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**To: The Nominations Committee
World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO)
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Personal Message from Eng. Yonas Ayalew Tessema

Nominee for National Members Representative, WFEO Executive Council

I am deeply honored to be nominated by the Ethiopian Association of Civil Engineers (EACE) for the position of National Members Representative to the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO) Executive Council. I accept this nomination with gratitude and a steadfast commitment to serve.

With over two decades in civil engineering, leadership, and global collaboration, I have had the privilege of presiding over EACE. In this role, I have championed professional excellence, empowered emerging engineers, and forged meaningful partnerships worldwide.

I am driven by a belief that engineering is a catalyst for progress transforming communities, advancing sustainability, and bridging divides. If elected to the WFEO Executive Council, I will work tirelessly to strengthen national member organizations, promote innovative, inclusive practices that align with WFEO's vision.

My pledge is to foster collaboration, advocate for engineering's pivotal role in achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, and elevate WFEO's influence in shaping global policy. Together, we can build a future where engineering not only excels technically but also leads in creating a more equitable, resilient, and sustainable world.

Sincerely,

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Qualifications and Experience of the Candidate

Eng. Yonas Ayalew Tessema

Nominee for WFEO Executive Council – National Members Representative

Eng. Yonas Ayalew Tessema is a seasoned civil engineer and transformational leader with over 25 years of progressive experience in engineering, public service, and institutional leadership. He holds a Master's degree in Transformational Leadership and Change from the University of Greenwich, a Bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering, and an Advanced Diploma in Building Engineering from Addis Ababa University.

Currently serving as the President of the Ethiopian Association of Civil Engineers (EACE), Eng. Yonas has played a pivotal role in strengthening the organization's national and international presence. Under his leadership, EACE has strengthened its engagement with global platforms, including the World Federation of Engineering Organizations (WFEO), Federation of African Engineering Organizations (FAEO), and the World Council of Civil Engineers (WCCE). He also served as an advisor for the FAEO president. He has successfully led various engineering conferences, forums, and initiatives that have promoted knowledge exchange and professional excellence within Ethiopia and beyond.

Eng. Yonas is also the Chief Executive Officer of the Ethiopian Construction Works Corporation, where he oversees the implementation of large-scale infrastructure projects. His extensive public service includes leadership roles such as Bureau Head of the Addis Ababa City Construction Bureau, Head of the Infrastructure and Construction Authority, and Project Manager in both government and private sectors.

In terms of international engagement, Eng. Yonas has represented Ethiopia at major engineering forums including UNESCO's 8th African Engineering Week, Big5 Dubai and Ethiopia, and other global knowledge-sharing events. His presentations and active participation in these events underscore his commitment to elevating the engineering profession through collaboration, innovation, and policy advocacy.

As President of EACE, a recognized member of WFEO, Eng. Yonas has supported initiatives that align with WFEO's mission and has continuously encouraged young engineers and women to take part in international engineering platforms. His leadership approach is rooted in inclusiveness, sustainable development, and cross-border cooperation.

With a proven track record in engineering excellence, visionary leadership, and international cooperation, Eng. Yonas is exceptionally qualified to represent national member organizations on the WFEO Executive Council and contribute meaningfully to its global objectives.