## Minutes of the Meeting

# **Special 24<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Faculty Research Committee (FRC)**

held on

8<sup>th</sup> November 2024
Through MS Teams



**Faculty of Engineering Sciences** 

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#### **Reference Designators & Terms**

These designators/terms are meant to introduce clarity, standardization and ease of reference while consulting or referring to this document.

Item Number Ite

Item oo, nn Where

oo = ordinal sequence of FRC Meeting

nn= serial number of items in that FRC Meeting

Example:

Item 1712 means Item No. 12 of 17 FRC Meeting

Decision on a New Item

Decision oo, nn Example:

Decision 1712 means Decision on Item 1712

Example:

Decision 1712.b means Decision 1712, Clause 'b'

Example:

Decision 1712.b.2 means Decision 1712, Clause 'b', sub-clause '2'

Decision on a Previous Item

Decision o2 (oonn)

Example:

Decision 17 (1512) means decision taken by 17 FRC Meeting on the prevision review

item 1512. *Example:* 

Decision 17 (1512) b means decision taken by 17 FRC Meeting on the prevision

review item 1512 clause 'b'

Example:

Decision 17 (1512) b.3 means decision taken by 17 FRC Meeting on the prevision

review item 1512 clause 'b' sub clause '3'

**Action** Authority, Entity, Official, Person, Unit, Dept, Office, etc. required to implement the

decision

**Responsibility** The supra single Authority, Entity, Official, Person, etc. required to:

a. Coordinate the actions taken by the Authorities, Entities, Officials,

Persons, Units, Depts., Offices listed against the action.

**b.** Report to the Council the progress on the matter, through periodic progress reports and at the meeting of the Council.

the case/issue/point/item he or she has been made responsible for.

Be overall responsible to the Competent Authority, and the Council, for

**Deadlines** 

Any time period deadlines shall count from the date of issue of the minutes. Time

period in days shall imply working days.

#### Attendance:

| Prof. Dr. Faisal Bashir Hussain            | <b>BUIC</b><br>Dean ES          | Chair     |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Prof. Dr. Shahzad Khalid                   | Principal BSEAS H-11            | Member    |
|  | / HoD CE H-11                   |           |
| Prof Dr Moneeb Gohar                       | HoD (CS) H-11                   | Member    |
| Prof. Dr. Imran Fareed                     | HoD (EE) H-11                   | Member    |
| Snr Assoc Prof. Dr. Khurram Ehsan          | HoD (CS) E-8                    | Member    |
| Snr. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Adeel Syed           | HoD (SE) H-11                   | Member    |
| Snr. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Muhsan Ehsan         | E&ES                            | Secretary |
| Assoc. Prof. Dr. Syed Umair Ullah Jamil    | HoD(E&ES) H-11                  | Member    |
| Prof. Dr. Haroon Rasheed                   | BUKC<br>Principal BSEAS<br>BUKC | Member    |
| Assoc. Prof. Dr. Attayab Khab              | HoD (EE)                        | Member    |
| Snr. Assoc. Prof. Dr. Hina Shakir          | HoD (SE)                        | Member    |
| Assoc. Prof. Dr. Talha Ahmed Khan          | HoD (CS)                        | Member    |
| Assoc. Prof. Dr. Shaista Iftikhar          | HoD (E&ES)                      | Member    |
| Snr. Asst. Prof. Dr. Shoaib Mughal         | HoD (CE)                        | Member    |
| Snr. Asst. Prof. Dr. Khawaja Qasim Maqbool | BULC<br>HOD (CS)                | Member    |

#### **Proceedings**

1. The proceedings commenced at 1400 hrs on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 with recitation of few verses from the Holy Quran and Darood Shareef ...

#### **Opening Remarks**

2. Chair FRC welcomed the participants and advised the participants to have focused and constructive discussion during the session.

