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Ms. Audrey Azoulay
Director General, UNESCO
7 Fontenoy Place
Paris, France

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

Dear Ms. Azoulay,

On behalf of the Colegio Federado de Ingenieros y de Arquitectos de Costa Rica, CFIA, 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 CFIA is the national body for Costa Rica responsible for regulating the engineering and architecture professional practice. Among its main goals, CFIA promotes the educational, social, economic, technical, artistic, and legal conditions required for the evolution of these disciplines and cooperates with state and private institutions in everything aimed at assisting the country's development.

We represent 26,000 engineers and 5500 architects.

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 4, 9 million people in our country.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Director