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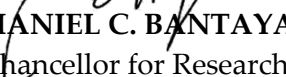
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TO : **All Deans and Directors**

FROM : 
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SUBJECT : **Call for Applications to the Emerging Interdisciplinary Research Program (EIDR) Cycle 10**

Pursuant to Memorandum No. OVPAA 2024-123 issued by the UP Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs regarding the *Call for Applications to the Emerging Interdisciplinary Research Program (EIDR) Cycle 10*, the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research and Extension (OVCRE) is now accepting proposals for funding.

Kindly take note that proposals to be considered are those that address the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The aim is to support innovative research/creative work projects that address pressing global challenges, while contributing to the achievement of these goals. Faculty and researchers from all disciplines – creative arts, social and natural sciences and engineering, are encouraged to submit proposals that clearly connect to one or more of the SDGs. These may include, but are not limited to, climate action, clean energy, sustainable cities and communities, responsible consumption and production, biodiversity conservation, gender equality, healthcare access, poverty alleviation, and education for all.

In this regard, please be informed that **all proposals shall be subjected to technical and administrative review by OVCRE prior to submission to OVPAA**. Specifically, technical review shall be undertaken by external evaluators (outside campus unit) as prescribed in the program guidelines (OVPAA-EIDR Full Proposal Guidelines Form 3.8). Proponents with pending deliverables under UP System-funded programs (EIDR, ECWRG, Balik PhD, ERF and other programs) and pending contractual obligations with the UPLB will not be considered.

Further, with the adoption of UPLB's R&E Agenda – the UPLB AGORA (*Accelerating Growth through One Research and Extension in Action*), the proposals must be aligned with AGORA's five (5) focus areas (<https://agora.uplb.edu.ph>):

- (1) Food Security and Sovereignty;
- (2) Resiliency and Sustainability;
- (3) Future Communities and Institutions;

- (4) One Health; and
- (5) Social Justice and Cultural Flourishing

Please upload the proposal (OVPAA-EIDR Forms-3.9-and-3.10) duly endorsed by your respective units and colleges and attachments through bit.ly/2024EIDRCycle10. E-signatures are acceptable. Deadline of submission shall be **on or before 14 October 2024**.

Please be guided by the following schedule:

October 14, 2024	Deadline for submission of documents to OVCRE
October 15 to December 13, 2024	CU-level and external review of project proposals
December 16, 2024	Deadline for submission of proposals to OVPAA

Thank you very much.