Memorandum of Understanding Between

Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Pennsylvania Highlands Community College

Purpose: This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) establishes the basis for a cooperative agreement between Indiana University of Pennsylvania's (IUP) Institute for Information Assurance (IIA) and Pennsylvania Highlands Community College (PHCC) Computer Science and other Information Technology related departments; collectively referred to hereafter as the "Consortium". This agreement is effective when signed by each institution.

Members of this consortium desire to operate collectively in the furtherance of mutual interests in the area of information assurance and computer security. Therefore both parties agree to:

- Work collaboratively in the furtherance of each institution's programs information assurance
- Assist each other in obtaining and maintaining their status as a Center of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance from the Department of National Security Agency(NSA)
- Assist each other in capacity building in the area of information assurance
- Provide support, whenever possible for collaborations in guest speaking, guest lectures and colloquia
- Establish articulation agreements whenever possible, between and institutions for the benefit of student and the institutions
- Provide a additional class opportunities for students at each institution through distance education, summer workshops and visiting professorships
- Provide opportunities for students seeking careers in the information assurance arena
- Work collaboratively with other partners of each institution as we further develop this consortium

The parties agree to establish a formal relationship between the two institutions. Our goal is to maintain a long term commitment to each other in an effort to provide opportunities to our students and our institutions in the area of information assurance. The parities agree to meet, when necessary, to maintain and strengthen this relationship

It is both parties' hope that we can establish a long term mutually beneficial relationship.

This Memorandum of Understanding is executed this <u>31</u> day of December, 2008 by:

Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Tony Atwater, Ph.D President

Pennsylvania Highlands Community College

Walter Ansoevich, Ph.D. President