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Letter of Commitment to the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers

I, Professor Paul Bartholomew, Vice-Chancellor, on behalf of Ulster University, confirm our commitment to the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers.

Ulster University fully supports the Principles of this revised Concordat and we intend to uphold our obligations and responsibilities as a signatory.

In doing so, Ulster University has co-created with colleagues from across the institution a series of value statements which set the tone for our university and provide an indication of the culture within our university – one in which values-led behaviour emphasises collaboration, inclusion, integrity and enhancing potential above all else, and directly aligns with the implementation of the key principles in the Concordat for the Career Development of Researchers particularly in terms of our supportive and inclusive research environment.

We agree to work collectively and engage with initiatives to address systemic challenges in progressing towards a UK research system where researchers work in healthy and supportive environments. We agree that researchers should be recognised and valued for their contributions in research and beyond, supported in their professional and career development, and equipped and empowered to succeed in their chosen careers.

Yours sincerely

Professor Paul Bartholomew

Vice-Chancellor