



## **Policy on Research and Development Projects under Glocalisation**

### **Preamble**

Covenant University, a leading private University is committed to the highest standards of ethical conduct in providing excellent, relevant and proactive education. The University is committed to pursuing excellent world class research and development projects under “*Glocalisation*” endowed fund by the Board of Regents. The aim of this endowment is to achieve sustainable innovative local and national research with global impact. This strategic plan focuses on indigenous and innovative research endeavours that are centered on creating solutions to the myriad problems in our local environment.

### **Thematic areas**

The thematic areas to be funded by this endowment will situate around indigenously innovative solutions that will not only be meeting the local needs within our community but also be fulfilling the overall objectives of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) of the United Nations and of course the African Union Agenda.

As a guide, the research activities should be in alignment with two or more SDGs as follows:

1. End poverty in all its forms.
2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture
3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities
5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls
6. Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation
7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy
8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work
9. Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
10. Reduce inequality within and among our communities
11. Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable
12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
13. Combat climate change and its impacts
14. Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
15. Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss
16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels
17. Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development

### **Eligibility for the Fund**

The fund is open to **any candidate** with strong motivation and passion for creating indigenous and innovative solutions to our local challenges through sustainable research. In addition, the candidate must meet these minimum requirements.

- i. The applicant shall be on a full-time employment of the University.
- ii. The applicant should have spent at least one (1) academic session in the University.
- iii. The applicant (if a student) must show evidence of good scholarship and strong motivation for research.

### **Procedure for Application and Selection Process**

- i. Applicants are required to complete the ‘Glocalisation’ Research and Development Application Form routed through the Research Cluster, to the Head of Department (HOD) to the Director of CUCRID for further processing.
- ii. All proposals must undergo peer-review from established researchers.
- iii. Applicants shall be encouraged to provide information on past research and projects they have successfully executed.
- iv. Emphasis shall be placed upon Innovation and Technology transfer.
- v. Part of the studies must be published in high impact journals (ISI) before the completion of the study.
- vi. Management’s adjudication on the application shall be duly communicated to the applicant.