



NIGERIA NATIONAL STATEMENT DELIVERED BY THE
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Mr. President of **the** General Conference,
Chairperson of the Executive Board,
Madam Director-General,
Honourable Ministers and distinguished Delegates,
Excellencies, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Warm greetings from the people and government of the

improving the living conditions of the marginalized in the society. Opportunities in the Draft Programme and Budget for the Social and Human Sciences Sector (SHS) will, no doubt, impact our action and assist our targets to reduce the impact of the pandemic and achieve the SDGs. We shall continue to pursue good governance, equality, respect for human rights, rule of law, transparency and accountability.

5. In the Communication and Information Sector, Nigeria is developing its National Digital Economy Policy.

- We are engaging social media platforms for a common code of conduct that will reduce the incidence of fake news and hate speech; and look forward to hosting the 2022 UNESCO Media and Information Literacy Week. We aim to increase the ease and speed of broadband access of National Broadband Plan, while reducing the cost by 51.28%.

6. The Draft Programme and Budget document before us Medium-Term Strategy are a comprehensive proposal, developed out of an inclusive process. Nigeria looks forward to their adoption. We appreciate efforts to re-conceptualize the Global Priority Africa and the continued effort of the Secretariat to engage Member States in this regard.

In conclusion, Nigeria remains committed to UNESCO's programme and policies to achieve the SDGs and other Global Agenda for Sustainable Development. The present reality is indeed a pointer to our vulnerability to unforeseen occurrences

