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RE: DRAFT TANZANIA STANDARDS FOR STAKEHOLDERS' COMMENTS

Kindly refer to the above subject matter.

- Kindly be informed that, Tanzania Bureau of Standards (TBS) is in the process of developing standards eight (8) on Biotechnology sub sector as indicated below:
- According to procedures for preparation of Tanzania Standard(s), the draft standards are hereby circulated for stakeholders' comments:
 - i) AFDC 11 (2275) DTZS/ ISO 24088-1:2022 Biotechnology Biobanking of microorganisms - Part 1: Bacteria and archaea
 - ii) AFDC 11 (2274) DTZS/ ISO 20691:2022 Biotechnology Requirements for data formatting and description in the life sciences
 - iii) AFDC 11 (2273) DTZS/ISO 20404:2023 Biotechnology Bioprocessing General requirements for the design of packaging to contain cells for therapeutic use
 - iv) AFDC 11 (2272) DTZS/ ISO/TS 24420:2023 Biotechnology Massively parallel DNA sequencing - General requirements for data processing of shotgun metagenomic sequences
 - v) AFDC 11 (2271) DTZS/ISO 24190:2023 Biotechnology Analytical methods -Risk-based approach for method selection and validation for rapid microbial detection in bioprocesses
 - 11 (2270) DTZS/ISO/TS 23494-1:2023 Biotechnology Provenance information model for biological material and data - Part 1: Design concepts and general requirements

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- vii) AFDC 11 (2269) DTZS/ISO/TS 23511:2023 Biotechnology General requirements and considerations for cell line authentication
- viii)AFDC 11 (2268) DTZS/IS0 21569-7:2022 Horizontal methods for molecular biomarker analysis- methods of analysis for the detection of GMO and derived products - part 7 Real time PCR based methods for the detection of CaMV and Agrobacterium Ti plasmid derived DNA sequences
- 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
- 5. Your comments can be submitted in electronic form or hard copy as per attached Form.
- 6. We will appreciate receiving your comments before **2024-04-15**.
- 7. Thanking you in advance for your kind and continued cooperation.

Yours Sincerely 8.

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