#### Item No. 2401: Change of Supervisor/Co-Supervisor and Advisory Committee of PhD Scholars

Sponsor: HoDs CE, E&ES & EE BUIC H-11, HoD CS BUIC E-8, HoD EE BUKC Referral Authority: Respective DRC's

#### Summary of the Cases:

- **3.** HoD CE, BUIC-H-11 campus presented the case of PhD Scholar Mr. Waqar Khalid (01-281202-001) for the change advisory committee members. The current advisory committee member Dr. Imran Siddiqi left BU therefore this agenda was presented to change the advisory committee.
- **4.** HoD CS, BUIC-E-8 campus presented the case of PhD scholars Amir Ali (01-284202-002), Ali Raza (01-283202-002) and Muhammad Akram Sahi (01-284232-006) for the change in advisory committee members.
- **5.** PGP Coordinator of E&ES presented the case of Mr. Waqar Ahmed (01-286221-001) PhD Geology scholar who was under the supervision of Prof. Dr. Mohammad Zafar. Since the supervisor has retired from the university. Dr. Mumtaz Ali Khan and Dr. Muhammad Raiees Amjad are suggested as the supervisor and co-supervisor respectively. Also, allocation of co-supervisor is suggested for PhD Scholar Mr. Kamran Younas (01-286202-004).
- **6.** HOD EE, BUIC-H-11 presented the case for change of PhD supervisor of Muhammad Yaseen (01-281201-001). Both student and previous supervisor agrees for the change and newly recommended supervisor is relevant to Scholar's area of research. The same has been endorsed by the 4<sup>th</sup> RAC of FoES.
- **7.** HOD EE, BUIC-H-11 presented the case for the change in advisory committee members of Abdul Rehman (01-281172-004).
- **8.** HoD EE BUKC presented the case for allocation of co-supervisor to Ph.D. scholar Muhammad Faisal Siddiqui (02-281172-002). In the 4th RAC Meeting, one of the external members, Dr. Ghoush Buksh, proposed to include former supervisor Dr. Mukesh Kumar Maheshwari as his co-supervisor.

#### **Discussion:**

**9.** HoD's from the respective Departments of Faculty of Engineering Sciences presented the cases of PhD Scholars for the changes in the supervisors/co-supervisor and/or advisory committee. Following cases were presented:

| S.<br>No. | Name<br>(Enrolment #)             | Program              | Agenda  | Existing<br>Supervisor / Co-<br>supervisor        | Proposed Supervisor/ Co- supervisor | Proposed Advisory<br>Committee   |
|-----------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|--|
| 1.        | Mr. Waqar Khalid<br>01-281202-001 | PhD CE,<br>BUIC-H-11 | Change of<br>Advisory<br>Committee<br>members | Prof. Dr. Shehzad Khalid/ Dr. Syed Mohammad Usman | N/A                                 | Dr. Shehzad Khalid<br>Dr. Syed Mohammad<br>Usman<br>Dr. Sumaira Kausar<br>Dr. Amna Waheed Awan |
| 2.        | Amir Ali<br>01-284202-002         | PhD CS,<br>BUIC      | Change of<br>Advisory<br>Committee<br>members | Dr. Sumaira<br>Kausar/<br>Dr. Wizra Saeed         | N/A                                 | Dr. Sumaira Kausar<br>Dr. Wizra Saeed<br>Dr. Fatima Khalique<br>Dr. Arif ur Rahman             |

