

The influence of UT's Intellectual Entrepreneurship (IE) initiative continues to expand internationally. Appropriating IE's stated approach to education in order to foster a culture of research and innovation for female engineers, the Center of Research and Intellectual Entrepreneurship (CeRIE) [funded by ANSYS and the Cummins India Foundation], declares: "Intellectual Entrepreneurship is a philosophy and vision of education viewing academics as 'innovators' and 'agents of change'."



ANSYS and Cummins Foster Academic Research and Innovation

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Companies develop Center of Research and Intellectual Entrepreneurship at Cummins College of Engineering for Women

To encourage industry-ready simulation talent and resources, [ANSYS](#) and Cummins India Foundation are promoting women-led engineering research and simulation through the Center of Research and Intellectual Entrepreneurship (CeRIE). Funded by Cummins and ANSYS, CeRIE at the Cummins College of Engineering for Women (CCEW) in Pune, India, is one of the few facilities in the country to foster a culture of research and innovation for female engineers.

'Intellectual Entrepreneurship' is a philosophy and vision of education viewing academics as 'innovators' and 'agents of change'. The center aims to inculcate a culture of research and innovations in faculty and students at CCEW and to act as a significant catalyst for promoting engineering research and simulation in the region, with emphasis on development of women engineers. This includes enhancement of faculty skills and development of technical expertise in areas relevant to the industry and global contribution to the fast development of disruptive technologies.

"CeRIE will promote industry-academia collaboration and address skill development and talent challenges in India," said Rafiq Somani, Country Manager, South Asia Pacific and Middle East at ANSYS. "ANSYS is proud to enable a talented pool of highly-skilled female engineers with industry-ready resources. We are eager to see the simulation advancements and resulting innovations that come from CeRIE students."

"Cummins has always been at the forefront when it comes to women empowerment at the workplace, and we have seen excellent contribution by our women employees in research and technology. Therefore, we are very happy to collaborate with ANSYS and look forward to creating an ocean of opportunities for students through this initiative. It will create a talent pool of highly-skilled women engineers and industry-ready resources," said Mark Firth - Executive Director - Engineering & Chief Technical Officer, Cummins India ABO.

"CeRIE will encourage research at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and will be a great enabler for our college vision to be a globally renowned institute for imparting quality education and developing women engineers. We are thankful to Cummins India Foundation and ANSYS for setting up CeRIE," said Dr Madhuri Khambete, Director, CCEW Pune.

About Cummins College of Engineering for Women

The Cummins College of Engineering for Women was set up by Maharshi Karve Stree Shikshan Sanstha (MKSSS) that has a century-long history dedicated to the upliftment of women by educating them and making them self-reliant for more than 100 years. Affiliated to the University of Pune, MKSSS Cummins College of Engineering for Women offers technical courses that have been approved by All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), New Delhi. The mission is to develop women professionals who are academically and technically sound with strong ethics. The college offers all the facilities that are prerequisite for the smooth conduct of the courses.

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