

Thank you for your letter of 20 September 2006 requesting UNESCO's patronage for the 4th International Conference "The Human Being in Contemporary Philosophical Conceptions", which will take place from 28 to 31 May 2007 at Volgograd State University.

I should like to congratulate you on this important initiative to promote philosophical reflection, which is one of the central objectives of UNESCO's Intersectoral Strategy on Philosophy.

It is therefore my pleasure to grant UNESCO's patronage to this event.

I wish you every success with the Conference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Matsuura', written in a cursive style.

Koïchiro Matsuura