

**Royal Decree 76/2020**  
**Establishing the University of Technology and Applied Sciences**

We, Haitham bin Tarik, the Sultan of Oman

after perusal of the Basic Statute of the State,

Royal Decree 6/2002 Determining the Competences of the Ministry of Higher Education and Adopting Its Organisational Structure,

Royal Decree 76/2004 Determining the Competences of the Ministry of Manpower and Adopting Its Organisational Structure,

Royal Decree 62/2007 Governing the Colleges of Applied Sciences,

and the System of the Administrative Apparatus of the State promulgated by Royal Decree 75/2020,

and in pursuance of public interest,

**have decreed as follows**

**Article I**

A government university named the “University of Technology and Applied Sciences” is hereby established. It shall have legal personality, shall enjoy financial and administrative independence, and its headquarters shall be in the Governorate of Muscat.

**Article II**

The University of Technology and Applied Sciences shall have a Vice Chancellor with the special grade appointed by royal decree.

**Article III**

All competences, allocations, assets, rights, obligations, and holdings of Rustaq College of Education, Colleges of Applied Sciences, Directorate General of the Colleges of Applied Sciences in the Ministry of Higher Education, Higher College of Technology, Colleges of Technology, and Directorate General of Technical Education in the Ministry of Manpower are hereby transferred to the University of Technology and Applied Sciences.

**Article IV**

Teaching and academic members of Rustaq College of Education and Colleges of Applied Sciences in the Ministry of Higher Education and Higher College of Technology and Colleges of Technology in the Ministry of Manpower are hereby transferred to the University of Technology and Applied

Sciences with their same employment status and financial entitlements, as well as all the employees of these colleges with their same financial grades.

The employees of the Directorate General of the Colleges of Applied Sciences in the Ministry of Higher Education and the Directorate General of Technical Education in the Ministry of Manpower are hereby transferred to the University of Technology and Applied Sciences with their same financial grades, in accordance with the rules specified by the Council of Ministers.

#### **Article V**

The University of Technology and Applied Sciences shall undertake the competences prescribed to the Ministry of Higher Education and the Ministry of Manpower set out in the royal decrees and systems related to the colleges stipulated in article III of this decree.

The Vice Chancellor of the University of Technology and Applied Sciences shall also exercise the competences prescribed to the Minister of Higher Education and the Minister of Manpower set out in the royal decrees and systems referred to in this article.

#### **Article VI**

The system of the University of Technology and Applied Sciences shall be issued by a royal decree, and until it is issued, the royal decrees and systems related to the colleges stipulated in article III of this decree shall continue to operate to the degree that they do not contradict with its provisions.

#### **Article VII**

All that is contrary to this decree, or in conflict with its provisions, is hereby repealed.

#### **Article VIII**

This decree shall be published in the Official Gazette, and comes into force on the date of its issuance.

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**Haitham bin Tarik  
Sultan of Oman**