

CEPT University appoints Tridip Suhrud as Provost

CEPT University has announced the appointment of **Prof. Tridip Suhrud** as its new Provost, who will assume office from July 25, 2019.

As explained by President, Dr. Bimal Patel in his letter to the staff, on completing 50 years in 2012, CEPT University embarked on a mission of reimagining and renewing CEPT University. One of the first tasks was to put in place an organizational structure that would enable the University to function collectively and effectively, as one entity with a collegial spirit, where functional responsibilities are clearly allocated, where people in responsible positions are empowered and where accountability is ensured. Two years later, in 2014, the position of Academic Director was created, and Prof. A. Srivathsan was appointed as the first Academic Director to help formulate academic policies and coordinate their implementation across all Faculties. Over the last five years, this role has expanded and therefore the position has been renamed as Provost.

Dr. Bimal Patel said, "The Provost will support CEPT University's mission to continue to strive for excellence in education, research and advisory activities in the field of built environment."

In light of Prof. Srivathsan stepping down from his role for personal reasons, Prof. Tridip Suhrud has been appointed as the new Provost. On his appointment, Prof. Tridip Suhrud says, "I am deeply conscious of the long tradition of excellence of CEPT University and I am grateful to have the opportunity to be part of the community of faculty and students in this new role. Together we hope, in the coming years, to nurture the research and teaching at CEPT."

Prof. Suhrud has been the Director of CEPT Archives for the past 2 years. Prior to this he served as the Director of Sabarmati Ashram for 5 years. As an academic he has worked with DAIICT (Gandhinagar), NID, CSDS (New Delhi), and, St. Xavier's College, Ahmedabad. He is a Gandhian scholar and has published many books. He is a member of the Gandhi Heritage Sites Mission of the Government of India and a member of the governing board of MICA. Prof. Suhrud holds a doctorate in political science with master's degrees in economics and political science. He will continue to be the Head of CEPT Archives and CEPT University Press.
