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Dear Sir/ Madam

<u>RE:</u> Invitation for a one-day policy dialogue event on Strategic Health Purchasing for Universal Health Coverage in Rwanda on 30th March, 2022 at Radisson Blu Hotel & Convention Centre, Kigali

Reference is made to the tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), between the University of Rwanda (UR), the Ministry of Health (MoH) and the Strategic Purchasing Africa Resource Centre (SPARC), signed in January 2020 to build the local capacities, and generate evidence to support the government's efforts to attain the Universal Health Coverage (UHC).

Based on this collaborative framework, the University of Rwanda, College of Medicine and Health Sciences, School of Public Health; in collaboration with the MOH, Rwanda Social Security Board, documented the country's key policies and lessons (progress, duplicates, conflicts, etc) in Strategic Health Purchasing that can be built upon to accelerate the attainment of UHC goals.

It is in this regard that we wish to invite you to attend a one-day policy dialogue event scheduled on Wednesday, 30th March, 2022 at Radisson Blu Hotel & Convention Centre, Kigali from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM.

The main items on agenda include:

- Discussion of the results of the Strategic Health Purchasing (SHP) functional mapping, share lessons learnt from the SHP for the COVID-19 response in Rwanda,
- Discussion of the ongoing SHP reforms (capitation and Health Benefits Package redesign) and how they address the gaps identified in the SPH functional mapping, discuss SHP learning agenda

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- to support dialogue between policy makers and implementers to continue to drive SHP in Rwanda.
- Discussion how to strengthen sustainable heath financing system in Rwanda to support longerterm preparedness for pandemic and building health system resilience for UHC.

Costs related to Covid-19 tests and other expenses for participants (outside Kigali City) will be covered bythe organizers. For details, please see attached concept note.

For more information, please contact: XXXXXX. on Tel, [telephone number] or email: [email address]

We thank you for your collaboration

Yours Sincerely,

Assoc. Prof. XXXXX W
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CC:

- Hon. Minister of Health
- Hon. Minister in Charge of Primary health care
- Vice- Chancellor University of Rwanda

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