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Letter of commitment to the priorities of the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice

As Vice Chancellor, I, **Professor David Laloo**, on behalf of **Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (LSTM)**, confirm our commitment to the priority areas outlined in the Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice.

The Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine fully supports the priority areas outlined in the Concordat. We will deliver against all the priorities in practice and recognise our responsibilities as a signatory, as set out in the Concordat.

Climate change is a driver of poor health outcomes and as a leading institute of global health, LSTM is fully committed to addressing environmental sustainability in our operations, and to engaging staff, students and the wider LSTM community to minimise our environmental impact through teaching and research. Our Sustainability and Environment Committee was established in 2021 and has engaged staff and students in taking meaningful action to address LSTM's contribution to the climate crisis. We are developing our new Environmental Sustainability Strategy which will set out key actions to deliver our environmental sustainability objectives and targets, aligning with the priority areas of the Concordat. We are also developing an institute-wide Carbon Management Plan that will shape LSTM's decarbonisation actions and pathways towards achieving Net Zero emissions targets.

By signing this Concordat, we recognise the need to change how we conduct research and innovation as well as promote wider solutions. We also agree to take shared action now and into the future to reduce and eliminate our own environmental impacts and emissions and achieve the transition to sustainable practices.

Yours sincerely,

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