

**CONFERENCE ON THE ESTABLISHMENT
OF THE INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY**

**Resolution on Establishing a Preparatory Commission
for the International Renewable Energy Agency**

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The Conference on the establishment of the International Renewable Energy Agency,

having signed the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency,

having decided to take all possible measures to ensure the rapid and effective establishment of the International Renewable Energy Agency,

having decided to this end to establish a Preparatory Commission,

decides as follows:

1. There is hereby established the Preparatory Commission for the International Renewable Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") for the purposes of:

- a.) carrying out the necessary preparation for the first meeting of the Assembly and for the effective and early coming into force and implementation of the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Statute"), particularly by establishing the interim working structures that are necessary for this purpose;
- b.) taking the necessary preliminary steps in order to ensure the early presence, profile and influence of the Agency in the international renewables field; and
- c.) carrying out the necessary activities in order to ensure the effective preliminary implementation of the objectives of the Statute as soon as possible.

2. The Commission shall come into existence on the first day the Statute is open for signature.
3. The Commission shall be composed of one representative of each of the Signatories of the Statute.
4. The expenses of the Commission shall be met by voluntary contributions in cash or in kind, and for this purpose the Commission shall make the necessary arrangements.
5. The Commission shall have international legal personality. Subject to national legislation, it may enjoy such domestic legal capacity as may be necessary for the exercise of its functions and the fulfilment of its purposes.
6. The Commission shall meet on the day it is established and as often as it deems necessary thereafter, subject to its financial resources.
7. The Commission shall take decisions in accordance with the majority requirements for the respective issue foreseen in Article IX of the Statute relating to the Assembly of the Agency.
8. Concerning its organisation and capacity to work the Commission shall, inter alia:
 - a.) elect its Chairman and other officers, and establish such committees as it deems necessary;
 - b.) in order to offer the Agency effective working structures for adoption by the Assembly:
 - (1) approve at its first session a selection procedure for the interim seat and the Interim Director-General;

- (2) appoint an Interim Director-General, who shall serve until the appointment of the Agency's Director-General in accordance with Article IX paragraph I of the Statute;
 - (3) decide on the interim seat, which shall serve as the headquarters until the Assembly decides on the final seat of the Agency in accordance with Article IX paragraph I; and
 - (4) establish an Interim Secretariat to assist the Commission, to exercise such functions and powers as the Commission may determine and to appoint the necessary staff in accordance with Article XI paragraph C of the Statute;
- c.) develop and adopt such interim rules of procedure, interim financial, staff and other administrative regulations and such an interim working programme as may be necessary for the effective implementation of its purposes.

9. The Commission shall designate the interim seat of the Secretariat and the Interim Director-General of the Secretariat by consensus of the Signatories present, or, if no consensus can be reached, by a majority vote of two-thirds of the Signatories present and voting.

10. The Commission shall prepare, inter alia, the following documents concerning the organisation and work of the Agency and requiring immediate attention after the entry into force of the Statute:

- a.) a provisional agenda for the first meeting of the Assembly;
- b.) draft rules of procedure of the Assembly and the Council;

- c.) a draft budget and financial rules of the Agency;
- d.) a draft work programme, including recommendations on relationships with other relevant international and regional organisations;
- e.) draft documents concerning the permanent recruitment of staff;
- f.) a draft procedure for the election of members of the Council in accordance with Article X paragraph A of the Statute, according to which the Commission shall make proposals for the elections of members for the first Council;
- g.) a comprehensive report of its activities and all matters within its mandate to be submitted to the Assembly for its first meeting; and
- h.) such reports, studies and recommendations as it deems relevant in order to ensure the effective and early start of the Agency's activities.

11. The Commission may, for the further implementation of its purposes, carry out such activities of the Agency, as set out in the Statute, as may be necessary for the preliminary implementation of the Agency's objectives.

12. The Commission shall remain in existence until the Statute comes into force and thereafter until the conclusion of the first session of the Assembly and the election of the Council in accordance with the Statute.