

## VEREIN DEUTSCHER INGENIEURE

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## DER DIREKTOR

The Institution of Engineers 8, Gokhale Road, Kalkutta 20 INDIEN

Dear Sirs,

The Varein Deutscher Ingeniere (VDI) – The Association of German Engineers – being a private technical – scientific and professional society with more than 60000 individual members including about 3500 foreign members from all over the world, is planning to strengthen its relations with foreign partner – institutions.

One of the reasons is that an increasing number of our members and of other German engineers is temporarily working abroad without having the possibility to use the facilities of an engineering institution. We for instance offer seminaries, lectures and social events for our members in Dusseldorf as well as in all other regions of the Federal Republic of Germany.

As we suppose your institution is working quite similar, we frankly would like to ask you, whether in future it could be made possible for German engineers working in your country to take part in events arranged by your association. We imagine, some sort of guest – membership in your society – as we do have in ours – might already be existing.

In reciprocity we would be happy of course to welcome members of your institution working in our country as guests in our technical and scientific as well as in our social events. Furthermore there are possibilities to make life easier for a foreigner in Germany by establishing personal contacts from colleague to colleague.

Besides the idea of creating a certain assistance for individual members of professional engineering institutions during more than short-term stays abroad, closer links between our societies can lead to an intensified exchange of technical and scientific ideas in general and to a promotion of understanding between engineers in our countries.

We would appreciate it very much, if you could let us know your opinion to our ideas briefly described. For the moment I hope the information given about the Verein Deutscher Ingenieure will be sufficient. If wanted, we can supply you in addition with our statutes and other information material (available in German only).

Hoping to hear from you soon I remain,

Sincerely yours, VEREIN DEUTSCHER INGENIEURE Der Direktor Dr. – Ing. R. Menger