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### List of Abbreviations

**AGR** Agricultural Sciences

**AHCI** Arts and Humanities Citation Index

ANZ Australia and New-Zealand

**APAC** East Asia and Pacific

**APC** Article Processing Charges

**API** Application Programming Interface

**ARCI** Arabic Citation Index

**ASJP** Algerian Scientific Journal Platform

**BRICS** Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa

**CC** Creative Commons

**CNEAI** Spanish Commission for the Evaluation of Research Activity

**COARA** Coalition for Advancing Research Assessment

**CONICET** National Scientific and Technical Research Council in Argentina

**CPEC** China-Pakistan Economic Corridor

CU Country name in the Web of Science

**CWTS** Centre for Science and Technology Studies

**DFAJ** Directory of Free Arab Journals

**DOAJ** Directory of Open Access Journals

**DOI** Digital Object Identifier

**DORA** San Francisco Declaration on Research Assessment

**DP** Domestic Publication

**DPWFA** Domestic Publication with Funding Acknowledgment

**EKB** Egyptian Knowledge Bank

**ENG** Engineering & Technology

**ESCI** Emerging Sources Citation Index

**ESI** Essential Science Indicators

**EU** European Union

**EUCA** Europe-Central Asia

**FA** Funding Acknowledgment

**FCU** Country of the Funder

**FD** Funding Details

**FO** Name of the Funding Organization

**FOS** Fields of Science and Technology

FR Grant Number

**FT** Funding Text

**GCC** Gulf Cooperation Council

**GDP** Gross Domestic Product

**GERD** Global Expenditure on Research and Development

GOAP Global Open Access Portal

**HEC** Higher Education Commission in Pakistan

**HIOECD** High Income OECD

**HUM** Humanities

IASJ Iraqi Academic Scientific Journal platform

**IP** International Publication

**IPWFA** International Publication with Funding Acknowledgment

**ISC** Islamic World Science Citation

**ISI** Institute for Scientific Information

**ISSN** International Standard Serial Number

JCR Journal Citation Reports

JIF Journal Impact Factor

**KAUST** King Abdullah University of Science and Technology

KSA Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

**LATAM** Latin America and Caribbean

**LDA** Latent-Dirichlet Allocation

**LSA** Latent Semantic Analysis

MED Medical & Health Sciences

**MENA** Middle East and North Africa

MSA Modern Standard Arabic

NAT Natural Sciences

OA Open Access

**OECD** Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

**OIC** Organization of Islamic Cooperation

**ORCID** Open Researchers and Contributor ID

PLSA Probabilistic Latent Semantic

**QNRF** Qatar National Research Fund

QS Quacquarelli Symonds

**RDE** Research and Development Expenditure (As % of GDP)

**SA** South Asia

**SCI** Science Citation Index

**SCIE** Science Citation Index Expanded

**SDG** Sustainable Development Goal

**SJR** Scientific Journal Rankings

**SOC** Social Sciences

SSA Sub Saharan Africa

**SSCI** Social Sciences Citation Index

**SSH** Social Sciences and Humanities

**STEM** Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

**STI** Science, Technology and Innovation

**THE** Times Higher Education

**UAE** United Arab Emirates

UK United Kingdom

**ULAKBIM** Turkish Academic Network and Information Center

**UNDP** United Nations Development Programme

**UNESCO** United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

**WBL** Women, Business and the Law

**WoS** Web of Science