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Agriculture and food Division Committee (AFDC)

RE: **DRAFT TANZANIA STANDARDS FOR STAKEHOLDERS' COMMENTS**

Kindly refer to the above subject matter.

2. Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) is in the process of developing standards on Biotechnology as indicated below:

- AFDC 11 (797)DTZS/ISO 21710:2020 Biotechnology - Specification on data management and publication in microbial resource centers
- AFDC 11 (798)DTZS/ISO 21899:2020 Biotechnology - Biobanking - General requirements for the validation and verification of processing methods for biological material in biobanks
- AFDC 11 (805)DTZS/ISO 20397-2:2021 Biotechnology - Massively parallel sequencing - Part 2: Quality evaluation of sequencing data
- AFDC 11 (806)DTZS/ISO/TR 3985:2021 Biotechnology - Data publication - Preliminary considerations and concepts

3. According to procedures for preparation of Tanzania Standard(s), the draft standards are hereby circulated for stakeholders' comments.

4. Being one of the key stakeholders in standards development, we kindly request you to go through the draft standards and send your comments regarding its technical contents. Suggestion which entails revision of text should indicate the preferred wording and the relevant clause should be quoted against each comment. In case you find it suitable and no comments, please notify accordingly.

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5. Your comments can be submitted in electronic form or hard copy as per attached form.
6. We will appreciate receiving your comments before **2022-02-28**.
7. Thanking you in advance for your kind and continued cooperation.
8. Yours Sincerely



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