

Convergence Charter

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Convergence is an association of the students, faculty, staff of Kanwal Rekhi School of Information Technology (KReSIT), Indian Institute of Technology Bombay, Mumbai.

1 Objectives

1. To promote synergy among the students and interest groups from both within the school and the Institute by promoting interactions and exchange of ideas.
2. To organize and co-ordinate events of interest to its members, such as seminars, distinguished lectures, contests, workshops, etc.
3. To forge links with the School alumni and the IT industry, and explore areas of co-operative work.
4. Through the above activities, build initiative and leadership skills among its members.

2 Members

2.1 Eligibility

Individuals from any one of the following groups can become members of the Association:

1. Students of KReSIT
2. Faculty, Adjunct Faculty, and Staff of KReSIT
3. KReSIT Alumni
4. Any other person with prior consent of the General Secretary

2.2 Duration of Membership and Subscription

1. All students, faculty, adjunct faculty, and staff become eligible for membership the day they join the School. Their membership remains valid for the duration they are a part of the School.

2. Members mentioned in point 5 of Eligibility (Section 2.1) remain valid members for a period of one year.
3. The alumni of the school are honorary members of the association.
4. The annual membership is for a period from July 1st to June 30th.

3 Office Bearers and Responsibilities

1. The Head of the Department is the ex-officio President of Convergence.
2. The President nominates a faculty to be the Chairman of the Association for a period of two years.
3. The members of Convergence body elects a Secretary for a course of one year.
4. The roles and responsibilities of the Secretary are defined as follows
 - (a) He/She is responsible to organise student activities and events such as workshops, seminars, courses etc.
 - (b) He/She will look into all organizational aspects relating to events in workshops, seminars, courses etc.

4 Funds

4.1 Sources of Funds

Funds generated through conducting workshops, courses, etc. for people from Institute and Industry. All funds generated by the Association would be deposited in a Bank account and would be used to expand and/or sustain the activities of the Association.

4.2 Financial rules

1. At any instant of time, maximum amount of Rs. 15,000 can remain on cash with Secretary for expenses for activities of the body.
2. Convergence can donate an amount of Rs. 30000 to IT Association or any other association whose governing body and members constitutes of students and faculty of KReSIT.
3. All expenses make by the member of the Convergence body for the activities organized/funded by convergence body can be reimbursed on submission of bills for the same.
4. Unbilled expenses can be reimbursed by the approval of the chairman and the secretary. These expenses can include conveyance and the telephone ex[expenses etc. incurred during the activities of the Convergence.
5. A maximum amount of Rs. 20,000 can be paid by cash. Any amount exceeding this limit m must be paid by cheque.

5 Amendments

The Convergence charter will be open to amendments at a later point in time, provided the President, Chairman, General Secretary and at least two-thirds of the remaining Working Committee members approve the amendments.