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Ms. Audrey Azoulay

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 Science & Technology Australia (STA), 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.

STA is the peak body for science, technology, engineering and mathematics in Australia, and comprises 73 member organisations representing more than 70,000 STEM professionals, institutions, and student networks.

If declared, STA commits to celebrating World Engineering Day by elevating visibility through our public communication and within our networks, and by encouraging our member organisations to likewise celebrate the Day with a wide range of activities that promote the role of engineering for climate change action and sustainability. Such celebrations will improve community recognition of the importance of engineering to society and the economy.

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

Yours sincerely,

Kvlie Walker

Chief Executive Officer

Science & Technology Australia