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Professor J. J. Maina
Deputy Director
Research and Innovation Unit
Directorate of Academic Planning and Monitoring
Ahmadu Bello University
Zaria.

Dear Prof. Maina,

APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER, INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

You may recall that the University recently approved the upgrade of the Research and Innovation Unit into a Directorate. The Directorate will have two main units; Research Management Unit (incharge of grants sourcing & management, training of staff on research issues and research publications) and Patent and Commercialization Unit (in-charge of registering patents and partnering with the industry for commercialization of viable research output). This is intended to enhance the quality of research and innovation, promote commercialization of research output and stimulate entrepreneurship culture in the University. Consequently, you are appointment as the Chairman, Intellectual Property, Technology Transfer, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Management Committee.

The Terms of Reference (ToR) of the Committee are as follows:

- i. Develop an implementation plan for theintellectual property, technology and material transfer agreements in accordance with the University Research Policy
- ii. Study the entrepreneurship activities in the University and advice on how it can be enhanced
- iii. Identify critical training needs for staff and students on intellectual property, technology transfer, innovation and entrepreneurship
- iv. Develop a revenue generation and utilisation plan for the technology transfer, innovation and entrepreneurship activities in the University

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v. Recommend any other idea (s)/strategy that will promote intellectual property, technology transfer, innovation and entrepreneurshipactivities in the University

Other members of the Committee are:

- Professor Emmanuel O. Balogun Coordinator, Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer Office
- 2. Prof. Samaila Malachy Deputy Dean, School of Postgraduate Studies
- 3. Dr. Idris Bashir Bugaje Director, International Centre for Rural Finance and Entrepreneurship
- 4. Dr. Muhammad A. Yahaya Department of Plant Science, Faculty of Agriculture
- 5. Dr. Abudulfatai Adekale Department of Computer Engineering, Faculty of Engineering
- 6. Dr. Ahmed Sherif Isah Department of Human Physiology, College of Medicine
- 7. Dr. Ibrahim Sule Kekere Department of Economics, Faculty of Social Sciences
- 8. Dr. Ramatu Ematum Umahaba Department of Science Education, Faculty of Education
- 9. Dr. Umar Sani Bebeji Department of Commercial Law, Faculty of Law
- 10. Professor Adrian Eberemu, ACENPEE
- 11. Dr. Aminu Mohammed, ACENTDFB
- 12. Mr. James Friday Secretary, Directorate of Academic Planning and Monitoring

The Committee is expected to submit a report by the end of July, 2024. I wish you the very best in the discharge of this important task.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Kabiru Bala

Vice Chancellor

cc: DVC, Administration

DVC, Academic

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