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## DIRECTORATE OF INSTITUTIONAL ADVANCEMENT (D.I.A)

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

APPOINTMENT OF THE **ACTING** DEPUTY VICE CHANCELLOR (ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND RESEARCH)

The Chancellor of Busitema University Professor Vinand Mutakabala Nantulya while exercising the power vested in him under section 32(1) of the Universities and Other Tertiary Institutions Act, 2001 (as amended) – Instrument dated 28th August 2023, has appointed Professor Elly N. Sabiiti as Acting Deputy Vice Chancellor in charge of Academic Affairs and Research of Busitema University effective 28th August 2023 for a period of 6 months or Until such a time when a suitable Substantive person is appointed after the ongoing DVC search committee exercise.

Brief: Professor Sabiiti holds a Ph.D in Rangeland Ecology from the University of New Brunswick- Canada and currently a Professor of Environmental Sciences and Management in the Department of Natural Resources, Faculty of Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, Busitema University. He is a Fulbright Scholar and TWAS Research Professor, he has got of over 40 years working experience in research in Agricultural/ Environmental Rangeland Sciences, University teaching, graduate supervision, mentorship, and outreach including administrative experiences at national, regional, and international levels. He was appointed a Professor on contract for five years at Busitema University w.e.f June 2021 to date. Previously he served at Makerere University full-time for 36 years (1985 to November 2021) with diligence and passion. Before that, he served as a Special Assistant (teaching and doing his MSC program 1976- 1979), sponsored by the University on yearly contract renewal. He has supervised 32 graduate students to completion and two ongoing at Masters (1) and Ph.D. (1) levels and now supervising 5 Msc graduate students as well at Busitema University. He has on record over 150 science and technology publications including books, and edited conferences that have been of value to the Government and many public /private communities. Currently, he is mentoring staff, teaching, graduate supervision, conducting research and publication and developing new research proposals for funding, and developing a Ph.D. program in environmental sciences. Further brief details obtained can be via: https://people.busitema.ac.ug/staff/academic-staff/elly-sabiiti

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