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To: All Higher Education Institutions, higher education stakeholders and role-players in Higher Education, all interested persons

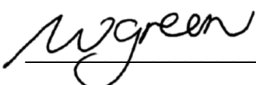
Subject: Draft Good Practice Guide on Honorary Degrees and Professorships

The Council on Higher Education (CHE) announces the release of the Draft Good Practice Guide on Honorary Degrees and Professorships (the Draft Good Practice Guide) and invites comments and feedback towards strengthening the document. This will ensure effective implementation of the Good Practice Guide. It will also contribute towards the protection of the credibility of academic titles, assist to protect society from the abuse of the practice of conferring honorary degrees and professorships as well as assist to prevent the misuse of conferred honorary academic titles.

The Draft Good Practice Guide addresses current policies and practices and makes recommendations for policy and good practice to ensure rigour, consistency and transparency in awarding of honorary degrees and professorships. It also provides guidance on responsible use of the honorary titles.

Link to the Draft Good Practice Guide: [Draft Good Practice Guide on Honorary Degrees and Professorship](#)

The CHE requests higher education institutions, stakeholders in higher education and all interested persons to submit comments and suggestions for improvement and strengthening of the Draft Good Practice Guide. Comments must be submitted to Ms Qaqamba Mkula on mkula@che.ac.za and copied to mheqsf@che.ac.za by 30 November 2024.



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