| 3. | Ali Raza<br>01-283202-002                    | PhD CS,<br>BUIC             | Change of<br>Advisory<br>Committee<br>members                                | Dr Jaffer<br>Hasnain/<br>Dr. Rizwan ul<br>Haq | N/A  | Dr Jafar Hasnain<br>Dr. Naila Shaheen<br>Dr. Muhammad Ramzan  |
|----|--|-----------------------------|--|---|--|---|
| 4. | Muhammad Akram<br>Sahi<br>01-284232-006      | PhD CS,<br>BUIC             | Change of<br>Advisory<br>Committee<br>members                                | Dr. Khurram<br>Ehsan/<br>Dr. Ali Hassan       | N/A  | Dr. Khurram Ehsan<br>Dr. Ali Hassan Sodhro<br>Dr. Moneeb Gohar<br>Dr. Moazzam Ali                             |
| 5. | Mr. Waqar Ahmed<br>01-286221-001             | PhD<br>Geology,<br>BUIC-H11 | Change of<br>Supervisor  | Dr Muhammad<br>Zafar                          | Dr. Mumtaz<br>Ali Khan/<br>Dr.<br>Muhammad<br>Raiees Amjad           | N/A   |
| 6. | Mr. Kamran<br>Younas<br>01-286202-004        | PhD ES,<br>BUIC H-11        | Addition of<br>Co-<br>supervisor   | Dr. Asma Jamil                                | Dr Mahtab<br>Ahmed   | N/A   |
| 7. | Muhammad<br>Yaseen<br>01-281201-001          | PhD EE,<br>BUIC-H-11        | Change of<br>Supervisor<br>and Change<br>of Advisory<br>Committee<br>members | Dr. Asad Waqar                                | Dr. Imran<br>Fareed<br>Nizami/ Dr.<br>Faheem<br>Haroon               | Dr. Imran Fareed Nizami<br>Dr. Faheem Haroon<br>Dr. Adil Ali Raja<br>Dr Muhammad Majid<br>(UET Taxila)        |
| 8. | Abdul Rehman<br>01-281172-004                | PhD EE,<br>BUIC-H-11        | Change of<br>Advisory<br>Committee<br>members                                | Dr. Faisal Bashir<br>Hussain                  | N/A  | Dr. Faisal Basheer<br>Hussain<br>Dr. Moneeb Gohar<br>Dr. Khurram Ehsan<br>Dr. Rashid Ali<br>(External Member) |
| 9. | Muhammad Faisal<br>Siddiqui<br>02-281172-002 | PhD EE,<br>BUKC             | Addition of<br>Co-<br>supervisor   | Prof. Dr. Haroon<br>Rasheed                   | Prof. Dr.<br>Haroon<br>Raseheed/Dr.<br>Mukesh<br>Kumar<br>Maheshwari | N/A   |

#### Decision 2401:

**10.** FRC undertook the following decisions:

| S. No. | Name<br>(Enrolment #)             | Program           | Supervisor/ Co-<br>supervisor                              | Advisory Committee  |
|--------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|---|
| 1.     | Mr. Waqar Khalid<br>01-281202-001 | PhD CE, BUIC-H-11 | Prof. Dr. Shehzad<br>Khalid/<br>Dr. Syed Mohammad<br>Usman | Dr. Shehzad Khalid<br>Dr. Syed Mohammad Usman<br>Dr. Sumaira Kausar<br>Dr. Amna Waheed Awan |
| 2.     | Amir Ali<br>01-284202-002         | PhD CS, BUIC      | Dr. Sumaira Kausar/<br>Dr. Wizra Saeed                     | Dr. Sumaira Kausar<br>Dr. Wizra Saeed<br>Dr. Fatima Khalique<br>Dr. Arif ur Rahman          |
| 3.     | Ali Raza<br>01-283202-002         | PhD CS, BUIC      | Dr Jaffer Hasnain/<br>Dr. Rizwan ul Haq                    | Dr Jafar Hasnain<br>Dr. Naila Shaheen   |

