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Dear Prof. Naren Chandra Talukdar,

On behalf of IAU President, Prof. Andrew Deeks, as well as the Members of the IAU Administrative Board, I am very pleased to welcome the Assam down town University as an official Member of the International Association of Universities (IAU).

IAU herewith acknowledges receipt of the payment confirming the Membership of Assam down town University for membership year 2023-2024 (1 October 2023 to 30 September 2024). We know that each time an institution engages with a network, it is making an important choice. We appreciate your support and commitment to IAU and look forward to your active participation in our initiatives.

As a new Member, you will soon receive your login details to benefit from an advanced access to the IAU [World Higher Education Database](#) (WHED). We invite Assam down town University to verify if the information presented on WHED is correct and to update this information regularly.

As well we are pleased to present you with a subscription to the quarterly [Higher Education Policy](#) journal and [IAU Horizons](#), the Association's magazine published twice a year. The monthly [electronic Newsletter](#) will keep you updated about IAU activities and will bring to you a variety of higher education news and opportunities to engage around the world.

We invite your institution to send us news and updates so that we can bring it to the attention of the IAU global member network.

IAU serves as a platform for international networking and cooperation by convening representatives from the global higher education community at global conferences and meetings, thematic specialized workshops, as well as webinars focusing on key issues pertaining to the global Higher Education agenda and bringing together experts and leaders from all regions. We also offer a series of dedicated thematic platforms for exchange around the IAU priority areas of work: *Internationalisation, Sustainable Development, Digital Transformation of Higher Education, and Value-based Leadership*. Thank you for indicating if you would be interested to take an active part in any of these four priority areas of work.

The [IAU website](#) offers detailed information about our services and initiatives, including upcoming events, opportunities for Members to get involved, and publications. You may wish to watch and share recordings of previous Webinar sessions in the IAU series on the future of higher education. These recordings can be

used as constructive conversation starters a wide variety of topics relevant to the global higher education community and beyond. The 'Calendar of Events' section includes most important international conferences on higher education around the world, while the 'News from our Members' section can once again be of help to you for disseminating news from your university that would be of interest to the global community of universities and higher education institutions.

I take this opportunity to invite you to plan and attend the [IAU International Conference 2023](#). It will be hosted by Qatar University with a focus on **Higher Education with Impact: The Importance of Intercultural Learning and Dialogue**. It will take place in Doha on 25 to 27 November, 2023. This Conference will allow you to meet the IAU Board and staff and to connect with many Members from around the world. Please register [here](#).

Your support for the IAU vision and mission and strategic plan, as a new IAU Member, is of tremendous importance to us, and I thank you once again for joining forces with us to advance our mission of building responsible and sustainable societies through accessible, inclusive, and transformative higher education systems.

We very much look forward to a fruitful and mutually beneficial collaboration with your university.

Yours sincerely,



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Enclosed. Acknowledgement of 2023-2024 Membership fees payment
Membership welcome package