



Visit of Team IBM (ICE) Program

Venue: MAC, Bidholi, UPES

25th November, 2019 - Monday

IBM (ICE) Program Team visited University of Petroleum and Energy studies, School of Computer Sciences on Monday 25th November, 2019. The university also celebrated its 10 years collaboration with IBM-ICE Program where UPES-SoCS has led 'UPES-SoCS and IBM' collaboration in a very successful way. The successful journey of a decade began in 2011 with 4 collaborated courses to 16 courses in 2019.

The main agenda of this event was to discuss the way forward. The next milestone of this relationship will be mainstay of corporate research and development (R&D) — from creating the knowledge foundations for the next generation of solutions, to serve as an extended “workbench” to solve short-term, incremental problems, to providing a flow of newly minted talent.

On this occasion **Mr. Jason Boxer**, Asia Pacific Leader for Systems Lab Services, IBM, Singapore; **Mr. Ramesh Mudumba**, Leader for IBM Systems Lab Services and Training – India/South Asia, Bangalore; **Mr. Vithal Madyalkar**, Program Director - IBM Innovation Center for Education, Bangalore; **Mr. Viqaruddin Surki**, Head - Delivery Account Management, IBM Innovation Center for Education, Bangalore; **Mr. Hari Ramasubramanian**, Business Development & Relationship Manager, IBM Innovation Center for Education, Mumbai and **Ms. Rajani Radha Krishnan**, Business Development and Relationship Manager, IBM Innovation Centre for Education Mumbai were present.

The event began with traditional Lamp Lighting and Saraswati Vandana followed by warm welcome of all esteemed Guests by **Dr. Manish Prateek, Dean**, School of Computer Science, SoCS. **Mr. Jason Boxer** congratulated UPES- SoCS for 10 years collaboration with IBM. He also added that UPES-SoCS- IBM collaborated Computer Science course was the first pioneering program initiative with IBM in India which has set an example for other universities in India and outside to follow. He said IBM and UPES has one common thing and that is culture of innovation which both of them are following from previous many years. **Mr. Ramesh Madumba** addressing the audience said that IBM has decided on certain inputs from the university and the changes will be implemented and seen in near future. **Mr. Vithal** focussed on how the UPES-SoCS and IBM relationship has evolved in previous 10 years and also how IBM is committed to make it better in near future. **Mr. Hari** took forward the event by congratulating and felicitating the faculty members of School of Computer Science, who have/had contributed to this 10 years relation in successful way. **Dr. Manish Prateek**, Dean SoCS, UPES was honoured on this occasion by IBM Team. The ceremony concluded with felicitation of esteemed guests and a group photograph.