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**Subject:** KFUPM STAR Faculty Search

Dear Dr/Prof. Ayman Rateb Badawi: Greetings from Saudi Arabia. Hope this email finds you well.

I am writing to you in my capacity as the Director of Office of Research Chair Professors, and Director of Industry Collaboration, King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals (KFUPM). I got your contact from our reviewer's database. I would like to invite you to apply to work in an exciting and a rapidly evolving academic/research environment in which several faculty positions at all academic ranks, with excellent benefits and perks are available. Your impressive academic and research credentials make you one of the most suitable candidates to apply, and I would therefore appreciate if you could peruse the information below and indicate your interest to be considered.

KFUPM is one of the leading accredited international universities (ABET, AACSB) in the world. It is ranked 163<sup>rd</sup> in QS World Rankings and 14<sup>th</sup> in university rankings based on the number of patents assigned by USPTO.

KFUPM is the only co-educational institute in Saudi Arabia that offers both undergraduate and graduate degrees. We have an international faculty body, most of whom have graduated from leading global universities such as yours. KFUPM's student strength is about 7,000, student to faculty ratio is about 7, and it strives to attract top faculty, both locally and internationally. In this conducive environment, you are surrounded by enthusiastic faculty and graduate students in your areas of expertise, enabling you to participate in grand challenges and in impactful research. It is also an environment that fosters the establishment of distinguished careers and contributes to leadership in research. The engagement will be via a rolling contract.

Please feel free to seek any clarification and I will be glad to answer your queries. I would also like to make an initial telephone call and speak with you sometime soon; if this is alright with you then you may kindly send your contact numbers and indicate a convenient time to call. My contact details are given below. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Kindest regards.

-Sadiq M. Sait, PhD

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