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To: UNESCO Director General Ms. Audrey Azoulay

I, Michael Auer, on behalf of the International Federation of Engineering Education Societies (IFEES) and the Global Engineering Deans Council (GEDC) support the Proclamation of 4th March of each year as World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability and all its planned activities coordinated by the WFEO.

World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability will provide an opportunity for dialogue and action between the engineering community and policy makers, industry leaders, scientists and non-governmental organizations on issues relating to climate change and sustainable development.

IFEES and the GEDC work with an international network of leaders in engineering education to improve engineering education and research by leveraging the collective strength of our networks on a global scale. IFEES presently boasts more than 50 institutional, societal, and corporate members spanning across the globe and touching every continent. Currently, Deans from more than 100 institutions are members of the Council, in addition to nearly one hundred corporate, organization, associate, active former and chapter members.

IFEES and the GEDC are honored to take part in this project and to collaborate in delving deeper attitudes, practices and mechanisms that limit climate change action. We will strengthen alliances with WFEO to maximize the impact of the World Engineering Day for Climate Change Action and Sustainability by:

- Contributing to the dissemination of project outputs internally and externally, by harnessing the engagement and impact in both online and face-to-face settings;
- Providing, when suitable, in-kind support during events and outreach activities; and
- Supporting activities around the world, including: awareness-raising of the contribution of engineering for climate change action and sustainability, capacity-building, outreach to engineering students and professionals that are committed to sustainable change.

Sincerely,

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