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TO : Vice Rectors, Academic Deans, Dean of Scientific Research,
Dean, Faculty & Personnel Affairs, Directors of Centers of
Research Excellence, Directors of RI Centers

SUBJECT : **JOURNALS RECOGNIZED FOR FACULTY PUBLICATIONS**

In order to ensure the high quality and impact of publications of KFUPM faculty/researchers, the Scientific Council, in consultation with all concerned Departments and Centers, has been striving to prepare and introduce approved lists of scientific journals in different disciplines on the basis of uniform minimum criteria for acceptance of research publications for various purposes.

As ISI List of Journals is adopted by KFUPM as the main reference for publications quality, chances were given to include other non-ISI Journals which prove to be of high quality. Accordingly, all journals submitted by different departments, have been screened through an evaluation process involving external reviewers, evaluation criteria applied by reputed international agencies and scorings. Subsequently, the Council made the following recommendation which has been approved by HE the Rector as the minimum criteria for acceptance of faculty publications:

1. Engineering and Sciences :

All ISI listed journals and journals which are rated B and above in the ERA (Excellence in Research for Australia) journal ranking systems.

2. Industrial Management :

All ISI listed journals and journals which are rated B and above in the ERA (Excellence in Research for Australia) journal ranking systems, in addition to journals rated 3 and above based on the Association of Business Schools, UK (ABS) evaluation ratings.

3. Arabic and Islamic Studies :

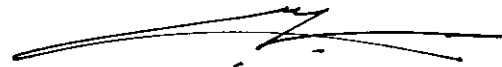
ISI listed journals and the list approved by the Scientific Council.

It may please be noted further that in addition to the above-listed **minimum criteria**, other usual quality assurance considerations shall be taken into account in accepting publications.

The University shall use the above criteria for accepting the research publications from the faculty for all relevant purposes, including promotion, awards, university support for conference attendance, consideration as outcomes of funded research projects, annual evaluation and related evaluations.

We seek your cooperation in circulating the policy to all faculty/researchers as it will be implemented and followed with immediate effect.

Best regards;



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cc : HE the Rector