

**On-site Evaluation
ACE Impact Component 1.1
Proposals for NEW Africa Centers of Excellence**

Proposal Title:	
Institution:	
Country:	
TOTAL SCORE:	/110

Criteria for Evaluation	Score
<p>Institutional Leadership and Project Ownership (maximum 10 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the Vice-Chancellor fully support the proposed ACE Impact center? • Does the Vice-Chancellor offer the appropriate institutional support to the center? • Does the institutional leadership offer a compelling vision that fully incorporates the proposed center? • Is the institutional ownership of the proposed center evident from faculty and student awareness and inclusion? • If the institution has a current ACE center, how has the institutional leadership supported the current ACE center? 	<p>Score /10</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	
<p>Potential for Institutional Impact (maximum 5 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the institution committed to incorporating global best practices for higher education management? • Does the Vice-Chancellor and institutional leadership support targeted institutional reforms? • Does the institution have a strategic plan for management, governance and operational improvements/reforms? • Does the institution have a commitment to regionalization, and a plan for implementing a regionalization strategy? 	<p>Score /5</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	

<p>Government Involvement and Ownership (maximum 5 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the government fully committed to support the proposed ACE Impact center? • Does the government offer a compelling vision for the higher education sector that fully incorporates the proposed center? • How has the government supported current ACE I centers? • Is the government committed to academic independence in the ACE Impact centers? 	<p>Score /5</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	
<p>Center Leadership (maximum 10 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is the proposed center leadership suitably qualified and motivated to lead a center of excellence? • Does the proposed center leadership present a compelling vision for the center? • Are faculty, staff and students supportive of the center leadership? • Is the management plan clearly delineated? 	<p>Score /10</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	

<p>Center Management and Administrative Capacity (maximum 10 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the proposed Center have the personnel capacity - at the management and administrative levels – to implement the education and research plans? • Does the proposed center and institution have effective policies and practices in place to support the education and research activities? 	<p>Score /10</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	
<p>Resources (maximum 5 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the proposed center have the physical resources – classrooms, teaching laboratories, etc. – necessary to undertake its education plans? • Does the proposed center have the physical resources – laboratories, computational resources, library resources, etc. – necessary to undertake its research plan? • Does the proposed center have a convincing plan to procure new equipment, materials and other items necessary to complete the proposed workplan? 	<p>Score /5</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	
<p>Center and Institutional Capacity to Implement Activities (maximum 5 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the institution have a record of achievement in supporting large project awards? Does the institution have effective policies and practices in place to manage large awards? • Do the center and institution have an adequate understanding of potential risks, and a management strategy to mitigate issues that arise? • Do the institution, the International Scientific Advisory Board (ISAB) and Sectoral Advisory Board (SAB) have an appropriate role in center management and oversight? 	<p>Score /5</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	

<p>Sectoral Engagement (maximum 10 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Did the site visit team meet with appropriate sectoral stakeholders? Does the sector buy in to the goals of the proposed center? • Does the proposed center have the essential sectoral partners – including the major national and regional stakeholders addressing the Development Challenge. • Are sectoral stakeholders prepared to contribute intellectually to the education and research programs of the proposed center? • Has the proposed center established the necessary partnerships to succeed in its vision and goals? • Comment on the financial commitment and other contributions of the partners to the proposed center. • Comment on the commitment of the proposed Sectoral Advisory Board. • Is there a record of achievement for sectoral-academic partnerships involving those participants in the proposed center? 	<p>Score /10</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	
<p>Center Vision (maximum 5 points)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the On-site visit inspire confidence in the vision for the proposed center? • Do all center participants – leadership, faculty, staff, partners, institutional leadership, students – support the vision of the proposed center? • Does the vision include a viable plan for sustainability? 	<p>Score /5</p>
<p>Comments to justify score:</p>	

<p>Relevance to Development Challenge (based upon Desk/Panel Review)</p>	<p>/10</p>
<p>Education (based upon Desk/Panel Review)</p>	<p>/20</p>
<p>Research (based upon Desk/Panel Review)</p>	<p>/15</p>

Additional Comments by Evaluator

Name of Evaluator:

Signature of Evaluator:

Date: