**Visiting Professorship Chairs (VPC’s-2020)**

**Expression of Interest (EoI) - COVER SHEET**

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| VPC Candidate Name |  |
| VPC Current Organization |  |
| Host HEI Name |  |
| Proposer Name  (e.g., Research Provost, Faculty  member) |  |
| Proposer Mobile Number |  |
| Specific Research Focus |  |
| Host Institution |  |
| Primary Sector Proposal  Area  \* Please Only Check One | Energy [ ], Environment [ ]  Manufacturing [ ], Aerospace [ ], ICT [ ]  Health [ ], Food and Agriculture [ ] |
| Sub Sector Proposal Area  \* Please Only Check One  \* Please Make sure it is different from  the Primary Proposal Area chosen above | Water [ ], Energy [ ], Environment [ ]  Materials [ ], Infrastructure [ ], Aerospace [ ]  ICT [ ], Electronics [ ], Artificial Intelligence [ ], Robotics [ ]  Health [ ], Food and Agriculture [ ] |
| This Application is for  \* Please Only Check One | **Rising Star Visiting Professor [ ]**  **Established Research Visiting Professor [ ]** |

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| **Estimated Budget Summary** | | | |
| **Funds will be awarded on a year-by-year basis, based on satisfactory annual reports** | | | |
| **Number of Years planned to host the Visiting Professor** | |  | |
| **Year One Requested Funds** |  | **Total Requested Funds** |  |
| Year One Total Cash Cost Share |  | Total Cash Cost Share |  |
| Year One Total In-kind Cost Share |  | Total In-kind Cost Share |  |

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| **Signatures** | |
| **Proposer Signature** |  |
| Host Institutional Representative Name |  |
| Title |  |
| Email |  |
| **Host Institutional Representative Signature** |  |

Scanned signatures will suffice; no hardcopies are required to be submitted.  
Signatures on the proposal confirm that the institution will take responsibility for hosting the VPC candidate and that the information contained in the proposal is correct to the best of their knowledge. Also, by signing this cover sheet, the institute confirms the accuracy of cost share & in-kind share information.

**Visiting Professorship Chairs (VPC’s) Program - Expression of Interest (EoI)**

(**Do not exceed 10 pages**)

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| **Please provide date when the Visiting Professor is expected to join the Host HEI in Abu Dhabi and the length of stay:** |
| **Outline the vision for the impact the Visiting Professor is likely to have and the strategic importance to Abu Dhabi:** |
| **Specialist research area:**  *Research achievements (please justify why this individual should be awarded the status of Visiting Professor. This section should give a brief (two page maximum) outline of the research to be undertaken.* |
| **Please outline the benefits for your HEI of having this Visiting Professor on site:** |
| **Please provide an outline of the expected budget requested from the VPC’s Program (Cost Share by the host HEI will be requested at the full proposal stage):**  **Please have a look at the Budget Template from the Full Proposal RFP to be able to make a fair estimate of the budget for this section** |

**Please Attach:** C.V. of the individual proposed as a Visiting Professor.

**Requested Budget**

Budget Template

Funds will be awarded on a year-by-year basis, up to four years for “Rising Stars” and three years for “Established Professors”, based on satisfactory annual programmatic and financial reports.

Please provide the requested overall budget which will be allocated to the host HEI.

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| **Budget Category** | **Year 1** | **Year 2** | **Year 3** | **Year 4**  **(Only applicable for the Rising Star Category)** | **Total** |
| Personnel Catg. 1  VP Only |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personnel Catg. 2  Team Members (Team Total excluding VP) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Equipment |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consumables |  |  |  |  |  |
| Relocation Costs |  |  |  |  |  |
| Travel & Subsistence |  |  |  |  |  |
| Miscellaneous Costs |  |  |  |  |  |
| **Total Funds Requested** |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Cost Share (cash) |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Cost Share  (in-kind) |  |  |  |  |  |

**Budgets overview for the Full Proposal**

Personnel Catg. 1: The cost requested to accommodate the VP in terms of salary and benefits. It is worth mentioning that it is expected that the host HEI will contribute to this cost item of budget. Failure to adhere to cash cost share commitments will result in further action.

Personnel Catg. 2: The cost requested to accommodate the VP’s team of number postdocs and graduate students in terms of salary and benefits. It is worth mentioning that it is expected that the host HEI will contribute to this cost item of budget. Failure to adhere to cash cost share commitments will result in further action.

Equipment (Rising Star Category): Equipment essential to the work of the VP with a unit cost of up to AED 250,000 can be requested, with a cap of AED 300,000 in case of commitment for four years. For commitments less than four years, less amounts will be considered and must be well justified (Equipment with a unit cost of less than AED 20,000 should be included under consumables).

Equipment (Established Professors Category): Equipment essential to the work of the VP with a unit cost of up to AED 300,000 can be requested, with a cap of AED 400,000 in case of commitment for three years. For commitments less than three years, less amounts will be considered and must be well justified (Equipment with a unit cost of less than AED 20,000 should be included under consumables).

Consumables: An outline should be given of the consumables which are to be used, such as using databases, personal computers/laptops, chemicals, biological specimens etc., with a unit cost of less than AED 20,000 should be included under consumables. In research area such as, for example, biological sciences, where cost of consumables can be high, adequate justification must be provided.

Travel and Subsistence: Travel relating to the research can be requested - Trips not to exceed AED 200,000 over the span of three years for the “Established Professors” and AED 150,000 over span of four years for the “Rising Stars”. Examples include travel to collaborator home organizations, conference attendance, collaborator visits to Abu Dhabi and other directly relevant working visits.

Miscellaneous (other direct costs): An estimation of strictly miscellaneous costs, such as publication costs and any other costs that do not classify as equipment or consumables. Miscellaneous should not exceed AED 50,000 in general.

**Institutional Cost Share: It is intended that the funding from the VPC’s Program is a *contribution* to the host HEI towards the costs of receiving the Visiting Professor(s). It is not intended, however, to cover the total expenses.**

**It should be noted that the above mentioned budget guidelines pertain to VPC’s who are planning to stay for the full four years in the case of the “Rising Stars” and three years in the case of “Established Researchers”. For periods less than those mentioned, VPC’s Programs administrators will make judgement call on case-by-case basis**