



# The Zimbabwe Institution of Engineers

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

Dear Ms. Azoulay,

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

On behalf of the members of the Zimbabwe Institution of Engineers (ZIE), I am writing to indicate the strong support of our organisation for the *Declaration of 4<sup>th</sup> March of each year as World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability*.

The Zimbabwe Institution of Engineers is the national professional body for engineering professionals in Zimbabwe with the following responsibilities:

- To set and maintain appropriate standards of engineering competence.
- To promote the advancement of Engineering and facilitate the transfer and dissemination of engineering knowledge.
- To raise the character and status of the profession and promote public awareness and confidence in it.
- To ensure correct standards of professional conduct and ethics are adhered to.

We have more than 7000 active members.

If declared, our organisation commits to celebrating World Engineering Day each year 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 increase 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 increase 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 more than 10 million people in our country.

Yours sincerely,

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