## SAOT signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Indian CSIR-Institute "Indian Institute of Petroleum"

The Erlangen Graduate School in Advanced Optical Technologies (SAOT) of the University Erlangen-Nuremberg has acquired a very important partner for its research activities. Prof. Dr. Alfred Leipertz, Director of the Graduate School and also Head of the Institute of Engineering Thermodynamics (LTT) at the School of Engineering, signed on February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2010, in New Delhi a collaboration agreement (Memorandum of Understanding - MoU) with the Indian Institute of Petroleum (IIP) which is one of 37 constituent institutes of the Indian Council of Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR). The IIP is the only national research institute in India in the area of engine combustion and fuel technology. Both SAOT and IIP plan to intensify by this Memorandum of Understanding the existing friendly contacts and to work together on joint research projects and in the exchange of researchers and young scientists.



Central of the photo Director of Indian Institute of Petroleum, Dr. M O Garg (left), and Prof. Dr. A. Leipertz (right), accompanied on the left-hand side by Dr. S.K. Singal (Head of the IIP Division Automotive Fuels und Lubricants Application) and on the right-hand side by Prof. Dr. M. Wensing (SAOT Mentor and Head of the LTT Division Engine Combustion)

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