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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 of the members of the Chamber of Engineering Technology, 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*.

The Chamber of Engineering Technology (COET) is the voluntary association for the Republic of South Africa with responsibilities to serve the interests of all professional engineering practitioners from engineers, technologists to technicians in all engineering disciplines. COET is an Engineering Council of South Africa (ECSA) recognised Voluntary Association. ECSA is the South African statutory body and COET supplies persons to assist ECSA in its functions and duties.

We directly or indirectly represent some 6000 engineering practitioners.

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 many thousands of people in our country.

Yours sincerely,
The Chamber of Engineering Technology



Executive Officer