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Dear President,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 14 March 2018, by which you request the renewal of the Agreement between UNESCO and the University of Tehran concerning the UNESCO Chair on Engineering Education, established on 26 April 2014.

In light of the good results achieved by the abovementioned Chair, confirmed by the positive report on the evaluation of its activities, I am pleased to inform you that UNESCO agrees to renew the above-mentioned Agreement for an additional period of four years, until 26 April 2022.

I was pleased to note that the Chair has made good progress in terms of engineering education and networking that has contributed to the SDGs. In addition, the outcomes of its activities are substantive and respond to the local needs.

The Chair has served as an exemplary capacity-building institution and information exchange platform locally, regionally and internally which is commendable.

May I kindly remind you that the use of the UNESCO Chair logo is limited to the period covered by the renewed Agreement that is until **26 April 2022**. Moreover, all publications, papers and documents should carry the following disclaimer:

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Should the University wish to pursue the activities of the Chair beyond this renewed period, a formal request to renew the validity of the Agreement must be addressed to UNESCO six months before the expiry date of the current Agreement. The decision to renew a Chair's Agreement is based, among others, on the positive evaluation of the reports on the activities carried out by the Chair.

A mid-term report is due two years after the renewal of the Agreement (i.e. April 2020), followed by a final report two years later. Reports should follow the UNESCO template available at <http://www.unesco.org/en/university-twinning-and-networking/application-and-forms/progress-report-form/>.

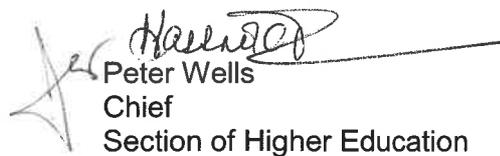
Finally, I invite the Chairholder and the Chair's team to contact Ms Rovani Sigamoney, Assistant Programme Specialist in Section for Innovation and Capacity Building in

Science and Engineering at the Natural Sciences Sector (tel.:+ 33 1 45 68 22 37; e- mail: r.sigamoney@unesco.org), who has been identified as this Chair's focal point at UNESCO to explore further possible cooperation.

For all other matters, I invite you kindly to contact Ms Liliana Simionescu, Programme Specialist in charge of the UNITWIN Programme, Section of Higher Education of the Education Sector (tel.: +33 1 45 68 11 82; e-mail: l.simionescu@unesco.org).

Looking forward to our continued cooperation, I remain,

Yours sincerely,


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