|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Muhammad Ramzan            |
|----|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 4. | Muhammad Akram Sahi      | PhD CS, BUIC      | Dr. Khurram Ehsan/   | Dr. Khurram Ehsan              |
|    | 01-284232-006            |                   | Dr. Ali Hassan       | Dr. Ali Hassan Sodhro          |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Moneeb Gohar               |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Moazzam Ali                |
| 5. | Mr. Waqar Ahmed          | PhD Geology,      | Dr. Mumtaz Ali Khan/ | Dr. Mumtaz Ali Khan            |
|    | 01-286221-001            | BUIC-H11          | Dr. Muhammad         | Dr. Muhammad Raiees Amjad      |
|    |                          |                   | Raiees Amjad         | Dr. Muhammad Iqbal Hajana      |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Mohammad Zafar (Adjunct    |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Faculty member).               |
| 6. | Mr. Kamran Younas        | PhD ES, BUIC H-11 | Dr. Asma Jamil/      | Dr. Asma Jamil                 |
|    | 01-286202-004            |                   | Dr Mahtab Ahmed      | Dr. Said Akbar Khan            |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Humera Farah               |
| 7. | Muhammad Yaseen          | PhD EE, BUIC-H-11 | Dr. Imran Fareed     | Dr. Imran Fareed Nizami        |
|    | 01-281201-001            |                   | Nizami/ Dr. Faheem   | Dr. Faheem Haroon              |
|    |                          |                   | Haroon               | Dr. Adil Ali Raja              |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr Muhammad Majid (UET Taxila) |
| 8. | Abdul Rehman             | PhD EE, BUIC-H-11 | Dr. Faisal Basheer   | Dr. Faisal Basheer Hussain     |
|    | 01-281172-004            |                   | Hussain              | Dr. Moneeb Gohar               |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Khurram Ehsan              |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Rashid Ali                 |
|    |                          |                   |                      | (External Member)              |
| 9. | Muhammad Faisal Siddiqui | PhD EE, BUKC      | Prof. Dr. Haroon     | Prof. Dr. Haroon Rasheed       |
|    | 02-281172-002            |                   | Rasheed/Dr. Mukesh   | Dr. Mukesh Kumar Maheshwari    |
|    |                          |                   | Kumar Maheshwari     | Dr. Ovais Akhter               |
|    |                          |                   |                      | Dr. Ali Ahmed (UIT)            |
|    |                          |                   |                      |                                |

| Action Required                 | Action By        | Responsibility |
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| Implementation of Decision 2401 | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoDs |

Item No. 2402: Appointment of PhD supervisors/Co-supervisor and advisory committee members

Sponsor: HoDs Referral Authority: DRC & RAC

#### **Summary of the Case:**

**12.** HODs presented the case of appointment of supervisors/Co-supervisor and advisory committees for PhD Scholars who have been admitted in Fall 2024.

#### **Discussion:**

**13.** FRC was requested to appoint supervisors/co-supervisors and advisory committee of the scholar on the recommendations of RAC. The proposed supervisors/co-supervisors have already been recommended as relevant by the RAC.

#### Decision 2402:

- **14.** FRC undertook the following decisions:
  - a. On recommendations of the RAC, FRC approved the supervisors and advisory committee which are as follows:

