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## The Government of Ghana and UNESCO to Launch a Programme to scale up Comprehensive Sexuality Education

Accra, Ghana, 28 January 2019 – Over 20 Ministers of Education and of Health will meet in Accra to officially launch a programme that will support delivery of good quality comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) in Ghana and five other countries on the continent. The officials will also meet to commit to scaling up comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) and youth friendly sexual and reproductive health rights services for adolescent and young people.

The Our Rights, Our Lives, Our Future (O3) Programme, supported by UNESCO and the Governments of Sweden and Ireland, will allow the six countries, including Ghana, to deepen the scope of existing activities to attain an almost full-scale implementation of CSE. The purpose is to improve sexual and reproductive health of young people and adolescents for a consistent reduction in new HIV infections, early and unintended pregnancy, gender-based violence, and child marriage.

The meeting in Ghana will enable a secured and sustained strong political commitment and support for adolescents' and young people's access to CSE and sexual and reproductive health services across sub-Saharan Africa among others.

DATE: Wednesday, 30 January 2019

**TIME**: 9a.m. (Journalists are to be seated at 9:30 a.m.)

**VENUE**: Alisa Hotel, Accra

#### **SPEAKERS:**

The Director General of UNESCO, Audrey Azoulay Minister of Health, Ghana, Kwaku Agyeman-Manu Minister of Education, Ghana, Hon. Matthew Opoku Prempeh

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