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Subject: NIIT collaborates with IBM for Career Education Projects

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed a copy of the above referred Press Release. This is for your information and records.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,
For **NIIT Limited**


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NIIT collaborates with IBM for Career Education Projects

- IBM to provide IT industry with skilled professionals with experiential learning

New Delhi, July 05, 2011: NIIT, the leading Global Talent Development Corporation and Asia's largest IT trainer has collaborated with IBM, a global technology and innovation company, to offer experiential learning to early professionals ready to join the IT industry.

NIIT and IBM have collaborated to provide students with projects based on real-world requirements faced by organizations and are designed by IBM experts with vast experience in enterprise software development. The students will develop these projects based on the methodology as practiced by the industry today. As part of this collaboration, NIIT will train and enable the students at its centers, providing them with the required skills training and mentoring throughout the project duration. IBM experts will evaluate the completed projects and provide certificates to successful students.

For students, this collaboration presents an opportunity to gain from the tacit knowledge and experience of the best industry practitioners and helps them acquire industry-ready skills that will enhance their job prospects and give them the required edge in their career.

"We are pleased to strengthen our partnership with IBM through project offerings. Projects are crucial in providing real world experiential learning to young professionals to make them day one industry ready. This partnership with IBM is a continuation of NIIT's endeavor to give students an edge through industry relevant training" says Anuradha S Boxwala, Senior Vice President, NIIT Ltd. "With this collaboration, companies can now look forward to hiring talent with a blend of IT knowledge and best in industry practices. "

There are currently 3.4 lakh Engineering (IT) students in India. However, the lack of real world project exposure becomes an impediment for many of these students when they start their career. IT companies recruiting the talent are facing huge challenges as they have to spend considerable time and money to train the young talent pool.

"We are delighted to partner with NIIT on our Projects offering through Career Education program. As a part of the Education industry, NIIT understands the value addition of projects in the curriculum to enable young generations to be the workforce of tomorrow. Our Projects are designed with a vision to help students face the real world with confidence, a self belief that is essential for taking the first step towards a successful career" says Himanshu Goyal, Country Manager, IBM Career Education.

About IBM Career Education Program

IBM Career Education Program is a comprehensive software education program designed by IT professionals, for graduates and experienced professionals to accelerate their skills and knowledge so that they succeed in this dynamic industry. Keeping the **'learner'** as the focal point, the program curriculum brings together the latest software content, real-world industry experience, hands-on lab



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courses and best practices, all into a single unique education program, to prepare students to be readily acceptable in the IT industry and by leading IT companies.

About NIIT

NIIT Limited, leading Global Talent Development Corporation and Asia's largest IT trainer, offers learning and knowledge solutions across 40 countries.

Leading IT magazine Dataquest has conferred upon NIIT, the 'Top IT Training Company' award successively for the past 18 years, since the inception of this category. Rated among India's Business Superbrands 2008, NIIT's Individual Learning Business offerings include industry-endorsed programs for students seeking careers in IT - GNIIT, Edgeineers and Global Net Plus for IT professionals.

NIIT has provided computer-based learning to over 14,000 government and private schools. The futuristic nGURU range for schools is a holistic education package that comprises Interactive Classrooms (an embedded Teaching Learning Material, that uses elements of interactivity, automation and web links library); Math lab (technology tools that enable school students to learn and explore mathematical concepts); IT Wizard (equips the students with core computer knowledge and IT skills); and Quick School (an Education Resource Planning solution for school management).

For working professionals, NIIT Imperia, Centre for Advanced Learning, offers Executive Management Education Programs in association with Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs) at Ahmadabad, Kolkata, Lucknow, IMT Ghaziabad and IIFT Delhi.

NIIT Institute of Finance Banking & Insurance (IFBI), formed by NIIT with equity participation from ICICI Bank, offers programs for individuals and corporates in Banking, Financial Services and Insurance.

NIIT Uniqua, Centre for Process Excellence, addresses the increasing demand for skilled workers in the business and technology services industry by providing training programs in relevant areas. This is a part of NIIT Institute of Process Excellence Limited, a NIIT-Genpact venture.

NIIT's Corporate Learning Solutions, offers integrated learning solutions (including strategic consulting, learning design, content development, delivery, technology, assessment and learning management) to Fortune 500 companies, Universities, Technology companies, Training corporations and Publishing houses.

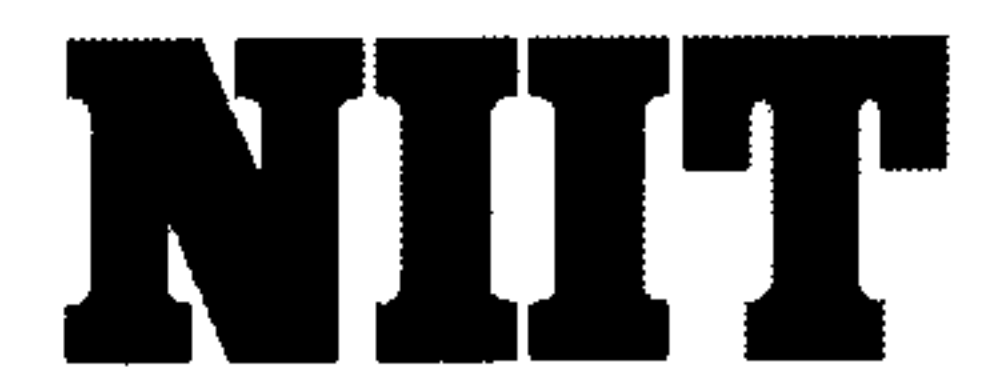
NIIT delivers a tailored combination of catalog learning products, technology and services through Element K offerings. These include: vLab®: hands-on labs, instructor-led courseware, comprehensive e-reference libraries, technical journals, and KnowledgeHub™: hosted learning management platform.

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