

IIT-I director attends GUC 2023 meet



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Prof Suhas Joshi, director, IIT Indore was invited to attend the Global University Leaders' Council (GUC) 2023 meet during June 14-16 at Hamburg, Germany.

More than 30 university leaders from six continents attended the meet in Hamburg as council members and were welcomed by professor Walter Rosenthal, president, German Rectors' Conference and professor Dr Hauke Heekeren, president, Universität Hamburg.

This year's meeting was focused on "Way forward for universities when navigating competition and collaboration locally, nationally, and globally".

During the three-day meet prof Joshi participated in the discussion along with other panelists on "Fostering global partnerships among universities: Jointly redress-

ing growing populism and anti-intellectualism".

He shared his views on the role of university leaders in popularising research and education, and how universities should use academic freedom to improve the quality of education to address societal challenges.

The council also deliberated on how developments post COVID-19 pandemic, conflicts in various parts of the world, and growing populism and anti-intellectualism are affecting collaboration between universities worldwide. The Global University Leaders Council is an initiative of the German Rectors' Conference, the Körber-Stiftung and Universität Hamburg. Every year, GUC invites eminent university leaders from different countries to discuss the current key challenges in the national higher education systems around the globe.