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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Five years ago, I joined HWU through the initiative of global platform for research leaders. Since then, I managed to establish a small research group funded by governmental and industrial research grants. As my group is gaining traction, I want to start serving the wider university community and if elected to the university Senate, that would be a first step towards this goal.

Before joining HWU, I held a research fellow position at the university of Texas at Austin, a research associate position at Imperial College London and assistant professorship at Al-Azhar University in Cairo. I earned my graduate degrees (MAsc and PhD) from McMaster University, Canada. During my graduate studies, I was elected to McMaster University Board of Governors (2003 - 2005) as a representative to the graduate students and served as member of McMaster University Finance Committee managing both the budget and the pension plans of the university. Also, I was elected to the executive board of McMaster Graduate Students Association (2002-2003). Working at a number of universities provided me with first-hand experience of different management styles. It exposed me to the various approaches to achieve world leading teaching and research activities. Moreover, serving at McMaster board of governors enabled me the gain close-up knowledge of the challenges facing higher educational institutes and a number of approaches to achieve financial sustainability without compromising the university goals.

Building on all of that, I am now seeking your vote to be elected to HWU Senate. I believe that I can enrich the discussions about the future directions of our university to achieve the main goals of internationalization, excellence in teaching and leading research initiatives with high societal impact.

Best Regards,

Ahmed