

## Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is brought into effect on this 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2016 between **Council of Architecture** with its office at India Habitat Centre, Core 6A, 1st Floor, Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 India and **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.**, Authorised Distributor of **Vectorworks Inc., USA, for India** with its principal office is at 2nd Floor, 54 KB Dasan Road, S.I.E.T College Avenue, Teynampet, Chennai-600018, Tamil Nadu.

**Council of Architecture:** Council of Architecture (COA) is an autonomous Statutory Body of Govt. of India incorporated under the Architects Act, 1972. The COA has been charged with the responsibility of enforcing the Act throughout the country, including registration of architects, regulating the architectural profession and the architectural education at all level. Architectural Education is being imparted in India by about 400 institutions duly recognized by COA. The COA consists of members nominated by the Central and State Governments/Union Territories, AICTE, Ministry of Defense, CPWD, Institution of Engineers (India) & Institutions of Surveyors of India and members elected to represent the Indian Institute of Architects & Head of Institutions imparting Architectural Education.

### **COA :Aims and Objectives:**

- To prescribe minimum standards of architectural education for architects and carry out periodic inspections of institution for monitoring the same;
- To recommend recognition and de-recognition of architectural qualifications;
- To conduct continuing education programme for practicing architects and quality Improvement programme for faculty members of architectural institutions for enhancing and upgrading their knowledge and skills;
- To register architects on all India basis;
- To receive complaints against architect for professional misconduct; and
- To file complaints for violation of Architects Act.

Council of Architecture to act as a national level resource center for teachers and students of architecture, professional architects and institutions in India recognized by Council of Architecture for imparting architecture education.

**Vectorworks Inc.**, Head quartered in 7150 Riverwood Drive, Columbia MD 21046, USA is a global design software developer serving the architecture, landscape and entertainment industries. Since 1985, Vectorworks, Inc. has been committed to helping designers capture inspiration, nurture innovation, communicate effectively and bring their visions to life. Vectorworks, Inc. has developed the best CAD and BIM software for Mac and Windows that puts BIM at the heart of the design process, enabling the flexibility needed for efficient iteration throughout the design life-cycle. Headquartered in Columbia, Maryland, Vectorworks, Inc. is a part of the Nemetschek Group. Learn more about how we empower more than half a million designers to create experiences that transform the world at vectorworks.net and is keen on promoting Vectorworks Solutions among Professional Architects & through the Academic community in India.

**Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.**, Head quartered in Chennai, established during 1990 is an Authorised Distributor for **Vectorworks Inc.**, providing Software licenses, Training, Technical Support and BIM solutions for India.

### **MoU Objectives**

COA & **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.** have joined hands to work together and create a common platform to share knowledge and help their members learn about the software from Industry experts.

COA & **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.** agree to exchange information on the latest developments in their respective areas that are of common interest, and jointly work in conducting programs to benefit the students and teachers in architecture, practicing architects and institutions imparting architecture education.



**Scope of collaboration:**

- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd. shall** provide the entire suite of Vectorworks Designer with Renderworks Educational License valid for 1 year & renewable and upgradable throughout the Academics for the students and faculty.
- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd. shall** offer Maximum 50 Nos. of Educational Lab Licenses @ Rs.50,000 to each School of Architecture limiting to 100 such schools in a year as stipulated by Council of Architecture.
- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd. shall** provide Professional Class room Training for students combined with Webinar for 18 Hours at the Studio/Lab premises at a concessional price of Rs.6,000 per student for the Institutes who have availed the concessional Lab License Offer.
- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd. Shall** provide Student2Pro offer to help new Architects to buy perpetual commercial license of Vectorworks Architect & Renderworks 2017 @ Rs. 49,000 + Taxes. Eligibility: Within 2 years of Degree course completion. Requirement: Course completion certificate & Policy acceptance form duly signed.
- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd. shall** provide Special Offer of perpetual commercial License of Vectorworks Architect & Renderworks 2017 @ Rs. 49,000 + Taxes to faculty members of schools of architecture participating in COA training programmes limiting to and not exceeding 200 teachers per year.
- Industry Specialists from Vectorworks USA & across the globe would submit Articles, seminars & Workshops to the Academic Community in India for due selection by COA for publishing and disseminating by CoA .
- COA through its website shall communicate and familiarise the Special Vectorworks India offer for a Standard Architectural Software along with rendering tool @ Rs.99,500 + Taxes to Professional Architects registered under COA.
- **COA** through its ongoing programme of the National Awards for Excellence in Architectural Thesis in India would identify 100 schools eligible for Concessional Lab Licenses offer and communicate the same to **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.**, and identified schools of architecture for necessary deployment of the Software Licenses and implementation of Student Training Programs at individual schools.
- **COA** shall communicate through their web site and other means the benefit of Student2Pro Scheme, Concessional Lab Licenses Offer and Special Teacher License Program to Students of Architecture those who have just completed, Institutions and teachers.
- **COA** shall from time to time invite Datalogics to participate in Seminars and Workshops organized by CoA and provide access to COA registered Architects & schools of architecture database for direct information dissemination.
- **COA** during their ongoing faculty development and teacher training program shall communicate the Discounted Teacher License Offer from Vectorworks and the terms involved.
- **COA** shall identify on its own, teachers, from their database of participants of their faculty development and teacher training program and from direct requests from other teachers in a prescribed format and shall verify and approve in writing for awarding discounted Teacher Licenses to a maximum of 200 teachers in a year.
- **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.** Shall process the teacher requests duly approved by COA for further delivery of Licenses, Media Kits and other teaching Materials.
- **COA** shall assess requests to conduct Special Training programs / Seminars and Article submissions from Datalogics from time to time and allow/permit/facilitate the same as and when found suitable/beneficial for the academic and professional architecture community.



- **COA and Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd** will jointly conduct activities in the areas of research and capacity building and work along with related Academic/Research/Govt. agencies for successful information dissemination among professional and academic community.

**Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd** along with **Vectorworks Inc.** agrees to contribute annually a sum of Rs. 2.0 Lakhs each towards conduct of the Five Zonal Juries of the COA National Awards for Excellence in Architectural Thesis (Under graduate) programs totaling Rs. 10.0 Lakhs (Rupees Twenty Lakhs only) and Rs.5.0 Lakhs (Rupees Five Lakhs only) towards sponsorship for conduct of the COA National Awards for Excellence in Post Graduate Thesis in Architecture and Rs.10.0 Lakhs towards Final Jury & Award program. This contribution shall remain applicable as long as this joint agreement/arrangement is effective.

The total amount of Rs.25 Lakhs (Rupees twenty five lakhs only) shall be deposited by **Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd** in advance before commencement of COA Thesis Award Programme each year.

This MOU is valid for a period of 3 years i.e. 2016, 2017 and 2018 and can be re-evaluated for further extension by both the parties. The MOU can be terminated by giving three months notice on either side.

Signed:



**Shri. Raj Kumar Oberoi,**  
**Registrar, Council of Architecture**

Signed:



**Subramanian K**  
**Datalogics India Pvt. Ltd.,**

Place : New Delhi  
Date : 16.09.2016

