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

On behalf of the members of the Women's Engineering Society (WES) 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.

WES is a charity and a professional network of women engineers, scientists and technologists offering inspiration, support and professional development. Working in partnership, we support and inspire women to achieve as engineers, scientists and as leaders; we encourage the education of engineering; and we support companies with gender diversity and inclusion.

If declared, our organisation commits to celebrating World Engineering Day and promoting the role of engineering in taking action on climate change and improving sustainability. This along with our other member activities will improve recognition of the importance of engineering to society and the economy. An important part of our work is to encourage women to take up engineering roles and stay in the field, with a view to increasing the number of women choosing to work in engineering.

If we are to tackle our skills shortage and improve UK productivity in a sustainable manner, it is critical that we encourage women to take up one of the diverse and interesting roles on offer in engineering. That is why this and other such initiatives are so crucially important to show not only the relevance of engineering to all aspects of people's lives but also the impact that an engineer can have with their career.

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