

World Federation of Engineering Association Maison de l'UNESCO, 1 rue Miollis, 75015 Paris, France

Copenhagen, 4 March 2020

Support letter for the annual celebration of the World Engineering Day for Sustainable development

Dear Madam, dear Sir,

With this letter, we would like to congratulate you on your great idea of proposing 4th March to be proclaimed as the World Engineering Day for Sustainable Development, which was successfully supported by UNESCO.

We – the Association of Nordic engineers $(ANE)^1$ – promote the role and the profession of engineers in the transition to a sustainable society and work towards the recognition of the engineering positive impact on our societies.

We focus on attracting more young people, especially girls choosing the STEM education and profession. We also create spaces for engineers to inform and have discussions on ethical considerations in the development and deployment of new technologies and AI. Moreover, we advocate for the need of lifelong learning opportunities for engineers and the modernization of engineering education. When it comes to Sustainable Development Goals, and in cooperation with Engineers without Borders – Denmark, we have developed a capacity building project² for the Sierra Leone Institute of Engineers.

We fully support your initiative, and we will celebrate the world engineering day on 4th March. This year, we will mark the day by highlighting our capacity building project in Sierra Leone.

Yours sincerely,

Inese Podgaiska Secretary General

¹ ANE was established in May 2007 and represents more than 500,000 engineers in the Nordic region. For more information, please visit the website: nordicengineers.org

² http://nordicengineers.org/content/projects