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## The Director-General

To Non-Governmental Organizations  
maintaining official relations with UNESCO

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Subject: **Consultation of Non-Governmental Organizations on the preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget for 2012-2013 (36 C/5)**

Sir, Madam,

At its 34<sup>th</sup> session in October 2007, the General Conference adopted the Medium-Term Strategy for 2008-2013 (34 C/4), which provides the strategic vision and programmatic framework for the Organization over this six-year period.

As you know, the same session of the General Conference adopted the recommendations of the **Sexennial Report** by the Executive Board on the contributions made to UNESCO's activities by Non-Governmental Organizations (document 34 C/27). These recommendations notably foresee a 'more effective involvement of the NGOs maintaining official relations with UNESCO in the formulation' of the Organization's programme. The adjustment of the dates of the biennial International Conference of Non-Governmental Organizations, decided in December 2009, is the first step in this direction.

The preparation of the **Draft Programme and Budget for 2012-2013 (36 C/5)** that we are initiating will be guided by this strategic vision and, to the extent possible, will build upon the results achieved and lessons learned during the implementation of the Programme and Budget for 2008-2009 (34 C/5 Approved), and for 2010-2011 (35 C/5 Approved). The Draft Programme and Budget for 2012-2013 is expected to deepen efforts towards the achievement of the overarching and strategic programme objectives of the Medium-Term Strategy, while also responding to emerging needs and priorities in a rapidly changing international environment. Document 184 EX/4 (and Draft 36 C/3) may be useful in assessing to what extent the various objectives and expected outcomes of the Medium-Term Strategy were attained in the first biennium of the medium-term period.

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I am pleased to send you herewith a working document in the form of a **questionnaire**, which has been prepared to facilitate the consultation of UNESCO's Member States and NGOs maintaining official relations on the 36 C/5. The document is intended as an open discussion tool, and it sets out the kind of input and guidance that I seek from this consultation.

Member States, as well as NGOs, are invited to transmit to me any comments and proposals they may have concerning the Draft Programme and Budget for 2012-2013 (36 C/5). The **deadline** for the receipt of written replies has been set for **12 July 2010**. I should be grateful if you could kindly send the replies directly to Mr Hans d'Orville, Assistant Director-General for Strategic Planning, UNESCO, 7 Place de Fontenoy, 75352 Paris 07 SP, France (tel: + (33-1) 45 68 19 19; fax: + (33-1) 45 68 55 21; e-mail: [g.awamat@unesco.org](mailto:g.awamat@unesco.org)).

In order to facilitate the drawing up of your written answers, an information meeting, chaired by Mr Hans d'Orville, will be held **at 10 a.m. on Friday, 2 July 2010** at UNESCO Headquarters. I invite you to participate widely in this meeting.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Marie-Ange Théobald, Chief of the Section for NGOs (tel.: + 33-1 45 68 14 98; fax: +33-1 45 68 56 43; e-mail: [rpo-ngo@unesco.org](mailto:rpo-ngo@unesco.org)).

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Irina Bokova', written in a cursive style.

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