

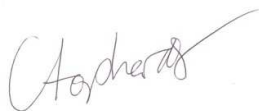
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UK and Chandragupt Institute for Management Patna (CIMP), India

This is to confirm that Dr. Shoba Arun, Department of Sociology, Manchester Metropolitan University is undertaking The Chancellor's Metropolis Fellowship with the Start up Incubation Cell, Chandragupt Institute for Management Patna (CIMP), India during the period December 2017-June 2018.

We are delighted to collaborate on this Fellowship on Gender Capital and Start Ups in Bihar, India with CIMP, as one of the Host Providers of the Start Up Policy. Dr. Shoba Arun's research on gender capital will be key to this collaboration, and therefore significant in a state such as Bihar, which has embarked on strategy and policies to achieve higher growth and development. The Fellowship is of significant importance and aligns closely with the vision of Metropolis in supporting policy relevant research and engaging more effectively with policy makers at a national and international significance.

We hope that this 6 month Fellowship, by working with key stakeholders, will create a legacy for collaborative and cross-disciplinary partnership that promotes inclusive policy and practice on start ups in general, alongside high quality research outputs.

Yours Faithfully



Professor Chris Fox

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