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(Director-General)/UNESCO

CC: Ms. Shamila Nair-Bedouelle

(Assistant Director-General for the Natural Sciences Sector)

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Dear Madam:

Greetings:

In light of the Preliminary Report on the first draft of the recommendations on open science, it is worthy to highlight the fact that key areas of action within UNESCO's recommendations are mostly aligned with MoHESR's current endeavours to realize immediate reform and upgrading actions in the system of scientific research.

It has been recognized as well, that strong national focus on addressing interrelated challenges under COVID-19 pandemic, entails fostering sustainable social and economic drives that lead to best resilience of societies. Thus, the role of open science has been urgently prioritized within such context of interconnected vital axes. This is why, (SRSF) Scientific Research Support Fund has highlighted its priorities on national level considering the global emergencies; where it matches with the core of recommendations in terms of relevant policies, culture, infrastructure, capacity building, investing, cooperation, partnerships, and many other components.

To this end, it is highly envisioned for SRSF to be engaged more actively with UNESCO's series of regional and global consultations as well as initiatives in the near future.

Finally, let me express my real thankfulness for your interest and keenness to enhance coordination between us, In the meanwhile, I wish you and your institution a good luck.

Sincerely;

Minister of Higher Education and Scientific Research

Prof. "Mohamad Khair" Abu Qdais

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