| Name<br>Enrolment Number                | Program            | Supervisor                             | Advisory Committee  |
|---|--------------------|--|---|
| Muhammad Arslan Idris<br>09-281242-001  | PhD CE, BUIC-H-11  | Prof. Dr. Shehzad Khalid               | Prof. Dr. Shehzad Khalid<br>Dr. Syed Muhammad<br>Usman<br>Dr. Amina Jameel<br>Dr. Imran Taj PoP CE<br>Prof. Dr. Usman Akram   |
| Nabia Khalid<br>01-284242-002           | PhD CS, BUIC-E8    | Dr. Samabia Tehseen                    | Dr. Samabia Tehseen<br>Dr. Arif ur Rahman<br>Dr. Sumaira Kausar   |
| Muhammad Kashif Iqbal<br>01-284242-003  | PhD CS, BUIC-E8    | Dr. Arif ur Rahman                     | Dr. Arif ur Rahman<br>Dr. Samabia Tehsin<br>Dr. Sohail Akhtar   |
| Muhammad Shoaib Arshad<br>01-284232-003 | PhD CS, BUIC-E8    | Dr. Arif ur Rahman                     | Dr. Arif ur Rahman<br>Dr. Hafiz Ishfaq<br>Dr. Fatima Khalique   |
| Saeed Abbas<br>01-283242-001            | PhD Maths, BUIC-E8 | Dr. Muhammad Ramzan                    | Dr. Muhammad Ramzan<br>Dr. Jaffer Hasnain<br>Dr. Naila Shaheen  |
| Muhammad Aslam<br>01-283242-002         | PhD Maths, BUIC-E8 | Dr. Muhammad Ramzan                    | Dr. Muhammad Ramzan<br>Dr. Jaffer Hasnain<br>Dr. Naila Shaheen  |
| Zulfiqar Ali<br>01-283232-001           | PhD Maths, BUIC-E8 | Dr. Jaffer Hasnain                     | Dr. Jaffer Hasnain<br>Dr. Muhammad Ramzan<br>Dr. Naila Shaheen  |
| Zoobia Fatima<br>03-284242-001          | PhD CS, BULC       | Dr. Iram Noreen                        | Dr. Iram Noreen<br>Dr. Faiza Iqbal<br>Dr. Ghulam Rasool   |
| Muhammad Tajmal<br>03-284242-002        | PhD CS, BULC       | Dr. Iram Noreen                        | Dr. Iram Noreen<br>Dr. Faiza Iqbal<br>Dr. Ghulam Rasool   |
| Imran Ahmad<br>09-281242-002            | PhD EE, BUIC-H-11  | Dr. Imran Fareed/Dr. Syed<br>Umaid Ali | Dr. Imran Fareed Nizami Dr. Syed Umaid Ali Dr. Faheem Haroon Dr. Muhammad Aamir (Pak-Austria Fachhochschule, Institute of Applied Sciences and Technology, Haripur, Pakistan) |
| Zeeshan Saeed<br>09-281242-003          | PhD EE, BUIC-H-11  | Dr. Junaid Imtiaz/Dr.<br>Maryam Iqbal  | Dr. Junaid Imtiaz<br>Dr. Maryam Iqbal<br>Dr. Javeria Ahmad<br>Dr. Noman Naseer (Air<br>University, Islamabad,   |

|                         |                           |                   | Pakistan)          |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
|                         |                           |                   |                    |
| Muhammad Haris Siddiqui | PhD Geophysics, BUIC-H-11 | Dr. Urooj Shakir/ | Dr. Urooj Shakir   |
| 09-286242-001           |                           | Dr. Muhsan Ehsan  | Dr. Muhsan Ehsan   |
|                         |                           |                   | Dr. M Raiees Amjad |

| Action Required                   | Action By        | Responsibility |
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| Implementation of Decision – 2402 | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoD  |

Item No. 2403: Addition of Experts in the Pool of Foreign Examiners for the PhD ES program: - E&ES-H-11

Sponsor: HoD E&ES BUIC-H-11 Referral Authority: DRC

#### **Summary of the Case:**

**16.** The department of E&ES, H-11 has recommended experts for inclusion in the pool of Foreign Examiners for PhD ES Program.

#### **Discussion:**

**17.** The department briefed about the foreign examiners and highlighted that all of them fulfill the criteria for the said purpose.

#### Decision 2403:

**18.** FRC recommends the addition of the following experts in a pool of foreign examiners for the evaluation of PhD Thesis of Environmental Sciences. The names are to be forwarded to HERC for approval.

| S.<br>No. | Name                   | Designation                        | Post PhD<br>Experience<br>(Years) | Affiliation   | University<br>Ranking | Research Area(s)         |
|-----------|------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| 1         | Dr. Qiang<br>Shen      | Professor                          | 16                                | Innovation Academy for Precision Measurement Science and Technology (APM), and University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (UCAS) 340 Xudong Street, Wuhan, 430077, China |                       | Environmental<br>Science |
| 2         | Dr. Sophia<br>Ghanimeh | Research<br>Associate<br>Professor | 12                                | 1 -   |                       | Environmental<br>Science |

