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Dear Ms Dederin,

PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA'S OUTGOING ENGAGEMENT AT UNESCO: INVITATION FOR EYEBRAINGYM TO MAKE A PRESENTATION AT UNESCO, 08 JULY 2026

South Africa, together with South Sudan, was elected during the 43rd session of the UNESCO General Conference, in November 2025, to represent the African continent on the SDG4 High-Level Steering Committee (HLSC) for a two-year term.

The HLSC serves as the apex United Nations platform responsible for providing strategic direction, mobilising resources, and strengthening partnerships to advance the achievement of SDG4 and its associated targets. Its membership reflects the global education community and is structured into a Leaders Group and a Sherpa Group comprising senior technical representatives. The Minister of Higher Education and Training (DHET), Mr Buti Manamela, represents the country in the Sherpa Group.

The Director-General of UNESCO, Professor El-Enany, has subsequently invited President Matamela Ramaphosa to co-chair the Leaders' Meeting with him on 10 July 2026 at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, France. Under the leadership of The Presidency and Dirco, the South African National Commission for UNESCO and other relevant line function departments are making arrangements for the outgoing visit.

In light of the above, the South African National Commission for UNESCO hereby extends an invitation for the representative(s) of your organization to form part of the National Commission delegation, at own financial expense, for the country's engagement with UNESCO. If possible, this would give your organization a golden opportunity to make the presentation to UNESCO on the EyeBrainGym programme. The National Commission has already secured an appointment for the EyeBrainGym presentation for Wednesday, 08 July 2026 from 13h00 to 15h00.

We will be grateful to hear from you.

With kind regards,

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SECRETARY-GENERAL: SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO
DATE: 09 JUNE 2026