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Ms. Audrey Azoulay
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By Email to WFEO: executivedirector@wfeo.net

Support for Declaration of World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability

Dear Ms. Azoulay,

On behalf the China Association for Science and Technology (CAST), I am writing to indicate the strong support of our organisation for the *Declaration of 4th March of each year as World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability*.

As the largest non-governmental organization of scientific and technological professionals in China, CAST serves as a bridge that links the Chinese government to the country's science and technology community. Through its 210 national member societies and local branches all over the country, CAST maintains close ties with millions of Chinese scientists, engineers and other professionals working in the fields of science and technology.

If declared, our organisation commits to celebrating World Engineering Day with a wide range of activities that promote the role of engineering for climate change action and sustainability as urgent action is needed in these areas. Such celebrations will improve community recognition of the importance of engineering to society and the economy.

The activities to celebrate World Engineering Day is expected to encourage young people, girls and boys, to raise the number of people studying science and mathematics, increasing the intake of engineers into universities. This is critical for the sustainable development of our country.

We anticipate that our activities will reach and have an impact on 90 millions of people in our country.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Jiansheng ZHANG', written over a vertical line.

Dr. Jiansheng ZHANG
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