| 3 | Dr.<br>Khamarrul<br>Azahari<br>Razak      | Director  | 11 | Disaster Preparedness and Prevention Center (DPPC), Malaysia- Japan International Institute of Technology (MJIIT) Universiti Teknologi Malaysia (UTM)   | QS= 181<br>THE= 401-500 | Environmental Science    |
|---|---|-----------|----|---|-------------------------|--------------------------|
|   | Prof. Dr.<br>Songhao<br>Shang             | Professor | 27 | Institute of  | QS= 20<br>THE= 12       | Environmental Science    |
| 5 | Dr. Elhadi<br>Mohammed<br>Ibrahim<br>Adam | Professor | 14 | University of the Witwatersrand, Geography & Environmental Studies Division School of Geography, Archaeology and Environmental Studies, Room 102-Bernard Price Building, East Campus, Braamfontein, Johannesburg 2050, South Africa | QS= 267<br>THE= 301-350 | Environmental<br>Science |

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| Implementation of Decision –2403 | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoDs |

#### Item No. 2404: Nomination of Examiners as Foreign Evaluators for Thesis Review of PhD Scholars

Sponsor: HoD EE & E&ES BUIC-H-11 Referral Authority: DRC

#### Summary of the Case:

- **20.** Mr. Abdul Rehman (01-281172-004) is registered as PhD scholar at the Electrical Engineering Department BUKC. He successfully defended his PhD Internal Thesis Defence on 10<sup>th</sup> Sep 2024.
- **21.** Internal Thesis Defense (ITD) of three PhD scholars Ms. Aneela Khan (01-286172-002), Ms. Zainab Wahab (01-286172-008 and Mr. Waqar Ali (01-286172-009) Environmental Sciences was successfully concluded.
- **22.** Three PhD scholars of EES (Ms. Aneela Khan (01-286172-002), Ms. Zainab Wahab (01-286172-008 and Mr. Waqar Ali (01-286172-009)) BUI H-11 are in eight years of their research. Due to time constraints, the department will acquire the special approval of FE (accepted by the FRC 23rd and 24th) on case file prior to initiate the case for subsequent ratification from HERC for foreign evaluation from higher authority.
- **23.** The following foreign evaluators were presented by respective HoDs based on their DRC's recommendations.

| S# | Scholar's Name                |                      | Foreign Evaluator<br>Name  |  | Affiliation<br>(QS World Ranking/Times<br>Higher Education)   |
|----|-------------------------------|----------------------|--|--|---|
| 1  | Abdul Rehman<br>01-281172-004 | 1.<br>2.<br>3.<br>4. | Dr. Mohammed S. Elmusrati<br>(32_HERC_3214-D_xvi)<br>Dr. Jaime Lloret<br>(30_HERC_2910-C_8)<br>Prof. Ekram Hossain<br>(30_HERC_2910-C_71)<br>Dr. Rosilah Hassan<br>(32_HERC_3214-D_ii) | 1.<br>2.<br>3.   | School of Technology and<br>Innovations, University of<br>Vaasa, Finland<br>(THE Ranking: 401-500)<br>Universitat Politecnica de<br>Valencia, Spain<br>(QS Ranking:436)<br>University of Manitoba, Canada<br>(THE Ranking: 401-500)<br>Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia |
| 2  | Aneela Khan<br>01-286172-002  | 1.<br>2.<br>3.       | Dr. Qiang Shen (24_FRC_2403) Dr. Elhadi Mohammed Ibrahim Adam (24_FRC_2403) Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh (24_FRC_2403) Dr. Saeid Baroutian (31_HERC_3113-C)                                     | <ol> <li>1.</li> <li>2.</li> <li>3.</li> <li>4.</li> </ol> | (QS Ranking: 138)  University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (QS Subject Ranking:76)  University of the Witwatersrand (QS Ranking:267, THE: 301-350)  Qatar University (QS Ranking:122, THE: 201-250)  The University of Auckland (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152)           |
| 3  | Zainab Wahab<br>01-286172-008 | 1.<br>2.<br>3.       | Dr. Saeid Baroutian<br>(31_HERC 3113-C)<br>Dr. Qiang Shen<br>(24_FRC_2403)<br>Dr. Elhadi Mohammed<br>Ibrahim Adam<br>(24_FRC_2403)<br>Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh<br>(24_FRC_2403)             | 2.   | The University of Auckland (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152) University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (QS Subject Ranking:76) University of the Witwatersrand (QS Ranking:267, THE: 301-350)   |
| 4  | Waqar Ali<br>01-286172-009    | 1.<br>2.<br>3.       | Dr. Saeid Barotian (31st HERC 3113-C) Dr. Adeyeri Oluwafemi (23_FRC_2312) Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh (24_FRC_2403) Dr. Khamarrul Azahari Razak  | 1.<br>2.<br>3.<br>4.                                       | The University of Auckland (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152) Universitas Gadjah Mada, Indonesia (THE: 1001+) City University of Hong Kong (QS Ranking:62, THE: 80) Qatar University (QS Ranking:122, THE: 201-250) Universiti Teknologi Malaysia                              |

