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Letter of Commitment to the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers

I, Professor Frances Corner, Warden of Goldsmiths, University of London, confirm our commitment to the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers.

Goldsmiths fully supports the Principles of this revised Concordat and we intend to uphold our obligations and responsibilities as a signatory.

Researchers are vital to the future of a research-intensive university like Goldsmiths. We have been proud holders of the HR Excellence in Research Award (HREiRA) since 2012 and aim to provide excellent career development support for all our research staff, at all stages of their career. In becoming signatories to the revised Concordat (2019) we seek to reinvigorate our commitment to researcher development at Goldsmiths and enable all our research staff to achieve their full potential.

We agree to work collectively and engage with initiatives to address systemic challenges in progressing towards a UK research system where researchers work in healthy and supportive environments. We agree that researchers should be recognised and valued for their contributions in research and beyond, supported in their professional and career development, and equipped and empowered to succeed in their chosen careers.

Yours sincerely,



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