

## **National statement of LITHUANIA**

**Delivered by His Excellency Mr Gabrielius Landsbergis, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Lithuania**

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Mr. President,

Madam Director General,

Excellencies, Distinguished colleagues,

Let me begin by expressing appreciation of the efforts of the Director General aimed at strengthening UNESCO for the past four years. Lithuania continues to support and contribute , in line with the Medium-Term Strategy 2022-2029. We align ourselves with the EU statement to be delivered later in this session.

Unique UNESCO mandate in education, science and culture allows strengthening lasting peace, sustainable development and human rights by facilitating dialogue among nations. We should continue effective use of all instruments and resources

Since 1991, as a member of UNESCO, Lithuania has actively engaged in the implementation of UNESCO mandate. In this light we presented our candidature to the UNESCO Executive Board for the term 2021-2025, with a view to further support inclusive and high-quality education for all, promote the development of science, digital technou2073eW\*nBTF2 12 Tf1 0 0 1 12.22 3.19 Tm0 g0 Gfne

