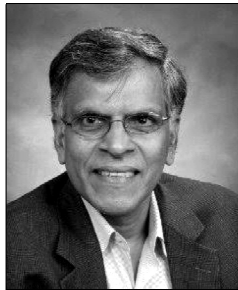


Editorial



Dear Readers of JEET,

I am delighted to introduce the January 2016 issue of JEET. This is a very special issue. It contains the best papers to be presented at the Third International Conference on Transformations in Engineering Education (ICTIEE 2016) being held January 8-12, 2016 at COEP, Pune. This conference is being co-organized by IUCEE (Indo US Collaboration for Engineering Education) and College of Engineering Pune. Dr. Sushma Kulkarni, Editor of JEET, is a Co-Chair of this conference along with myself and Dr. B. B. Ahuja of COEP. Please visit our website for details <http://www.ictiee.org/index.php>

The primary objective of this annual conference is to provide a venue for all stakeholders of quality engineering education to come together and share their innovations in transforming engineering education. The expected outcome is engineering graduates who are more qualified. This is exactly the same objective of our Journal JEET, to provide a venue where sharing of innovations in transforming engineering education can take place. JEET and ICTIEE go hand in glove and complement each other.

We have received 297 papers for ICTIEE 2016. These have being reviewed by 307 expert reviewers including almost 100 from outside India. This is the benefit we have from the active network of IUCEE professionals we have connected over the past 8 years. Of these papers submitted, 154 have been selected for oral presentation at ICTIEE 2016, on Jan 11 or 12. In addition, we have several plenary panel discussions and best practice presentations and workshops planned for Jan 9 and 10. The Indian Student Forum is planned for Jan 8 to 10. We expect the total participation to exceed 1000, including about 50 from outside India.

26 of the best papers from ICTIEE 2016 are published in this January print issue of JEET. All the 154 papers selected for oral presentation are published in the on-line version of JEET along with the January print issue. In addition, another 30 of these papers will be published in the later print issues in 2016. The JEET team at Rajarambapu Institute of Technology is working extremely hard to make sure we have good quality papers published in time.

Please encourage individual and institutional subscriptions for JEET among all your colleagues who are interested in assisting with improving global quality of engineering education. There is a wealth of experiences shared in these publications of JEET. I hear that several colleges have started subscribing to multiple issues of JEET for their faculty and requiring their faculty to read and implement some of the best practices described in these papers. I am personally very excited about such developments. It shows that our combined vision of IUCEE experts and colleges is yielding fruits.

As a result, the ecosystem for improving the global quality of engineering education in a large number of engineering institutions is gradually developing. Faculty and leaders of these institutions are realizing the value of participating in this ecosystem. The core elements of this ecosystem are this Journal (JEET) as well as the Annual Conferences (ICTIEE). There is realization that SHARING enables everyone to benefit and grow. Thank you all for being part of this exciting journey.

Jai Ho !

Krishna Vedula

Chief Editor, JEET