respective research work related to glass ionomer cements and irreversible hydrocolloid impression materials. After the research talks, deliberations on the further scope of joint research were discussed.

PSPH goes global with Digital Health Summit

The team at the Prasanna School of Public Health (PSPH), led by Prof. Helmut Brand (HoI), had participated in an international conference co-organized by the Health Parliament and ECHAlliance, an international organization. The conference took place on 28 and 29 October 2022.

With the support of the Indian government represented by Dr. Jitendra Singh, the Hon'ble Union Minister of State, and the Prime Minister's Office, the event welcomed 1500+ digital health experts and leaders from 35+ countries.

The main topic of the sessions was digital transformation of healthcare, which involved Dr. Angela Brand, HoD at Life Sciences (MAHE), and Julien Venne, HoD Social & Health Innovation at PSPH (MAHE).



MIV commemorates World Zoonoses Day

World Zoonoses Day is celebrated annually to educate and spread awareness about zoonotic diseases and microbes that pose a serious risk to human health. Manipal Institute of Virology, MAHE, organized an International Webinar on World Zoonoses day on 6 July 2022. Dr. Michael Walsh, a Senior Lecturer of Infectious Diseases Epidemiology at Sydney School of Public Health, University of Sydney, Australia, was one of the invited speakers for this webinar. He delivered a talk on "The landscape epidemiology of Japanese encephalitis virus outbreak in India."



DOC celebrates Global Village Day with pomp & splendor

DOC 'Global Village Day' comes as an event to celebrate the diversity of students and Faculties from the Department of Commerce. The event provides a platform to share and show national heritage, culture, art, and tradition while enjoying and respecting those of others. The event showcases songs sung in languages from all over India and dances representing different zones.







Students and Faculties decked in ethnic wear from various states came together as one to commemorate the event. Global village day saw its inception in the year 2019 and has continued to be one of the department's most awaited event to date. DOC cordially invited foreign exchange university students to sprinkle their essence of culture into these celebrations.

WGSHA cooks marvels at WorldSkills

Chef (Dr.) Thiru and Mr. Paritosh Dabral from Welcomgroup Graduate School of Hotel Administration (WGSHA) participated as national experts in the WorldSkills 2022 Special Edition competition which was held from 23rd to 26th October 2022 in Lucerne, Switzerland. For this event, the Indian contestants trained at WGSHA in two hospitality skills— cookery and restaurant service. The stellar performance of both contestants was well-received, with the restaurant service contestant winning the Medallion for Excellence.

Building Bridges

Student and Staff Achievements

MCODS Professor receives an Honorary Title

Dr. Raghu Radhakrishnan, Professor, Department of Oral Pathology and Microbiology, Manipal College of Dental Sciences, Manipal has been conferred with title of Honorary Professor at School of Clinical Dentistry, The University of Sheffield. Sheffield. UK, and is currently working as Wellcome Trust DBT IA Fellow on the Research project "Epithelial Reprogramming of HOX genes by Epigenetic Mechanisms and its implication to Oral cancers".



DAMP Professor becomes a Fellow of the RSC



Dr. Sajan Daniel George, Ph.D., Professor and Head of the Department of Atomic and Molecular Physics, DAMP, MAHE, India, has been admitted as a Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), a professional society based in the United Kingdom with over 50,000 members worldwide. The designation Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (FRSC) is given to elected Fellows who have made significant contributions to the chemical sciences. The names of newly elected Fellows are published each year in The Times (London).

To harmonious joint research fellowship programmes: ICAS Professor visits Australian universities

Dr. Hareesha K S has attended the University of Technology, Sydney, for the "Partner Development Program" from 23rd to 25th November 2022. The program has been developed to provide an overview of UTS's strengths and achievements and provide an opportunity to experience the state of the art facilities, laboratories, study spaces in person and meet with the pathway programs and faculties teams.

He also visited the University of New South Wales, Australia during his visit and met the faculty. He had discussions with fellow researchers at these universities to propose a joint research fellowship program under the AIRS scheme.



A rising star from MIV: Professor receives support for research

Dr. Sudheesh N, Assistant Professor, Manipal Institute of Virology, has been selected as one of the recipients of the 2022-2023 Global Virus Network (GVN) Rising Star Program. This program will support his research activities by providing opportunities for financial support to attend GVN meetings and other related meetings, training in grantsmanship, identifying research collaborators, and strengthening his research program and publications. This program will start in March 2023 and end in March 2024.



PhD Scholar undergoes research training at Oxford

Ms. Aparna David U, PhD research scholar under the guidance of Dr Chiranjay Mukhopadhyay, Associate Dean and Professor of Microbiology, Kasturba Medical College, Manipal and Coordinator Centre for Emerging and Tropical Diseases (CETD) underwent research training on laboratory methods in cellular immunology under prestigious VALIDATE Pump-Priming project at Nuffield Department of Medicine, Tropical Medicine and Global Health, University of Oxford, United Kingdom. The project is an international initiative financed by the Medical Research Council of the United Kingdom and it examines the host immunological response to tuberculosis and melioidosis in Indian patients. This initiative will lay the groundwork for the development of a melioidosis vaccine in the future.





The one-month intensive laboratory training was under the guidance of her co-supervisor, professor Dr. Susanna Dunachie, Professor of Infectious Diseases & NIHR Global Research Professor, University of Oxford, Senior Immunologist, MORU Bangkok, Honorary Consultant in Infectious Disease, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust.

