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Mr,

APPOINTMENT AS MEMBER OF WORKING GROUP 3: INFRASTRUCTURE, MALAYSIA OPEN SCIENCE ALLIANCE & INVITATION TO THE SECOND MEETING

In recent years, Open Science movement is gaining traction in many countries with international bodies such as International Science Council (ISC), Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the World Bank are championing and advocating Open Science globally. The international principle of making research data Findable, Accessible, Interoperable and Reusable (FAIR) will not only democratises knowledge, it reinforces open scientific inquiry and integrity, enables better research management and promotes open innovation, citizen science as well as data intensive research. Integrating the diverse data streams and huge datasets across multiple disciplines offers unprecedented insights and solutions towards local, regional and global complex challenges.

Recognising the importance of harnessing the potential impact of Open Science, the Ministry of Energy, Science. Technology, Environment & Climate Change (MESTECC, now known as Ministry of Science, Technology & Innovation, MOSTI) has launched the Malaysia Open Science Platform (MOSP) Pilot Initiative in November 2019. Through the Academy of Sciences Malaysia (ASM), the Malaysia Open Science Alliance was formed to pave the way towards realising MOSP as a strategic transformative initiative to strengthen STI Collaborative Ecosystem for Malaysia. The aim of this initiative is to make Malaysia's research data as a valuable national asset by developing a trusted platform that enables accessibility and sharing of research data aligned to national priorities and international best practices.

The Pilot Initiative with five Research Universities (RU) is a two-year (2020-2021) project funded by MOSTI, spearheaded by Malaysia Open Science Alliance and implemented by the Academy of Sciences Malaysia (ASM). Three focus areas to be explored in this project are as follows:

1. Policy & Guideline;
2. Capacity Building & Awareness; and
3. Infrastructure.

In relation to this, it is our pleasure to appoint you as a member for Working Group 3 on Infrastructure for the Malaysia Open Science Alliance. The Working Group will lead the pathway towards the development and documentation on the required technical specification as well as involved in the development of MOSP prototype.

Due to the recent Movement Control Order which has been extended until 14 April 2020, the second meeting of the Working Group will be conducted via online platform. The meeting will be held as follows:

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Date : 10 April 2020 (Friday)
Time : 3.00 pm
Mode of communication : Zoom

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Kindly confirm the attendance to this invitation by emailing us by 9 April 2020 (Wednesday). The link of the Zoom Meeting will be informed to you soon.

Please find attached:

1) Appendix I : The Terms of Reference for this appointment
2) Appendix II: The Reply Form
3) Appendix II: The Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA)

Your input, expertise and leadership towards the success of MOSP are most appreciated.

For any further information, you may contact Shaanthana Subramaniam (shaanthana@akademisains.gov.my, 0129443236), Nur Hanisah Ismail (hanisah@akademisains.gov.my, 0197757066) or Shyama Sundari Devi (shyama@akademisains.gov.my, 0102218372).

Thank you.

Warm regards,

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Chief Executive Officer

c.c. Professor Dr Noorsaadah Abdul Rahman FASc
     Chairperson, Malaysia Open Science Alliance

     Professor Datuk Ir Dr Wahid Omar
     Vice Chancellor, Universiti Teknologi Malaysia

WORKING GROUP 3 ON INFRASTRUCTURE

MALAYSIA OPEN SCIENCE ALLIANCE

TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. **To conduct** systematic evaluation and assessment of Open Science related infrastructure globally; and current state of Infrastructure to support Open Science in Malaysia;

2. **To engage** with the identified relevant stakeholders and undertake global benchmarking via workshops, data labs, meetings, etc as and when necessary;

3. **To produce** comprehensive technical specification for the development of Malaysia Open Science Platform (MOSP) and its applications;

4. **To produce, deliver and present** a technical specification document within the agreed scope and timeline to ASM;

5. **To manage** the request for proposal (RFP) release & reply, Vetting and Selection process;

6. **To ensure** the deployment of MOSP system application is according to design specification, correct functions and secured database model;

7. **To produce** progress report regularly to Malaysia Open Science Alliance;

8. **To attend** Working Group meetings and Stakeholders Engagement workshops;

9. **To ensure** all deliverables adhere to the Malaysia Open Science Platform initiative scope, timeline and Non-Disclosure Agreement (NDA) and;

10. **To abide** by the terms and conditions of the NDA whereby all raw data obtained, research reports and findings issued under Malaysia Open Science Study shall be under the IP and copyrights of ASM. In any case, permission should be sought from ASM to use or reproduce any of part of the copyrighted data and work, and acknowledgement to ASM must be stated in any publications.

WORKING GROUP 3 ON INFRASTRUCTURE

MALAYSIA OPEN SCIENCE ALLIANCE

REPLY FORM

Subject: **Appointment as Member, Working Group 3 on Infrastructure,**

Malaysia Open Science Alliance

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I, **ACCEPT / DECLINE**

the appointment as the Member, Working Group 3 on Infrastructure, Malaysia Open Science Alliance

Signature:	Official Stamp:
Name :	
Designation :	
Email :	
PA Email (if any) :	
Mobile No :	
Fax :	

WORKING GROUP 3 ON INFRASTRUCTURE

MALAYSIA OPEN SCIENCE ALLIANCE

NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT (NDA)

I, (Name as in identification card) ....

Identification/Passport No: .... hereby

agree to the following conditions:

a) *Not to disclose or permit disclosure of any confidential or proprietary information or trade secrets ("confidential information") of the Malaysia Open Science Platform (MOSP) Initiative (inclusive of the idea, concept, data, findings and report regarding to this project), other than to the Malaysia Open Science Alliance and the Management of Academy of Sciences Malaysia that are required to have or to be informed with such information;*

b) *To undertake and to treat all discussed information as confidential and to take all necessary precautions against disclosure of such information to third parties during and after the term of this Agreement;*

c) *To safeguard the integrity, accountability and the transparency towards the MOSP Initiative (including the prevention of conflict of interest);*

d) *All of the above conditions are in accordance with Official Secrets Act 1972 (Act 88) of Malaysia.*

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,   Witness:

(your signature)   (witness's signature)
Name   :   Name   :
Title   :   Title   :
Organisation :   Organisation :
Date   : ....   Date   : ....

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