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# OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR Centre for Entrepreneurial Development Studies

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To: The Centre Leader Covenant Applied Informatics and Communication

- Africa Centre of Excellence (CApIC-ACE),

Covenant University,

Ota.

Ogun State.

Dear Sir,

### Subject: Contribution of CApIC-ACE to Entrepreneurial Development at Covenant University

With immense gratitude, I write to acknowledge the profound impact that CApIC-ACE has had on the entrepreneurial development initiatives within our university. Your commitment to funding a comprehensive research and impact analysis of entrepreneurship education has yielded significant outcomes, leading to advancements in various areas of our operations at the Centre for Entrepreneurial Development Studies.

#### 1. Enhancement of Administrative Processes

The insights gained from the impact analysis have been instrumental in refining our administrative processes. We have implemented new frameworks that have improved the efficiency and effectiveness of programme delivery, ensuring that our resources are optimally utilized to support the entrepreneurial aspirations of our students and faculty.

#### 2. Adoption of Quality Pedagogical Approaches

One of the research's key outcomes was identifying gaps in our existing pedagogical methods. In response, we have integrated a quality pedagogical approach that balances theoretical knowledge with practical application. This has significantly enriched the learning experience, equipping our students with the skills and knowledge necessary to thrive in entrepreneurial ventures.

#### 3. Development of Vocational Studies and Incubation Programs

The outcome of the research funded by CApIC-ACE facilitated the creation and enhancement of our vocational studies and incubation/acceleration programs. These initiatives offer students hands-on experience in entrepreneurship, from idea generation to business execution. The programmes have fostered a culture of innovation, developing several student-led projects with high potential for commercial success.

#### 4. Strengthening of Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

CApIC-ACE's support has been pivotal in strengthening the overall entrepreneurial ecosystem at Covenant University. We have witnessed a marked increase in student engagement and entrepreneurial activities through the new administrative, pedagogical, and vocational frameworks. This thriving ecosystem is now a hallmark of our university, attracting more students and partners interested in entrepreneurship.

#### 5. Impact on Student Success and Innovation

The comprehensive support structure enabled by CApIC-ACE has directly contributed to the success of our students. Many of them have developed viable business ideas and launched successful ventures that are making tangible impacts in their respective industries. The incubation and acceleration programs have been particularly effective in nurturing these initiatives, offering mentorship, resources, and networking opportunities crucial for start-up success.

#### **Conclusion**

Collaborating with CApIC-ACE has been invaluable in advancing our mission to promote entrepreneurship at Covenant University. The research and funding provided have enabled us to implement changes that have positively impacted our students, faculty, and the broader university community. We are excited about the future and look forward to further collaborations that will continue to drive entrepreneurial success at our institution. You may wish to connect with us through our online presence;

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Yours sincerely,

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