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

I, **Francesca Osowska**, on behalf of **Scottish Funding Council (SFC)** confirm our commitment to the priority areas outlined in the [Concordat for the Environmental Sustainability of Research and Innovation Practice](#).

SFC 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.

By signing this concordat, we recognise the need to change how research and innovation are conducted as well as promoting 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.

As outlined in our [Net Zero and Sustainability Framework for Action](#), SFC is fully committed to addressing environmental sustainability in our operations and to supporting institutions to contribute to Scotland's climate emergency response and on their own net zero journeys.

We recognise our influential role as a funding body and we are committed to using our influence to catalyse the transition to environmental sustainability across the research and innovation system.

We recognise that all six of the priorities of the concordat are important to us and we are committed to identifying, exploring and realising opportunities to implement the concordat priorities. This includes engaging with other funding bodies and research organisations across the sector, to learn from each other, collaborate, and to find and implement solutions.

