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IU BECOMES INVESTING PARTNER IN KUALI STUDENT PROJECT

Indiana University, a founder in the Kuali community five years ago, has expanded its involvement by joining the Kuali Student (KS) initiative as an investing partner. IU will provide resources to support the overall goals of a next generation student system.

IU will also have representation on the Kuali Student Project Board to help guide the project as it begins to roll out the first modules in the next few months and future modules in the upcoming years.

“Indiana University is pleased to become an investing partner in the Kuali Student Project. It aligns with our overall strategy of collaborating with like-minded institutions to build cost-effective solutions for higher education,” said Brad Wheeler, vice president for information technology and CIO at IU.



“Indiana is an experienced and valued partner,” said Ted Dodds, chair of the Kuali Student Project Board and vice provost for information technology at the University of British Columbia. “IU was among the first to invest in the Kuali community in its early days and is already an installed base for components of the Kuali Financial System and Rice. This decision to also invest as a partner in Kuali Student asserts again IU’s commitment to the open source software path for the campus IT services strategy. Having them join the project will strengthen our team with additional key resources.”

Indiana steps into the investing partnership role made available by the June 2010 departure of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). MIT has been a valued member of the Kuali community since 2006 with the founding of the Kuali Coeus project. They joined the Kuali Student Program as a partner institution in 2007 and have been a valued partner throughout the project, always exceeding their commitment. Both MIT and Kuali have gained substantial knowledge from their partnership and the Foundation looks forward to the mutual benefits from MIT’s continued commitment to the Kuali Coeus project.

Kuali is a growing community of universities, colleges, businesses, and other organizations that have partnered to build and sustain community source administrative software for higher education, by higher education. In 2004 a small group of institutions and a commercial company

set out to develop a comprehensive suite of open source financial software. Today, the community includes over 35 institutions, 11 commercial affiliates, and six Kuali member led projects. The software of Kuali projects is freely available under the Educational Community License to anyone for any use or modification. More information about Kuali can be found at www.kuali.org.

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