Experience MAHE

<< La Parenthèse Indienne>>: An Interview with the creator

Charlie Demoulin is a third-year foreign exchange student from Belgium who studied Media and Communication at MIC, MAHE. In addition to his studies, Charlie owns a clothing line titled Charlie Delta, which he started in 2017. To commemorate his new collection <<La Parenthèse Indienne>>, he held a launch party on 17 November 2022 at MIC.

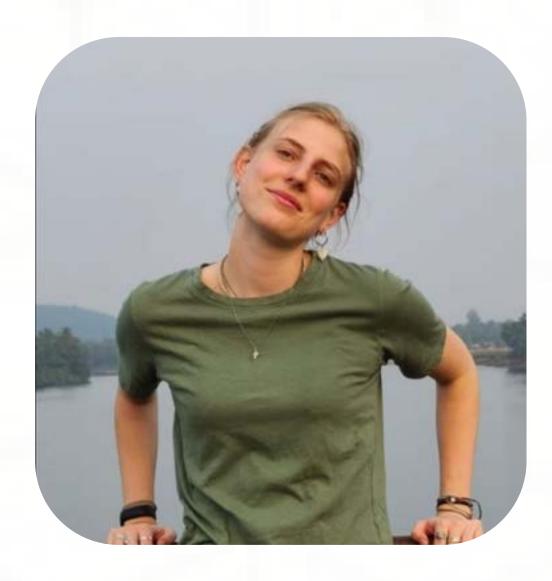
In an interview with the man of the hour, Charlie voiced how the student exchange trip allowed him to experience the contrast between Indian student life with that of Belgium. It permitted him to learn about the Indian take on the communication arts. When asked about his experience in Manipal, he said he very much enjoyed how close the hills and the sea were and how quiet life was in this college town, a stark difference from the Belgian city life he knows and remembers.



His clothing line, which began as a hobby and grew into what it is today, has recently started gaining recognition. His latest collection <<La Parenthèse Indienne>> was birthed in collaboration with another student from MIC, Esha Mukherjee. His inspiration for this collection came from the natural photogenicity and artistic nature of Manipal. Moreover, the logo of <<La Paranthèse Indienne>> is a mélange of the Charlie Delta logo and the artwork of the Hindu Goddess Durga. He found great pride in being able to incorporate Durga and thereby adding a token of women's empowerment into his art.

The recent collection has been a huge learning experience for him as he worked to portray his interpretation of the "bracket" of the Indian experience. He learned a lot during the making process of the collection, such as selecting the optimal fabric, navigating the language barrier, and so on. He says that the overall process has been an enriching and holistic experience, not only on a professional but also on a personal level.

Lot Platteel: Journey from the Netherlands to Manipal



From the Hogeschool Utrecht of Applied Sciences to the University MAHE in Manipal, India it was in the beginning, overwhelming and exciting, but in the end, a unique and unforgettable experience.

Hi, my name is Lot Platteel and I study 'International Business' in Utrecht. As part of my curriculum, I did a study abroad program for one semester at the MAHE University in the Department of Commerce. I chose India because I was interested to explore an utterly different culture from my own, with especially spicy food, another variety of norms & values, and a different education system.

While one semester may sound like a long time, time flew by. Despite the initial feeling of imbalance and culture shock, the warm welcome given by MAHE and its students made it a smooth experience filled with amazing memories. The experience became so wholly diverse as I met more people, within and outside my department. The University organised a lot of activities, which gave me opportunities to delve into the beautiful Indian culture and meet people from all over India which made it easy for me to gain perspectives on the celebration of their culture and I have learned a lot. The central gym, the library, the cafes and the food court have completed the wonderful experience of a stay here.

The weather was an entirely new experience from the strong sun to the wild rains. My umbrella has been a good companion.

A lot of people told me that Manipal is not a good representation of India itself, but because people from all over India (and all over the world) come to study at MAHE University, I was able to learn a little bit about one of the most colourful, grand cultures in the world.

Purest gratitude for living and studying in Manipal.

Thank you.

Samarth Goyal: Elective Experience at the University of Minnesota



I am Samarth Goyal, an MBBS student from KMC, Manipal. I was fortunate to get selected as one of the two students from KMC, Manipal for an opportunity to do an elective at the University of Minnesota.

I completed my rotation in the department of Gastroenterology. My experience was one of a kind. I got to learn a lot about the US healthcare system in this period. This course of one month was enriching for both theoretical knowledge and practical skills. I learnt how to use the Electronic Medical Record (EMR) system and its application in making patient care more efficient and conducive. I received an opportunity to work in GI Luminal Service for two weeks. One week in Hepatology Service, and one in Pancreatic/Biliary and Advanced Endoscopy Service. I observed many procedures like Esophagogastroduodenoscopy, Colonoscopy, MRCP, ERCP, and Colonic stenting.

Minnesota, known as the State of Lakes, is a very beautiful place. Apart from the hospital exposure I withstood, I got an opportunity to explore the city during weekends and observe US culture. I also had the pleasure to talk to various people.

I am sure this experience will help me become a better physician and a person in the future.

Samarth Goyal KMC, Manipal

Guest visits from across the globe



University of Birmingham



University of Bristol



Dalhousie Delegation



Cranfield University



Keele University



ETS India



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