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| 9.00am – 9.30 am | Registration of participants and refreshment                                     | Overview of research centres and their focus areas  
(1) Global trend and national research focus and direction  
(2) Updates on recent R&D direction and issues in UTAR  
(3) Overview on how to start a research project  
(4) Research proposal preparation: overview  
(5) Research project implementation and management  
(6) Further work and commercialisation of completed research work  
(7) Cross-disciplinary research work: how to get started |
| 9.30am – 10.30am | Opening and presentation by IPSR                                                |                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10.30am – 11.00am | Briefing on break-out brainstorming, discussion, idea ‘cross-fertilization’ sessions. | Discussion groups of not more than 20 members per group shall be formed with a coordinator each.  
Each group shall be assigned a room for discussion. Each room shall be equipped with white board, projector and PC. |
| 11.00am – 13.00pm | Group discussion (to be led by a Coordinator)                                  | General understanding of members’ research areas, expertise and activities.  
Identification of possible research areas / topics / projects which are relevant to socio-economic environment of Malaysia.  
Discussion on details of projects identified above e.g. project title, team members, objectives, plan, budget, possible funding sources, etc. |
<p>| 13.00pm – 14.00pm | Lunch break                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                  |</p>
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| 14.00pm – 15.30pm | Group discussion (to be led by a Coordinator)                             | - Identification of possible research areas / topics / projects which are relevant to socio-economic environment of Malaysia.  
- Discussion on details of projects identified above e.g. project title, team members, objectives, plan, budget, possible funding sources, etc. whichever possible.  
- Outline of next actions to be taken and deadlines. |
| 15.30pm – 16.00pm | Tea break                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 16.00pm – 17.00pm | Group presentations (to be led by a Coordinator) Wrap-up session          | - Sharing of the outcome of the brain-storming and group discussion sessions.  
- Conclusion and wrap-up by IPSR Director. |