|  | (QS Ranking:181, THE: 401-500) |
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#### Decision 2404:

**24.** Based on the DRC recommendation, the following panel of foreign evaluators is recommended by the FRC.

| S# | Scholar's Name                | Foreign Evaluator Name Affiliation (QS World Ranking/Times Higher   |
|----|-------------------------------|---|
|    |                               | Education)  |
| 1  | Abdul Rehman<br>01-281172-004 | 1. Dr. Mohammed S. Elmusrati (32_HERC_3214-D_xvi) 2. Dr. Jaime Lloret (30_HERC_2910-C_8) 3. Prof. Ekram Hossain (30 _HERC_2910-C_71) 4. Dr. Rosilah Hassan (32_HERC_3214-D_ii) 4. University of Vaasa, Finland (THE Ranking: 401-500) 4. University of Manitoba, Canada (THE Ranking: 401-500) 4. Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia (QS Ranking: 138)  |
| 2  | Aneela Khan<br>01-286172-002  | 1. Dr. Qiang Shen (24_FRC_2403) 2. Dr. Elhadi Mohammed Ibrahim Adam (24_FRC_2403) 3. Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh (24_FRC_2403) 4. Dr. Saeid Baroutian (31_HERC 3113-C)  1. University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (QS Subject Ranking:76) 2. University of the Witwatersrand (QS Ranking:267, THE: 301-350) 3. Qatar University (QS Ranking:122, THE: 201-250) 4. The University of Auckland (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152)   |
| 3  | Zainab Wahab<br>01-286172-008 | <ol> <li>Dr. Saeid Baroutian 1. The University of Auckland (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152)</li> <li>Dr. Qiang Shen (24_FRC_2403)</li> <li>Dr. Elhadi Mohammed Ibrahim Adam (24_FRC_2403)</li> <li>Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh 4. Qatar University (QS Ranking:122, THE: 201-250)</li> </ol>   |
| 4  | Waqar Ali<br>01-286172-009    | <ol> <li>Dr. Saeid Barotian         (31st HERC 3113-C)</li> <li>Adeyeri Oluwafemi         (23_FRC_2312)</li> <li>Dr. Sophia Ghanimeh         (24_FRC_2403)</li> <li>Dr. Khamarrul Azahari Razak         (23_FRC_2312)</li> <li>Dr. Khamarrul Azahari Razak         (23_FRC_2312)</li> </ol> 1. The University of Auckland         (QS Ranking:65, THE: 152)         (QS Ranking:62, THE: 80)         Qatar University (QS         Ranking:122, THE: 201-250)         Universiti Teknologi Malaysia         (QS Ranking:181, THE: 401-500) |

| Action Required | Action By | Responsibility |
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| Implementation of Decision – a | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoDs |
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Item No. 2405: Continuation of MS ES Program - Mr. Raja Arslan (01-262221-008) MS ES

