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The Chairperson

Representatives of the States
Members of the Executive Board
of UNESCO

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10 September 2021

Dear Colleague,

I have the honour to invite you to participate in the **212th session of the Executive Board**, which will take place from **Wednesday 6 to Wednesday 20 October 2021**. The provisional agenda of this session is attached herewith. The provisional timetable for this session will follow shortly.

The Plenary meeting is scheduled to begin in the morning of **Monday 11 October** when the Director-General will introduce the plenary debate on:

- Item 4 Execution of the programme adopted by the General Conference (Parts I and II),
- Item 5 Follow-up to decisions and resolutions adopted by the Executive Board and the General Conference at their previous sessions (Parts I to IV), and, if deemed necessary,
- Item 19 Draft Medium-Term Strategy (41 C/4) and Draft Programme and Budget (41 C/5)

Members' contributions to the Plenary debate will begin immediately after the Director-General's introduction and will continue throughout the morning of Tuesday 12 October.

I hereby invite you to add your name to the **list of speakers** as soon as possible, and in any case, **before 1 October 2021** (the enclosed registration form is to be completed and returned to the Secretariat of the Executive Board at explendebate@unesco.org). Please note that the list is drawn up according to the order in which registration forms are received from Member States on the Board and will be sent to Board members and Delegations prior to the Plenary debate. It will also be available on the Executive Board website.

During the Plenary debate, members are kindly invited to focus their contributions on the precise items of the agenda of the session.

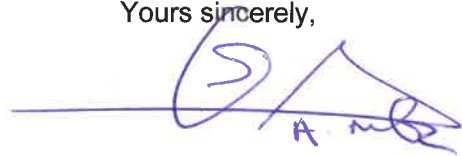
The Executive Board will consider item 3 entitled the "*Report by the Director-General on the application of Rule 59 of the Rules of Procedure of the Executive Board*" and item 32 entitled "*Appointment by the Executive Board of the Chairperson and the Alternate Chairperson of the Appeals Board*" in a private meeting after the afternoon public plenary session on Tuesday 12 October.

Item 25 pertaining to the "*Nomination of a candidate for the post of Director-General of UNESCO*" will be examined in a private meeting at 10am on Wednesday 13 October.

As previously, I would like to remind Member States that they may hold informal consultations, as outlined in recommendations 44 to 47 of 39 C/Resolution 87, "*Governance procedures and working methods of the governing bodies of UNESCO*". These informal consultations should ensure that the work of the Committees and Commissions relating to the agenda items that they will consider be efficient and cost effective.

Pursuant to 180 EX/Decision 22 (Part I), the PX and FA Commissions will continue to examine, in joint meetings, items with intertwined programme, administrative and financial aspects.

Yours sincerely,



Agapito Mba Mokuy

PLENARY DEBATE
SPEAKERS' LIST INSCRIPTION FORM

(6 minutes maximum per speaker)¹

Please note that the speaker's list is drawn up according to the order of receipt of the inscription forms

Member State (or observer):

Name and title of the speaker

Mr or Ms

SURNAME:

First name:

Title:

Professional email address:

&

Contact mobile telephone number:

Choice of date² (*in the name of efficient time management, members are encouraged to intervene on the first day of the plenary debate*)

Monday 11 October 2021

or

Tuesday 12 October 2021

Morning

Please return to the Secretariat of the Executive Board **before Friday 1st October 2021** at e-mail address: explendebate212@unesco.org ; Contact Phone n°: 01 45 68 18 65

For any changes to the name and title of the speaker subsequent to its transmission, please alert the Secretariat of the Executive Board at the earliest and absolutely prior to the day and time of the speech.

The electronic files of your statements should be transmitted (**in WORD format**) as soon as possible to the following address: EXB-Speeches@unesco.org.

¹ Based on the practice introduced at the 190th session, each Executive Board Member State will be allocated a maximum of **6 minutes** speaking time

² Time of meetings: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. & 3-6 p.m. unless otherwise announced