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Ms. Audrey Azoulay
Director General, UNESCO
7 Fontenoy Place
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Dear Ms. Azoulay,

SUPPORT FOR DECLARATION OF WORLD ENGINEERING DAY FOR CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION AND SUSTAINABILITY

The West African Federation of Engineering Organisations (WAFEO) is a sub-regional, non- governmental organisation, which develops direct relationship among its member organisations on a basis of mutual understanding, so that their activities may be fostered and be directed to the greater good.

WAFEO is affiliated to WFEO (World Federation of Engineering Organisations) and recognized by FAEO (Federation of African Engineering Organizations) as one of its five (5) sub-regional bodies. WAFEO is the umbrella body of professional engineering organizations of countries in the West African sub-region.

On behalf of the members of the West African Federation of Engineering Organisations, I write to express and lend our robust support for the *Declaration of 4th March of each year as World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability (WED-CASS)*.

Our call to action on global warming has become a matter of urgent importance as our planet faces a “do” or “die” crossroad, following the dire report recently released by the United Nations Inter-governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).

If declared, our organization commits to celebrating World Engineering Day each year with a wide range of activities that promotes the role of engineering in climate change action and sustainability, thereby increasing community recognition of the importance of engineering to the techno-economic development of the West Africa sub-region.

WED-CASS is also expected to ignite young students’ interest in science, technology, engineering and mathematics, which would invariably increase the intake level of student engineers into our universities. This stimulates the rise of innovation, and its concomitant effect on productivity, competitiveness and economic growth of the continent.

We anticipate that our activities will reach out to, and have a resounding impact on more than 360 million people in West Africa.

Yours sincerely,

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