Sponsor: HoD E&ES BUIC Referral Authority: DRC

#### Summary of the Case:

- **26.** Mr. Raja Arsalan Iftikhar (01-262221-008) was a student of MS ES program of the department of Earth and Environmental Sciences. His case for degree termination was approved in 21 FRC (Item No. 2112) due to 3 unsatisfactory reports submitted by his supervisor because of his continuous absence. Mr. Arsalan did not appear in proposal defense as well during his 3 and 4 semesters of MS degree.
- 27. The student has contacted BUHO via email, explaining his grave familial issues during the time of his absence and has requested to allow him to complete his degree within extended degree duration time frame. After discussion with Dean and Principal BSEAS, the department of E&ES has taken the supervisor of the student onboard where she has agreed to supervise him, if he is given an opportunity to resume his degree, on condition that the student will follow all the relevant BU rules.
- **28.** The case was discussed in 23rd FRC for reconsideration for continuation of degree program in favor of the student. The committee approved the cancellation of the 3rd unsatisfactory report due to unavoidable circumstances faced by the student (Decision 2309, 23rd FRC).

#### **Discussion:**

**29.** Based on DRC recommendation, upon discussion with Director PG through Principal BSEAS H-11, the student will require special permission to appear in MS proposal defense from the honorable Rector BU after recommendation from FRC.

#### Decision 2405:

**30.** FRC has recommended that special permission to appear in MS proposal defense beyond his normal duration may be solicited from Rector BU.

| Action Required                   | Action By        | Responsibility |
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| Implementation of Decision – 2405 | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoDs |

**31.** Point Dropped.

Item No. 2406: Change in Thesis Titles of PhD Scholar - Geology

Sponsor: HoD E&ES BUIC-H-11 Referral Authority: DRC

#### Summary of the Case:

**32.** Mr. Furqan Aftab (01-286172-003) PhD scholar of Geology is enrolled in Fall 2017 and now the FTD case is ready to initiate. One of his Foreign evaluators, Dr. Ahmed E. Radwan, suggested a minor change of the research title with no impact on the research theme. The details of the title are as follows.

#### **Discussion:**

**33.** The DRC of respective departments have recommended the following changes in the thesis title:

| Sr. | Name             | Program     | Supervisor      | <b>Current Thesis Title</b>   | Proposed Thesis Title         |
|-----|------------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| No. | (Enrolment #)    |             | (Co-Supervisor) |                               |                               |
| 1   | Mr. Furqan Aftab | PhD Geology | Prof Dr.        | Reservoir Characterization of | Reservoir Characterization of |
|     | 01-286172-003    |             | Muhammad Zafar  | Sands of the Sembar           | the Cretaceous Sandstones of  |
|     |                  |             | (Dr. Muhammad   | Formation, Lower Indus        | the Sembar Formation, Lower   |
|     |                  |             | Iqbal Hajana)   | Basin, Pakistan               | Indus Basin, Pakistan         |

#### Decision 2406:

**34.** FRC approves the following PhD Thesis title:

| Sr. | Name             | Program     | Supervisor          | PhD Thesis Title                       |
|-----|------------------|-------------|---------------------|--|
| No. | (Enrolment #)    |             | (Co-Supervisor)     |  |
| 1   | Mr. Furqan Aftab | PhD Geology | Prof Dr. Muhammad   | Reservoir Characterization of the      |
|     | 01-286172-003    |             | Zafar               | Cretaceous Sandstones of the Sembar    |
|     |                  |             | (Dr. Muhammad Iqbal | Formation, Lower Indus Basin, Pakistan |
|     |                  |             | Hajana)             |  |

| Action Required                   | Action By        | Responsibility |
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| Implementation of Decision – 2406 | PGP Coordinators | Concerned HoD  |

**35.** Point Dropped.

#### **Closing of the Meeting**

**36.** Chair FRC-ES summarized the key decisions. In his closing remarks, chair – FRC thanked the members/participants for contributing to the FRC-ES meeting.

Dr. Faisal Bashir Hussain

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19<sup>th</sup> November 2024