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bringing additional areas of expertise into focus.

As distinguished alums of the IITs, we want to invite you to submit your profile for inclusion in our directory. To facilitate this process, we request that you login to your account ([here](#)) and complete your profile. All entries will be vetted and curated by a panel of peers that the PanIIT Board has assembled for this purpose. The panel will look at the following criteria in their assessment:

- Work experience related to designated field
- Publications (papers/books) related to field
- Public presentations or service on state/national/international committees
- Honors or awards received by individual
- Prior consulting or advising roles

We look forward to your active participation and to including your CV in our directory of subject area experts.

Best regards,



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