MINUTES OF MEETING BETWEEN EXPERTS FROM THE WORLD BANK AND THE PROJECT STAFF OF THE AFRICA CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE IN COASTAL RESILIENCE (ACECOR) ON IMPLEMENTATION PLAN FOR THE ACECOR PROJECT ON SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2019 AT THE ACADEMIC BOARD CHAMBER

# **PRESENT**

### **EXPERTS**

Prof. Madiodio Niasse Primary Expert from World Bank
Prof. Mamadou Diallo Secondary Expert from World Bank

### ACECOR TEAM

Prof. Denis W. Aheto Director, ACECoR

Dr. Precious Agbeko D. Mattah Deputy Director, ACECoR

Dr. Isaac Okyere Academic Coordinator, ACECoR (Moderator)

Dr. Emmanuel Acheampong DH & ISM, ACECoR

Dr. Samuel Tulashie Applied Research Coordinator, ACECoR

Dr. Donatus Bapentire Anguureng CG&E, ACECoR

Dr. Samuel Agblorti Theme Leader, DRM & M, ACECoR

Dr. Noble Kwame Asare SLO ACECoR/HoD, DFAS

Dr. Michael Miyittah Theme Leader, Eco. Ser. & Biology

Mr. Ernest A. Afrifa ESSO, ACECoR

Mr. Joshua Adotey M & E Officer, ACECoR

Ms. Elizabeth Effah Theme Leader, CCA&M, ACECoR

Mr. Nicholas Ampofo Procurement Officer, ACECoR

Mr. Moses Setiga Head, ICT – ACECoR

Mr. Enoch Essoun-Enchill Asst. Accountant, ACECoR

Mr. Eric Agyenim-Boateng Accountant, ACECoR

Mr. Ekow A. Prah Administrator, ACECoR (Secretary)

## ABSENT WITH APOLOGY

Mrs. Elizabeth Obese FM Coordinator, ACECoR

Mrs. Sika Abrokwah Grants Manager, ACECoR

Ms. Esinam Attipoe Communications Manager, ACECoR

Ms. Ivy Akuoko Theme Leader, BEGS

# **IN-ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Richard Adade Principal Research Assistant, DFAS

# 1.0 OPENING

The second day's meeting started at 9:00 a.m. and the Supervision Mission Team met sample of post-graduate students of the Centre.

### 2.0 MEETING OF SAMPLE POST-GRADUATE STUDENTS

The Supervision Mission Team met the following twelve (12) sample students of the Centre:

i. Isaac Osei Ph.D (Fisheries Science)

ii. Alberta Jonah Ph.D (ICZM)

iii. Ebenezer Kpelly Ph.D (Aquaculture)

iv. Elizabeth Effah Ph.D (ICZM)

v. Linda Lamptey M.Phil (ICZM)

vi. Grace Nikoi-Olai M.Phil (Aquaculture)

vii. Success Sowah M.Phi (Oceanology and Limnology)

viii. Delove Asiedu M.Phil (Oceannology)

ix. Gabriel Gator M.Phil (Fisheries Science)

x. Sheila Fynn-Korsah Fisheries Science

xi. Lesley Ntim ICZM

xii. Eugenia Amador M.Phil (Fisheries Science)

These students are on USAIDS project. These students were met without any University faculty/staff being present. After the meeting, the Supervision Mission Team reported that the students were very serious. They said that having more female students on the programme than male students was very good for the project. They said that the students were very happy about the seriousness the faculty members attached to supervision of graduate work. The team also

commended the arrangement where students could go for a year abroad at the University of Rhode

Island during their programme of studies. The team requested that a temporary space should be

provided for graduate students to do their work.

3.0 SUBMISSION OF PROJECT DOCUMENTS

The Supervision Mission Team members said that the revised implementation plan should be sent

to Association of African Universities in two (2) weeks' time and all the relevant documents should

be attached.

4.0 WORKING SPACE FOR STAFF OF THE CENTRE

Dr. Precious Mattah, the Deputy Director of ACECoR enquired from the Supervision Mission

Team about how possible it could be for the World Bank to increase the percentage of the fund

that is meant for infrastructure. In response to the question, Prof Diallo replied that the World Bank

would not accept the request to increase the percentage of the fund for the building project. He

stated that the World Bank may extend the project to ten (10) years and the need to make the

Centre become more functional. He also said that the Centre should leverage on existing projects

such as the USAIDS with the ACE project.

5.0 STUDENTS' REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE CENTRE

A member of the Supervision Mission Team said that there was the need to have a students'

representatives on the Regional Facilitation Unit (RFU) at the AAU. This Prof Aheto replied that

ACECOR is in the process of conducting an interview to get one of the students to be on RFU.

6.0 **CLOSING** 

The Director of the project thanked the Supervision Mission Team on behalf of the University

Management for their assistance and guidance. The meeting came to a close at 11:05am

PROF. DENIS W. AHETO **CHAIRMAN** 

MR. EKOW A. PRAH

**SECRETARY** 

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