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Director General, UNESCO
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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 New South Wales Australia Chapter of the Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka [IESL NSW] I am writing to express 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 Institution of Engineers Sri Lanka [IESL] is the peak body of the engineering profession in Sri Lanka and IESL NSW is the regional body in New South Wales Australia to enable expatriate Sri Lankan engineers now domiciled in New South Wales, Australia to enable the sharing of engineering knowledge and practice.

We directly or indirectly represent around 500 engineers living in NSW Australia.

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 countries.

We anticipate that our activities will reach and have an impact on many people in our region.

Yours sincerely,

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