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Annotated Provisional Agenda for the Sixth Session of the Assembly of the International Solar Alliance (ISA)

Summary

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Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

- 1. The Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly shall commence at 09:30 hours IST on 31 October 2023 in New Delhi.
- 2. The Republic of India, as the incumbent President of the ISA Assembly, shall chair the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly. The French Republic, as the incumbent Co-President of the ISA Assembly, shall be the Co-Chair.
- 3. The Chair shall welcome the delegations from Member Countries, Signatory Countries, Prospective Member Countries, Partner Organisations and Special Invitee Organisations present and invite the Co-Chair to deliver their opening remarks.
- 4. The Director General ISA shall convey the vote of thanks on behalf of the ISA and the ISA Secretariat.

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of the Agenda

- 5. The Assembly shall have before it the Provisional Agenda for the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.01.** (*Rule 18, Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the ISA*).
- 6. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and adopt the Provisional Agenda for the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly.

Agenda Item 3. Selection of Rapporteurs

- 7. The Chair shall propose to appoint two members of the Assembly as Rapporteurs for the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly. (*Rule 44, Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the ISA*)
- 8. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to appoint the proposed members as the Rapporteurs for the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly.

Agenda Item 4. Report of the Credentials Committee

- 9. The Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly approved the Credentials Committee for the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly with the following countries as its members;
 - i. Federal Republic of Germany
 - ii. Kingdom of the Netherlands
 - iii. Republic of Cuba
 - iv. Cooperative Republic of Guyana
 - v. Union of the Comoros
 - vi. Republic of Ghana
 - vii. Nepal
 - viii. Japan



- 10. The Credentials Committee shall examine the credentials of all representatives and present their report to the Assembly.
- **11.** The Chair shall invite the Chair of the Credentials Committee to present the Committee's report to the Assembly.
- **12.** The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the report of the Credentials Committee and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 5. Granting of Observer Status

- 13. Pursuant to Rule 31 of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, and in accordance with Article IV (5) and IX of the Framework Agreement of the ISA, the ISA Assembly may choose to grant Observer Status to the Signatories to the Framework Agreement of ISA who are yet to ratify the agreement, Prospective Member Countries of the ISA, and to any organisation which can further the interest and objectives of the ISA.
- **14.** The Assembly shall have before it the list of Signatories to the Framework Agreement of ISA who are yet to ratify the Framework Agreement of the ISA and Prospective Member Countries of ISA as contained in the information document **ISA/A.06/INF.01.**
- **15.** The Assembly shall have before it the list of special Invitee Organisations as contained in the information document **ISA/A.06/INF.02**.
- 16. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to grant Observer Status to Signatories to the Framework Agreement of ISA, Prospective Member Countries of the ISA, and the Special Invitee Organisations.

Agenda Item 6. Confirmation of the report of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly

- 17. The Assembly shall have before it the detailed report and the summary report of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly as contained in the working document **ISA/A.05/WD.19. and ISA/A.05/WD.19A,** respectively.
- 18. Pursuant to Rule 80 of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, the report of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly shall not be official until approved by the Assembly.
- 19. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the report of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly.

Agenda Item 7. Action Taken Report of the of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly

- **20.** The Assembly shall have before it the Action Taken Report of the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.03**.
- 21. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the Action Taken Report and provide necessary guidance to the ISA Secretariat thereon.



Agenda Item 8. Audited Financial Statement of the ISA

- 22. The Assembly shall have before it the Audited Financial Statement of the ISA for CY 2022 as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.04**.
- 23. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the Audited Financial Report of the ISA for CY 2022.

Agenda Item 9. Granting of Partner Organisation Status

- 24. Pursuant to Article VIII of the Framework Agreement and Rule 33 of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, the Partner Organisation status shall be granted by the Assembly to those organisations that have the potential to help ISA achieve its objectives.
- 25. The Assembly shall have before it the list of organisations to be granted Partner Organisation status as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.05**.
- 26. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to ratify the Partner Organisation status of these organisations in accordance with Article VIII of the ISA Framework Agreement.

Agenda Item 10. Report of the Depositary

- 27. The Government of the Republic of India is the Depositary of the ISA Framework Agreement. (Article XIV, ISA Framework Agreement). The Depositary is represented by the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The Depositary maintains the report on ISA membership and all related matters therein.
- 28. The Chair shall invite the Depositary to present its report.
- 29. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the report of the Depositary and take note of the progress made in terms of membership of the ISA.

Agenda Item 11. Adoption of the report of the ISA Standing Committee Meetings

- 30. Pursuant to Rule 23 of the Rules of Procedure of the Standing Committee (Annexure II of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly), the ISA Standing Committee Meeting reports are prepared by the ISA Secretariat in close cooperation with the Rapporteur of the Meetings.
- 31. The Assembly shall have before it the detailed report and summary report of the Eighth Meeting of the ISA Standing Committee as contained in working documents **ISA/SC.08/WD.13 and ISA/SC.08/WD.13A**, respectively
- 32. The Assembly shall have before it the detailed report and summary report of the Ninth Meeting of the ISA Standing Committee as contained in working documents **ISA/SC.09/WD.13 and ISA/SC.09/WD.13A**, respectively.
- 33. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the reports of the ISA Standing Committee Meetings and provide guidance on the business undertaken and the specific recommendations of the Standing Committee.



Agenda Item 12. Adoption of the report of the ISA Regional Committee Meetings and address by the Chair of the ISA Regional Committees

- 34. The following reports of the ISA Regional Committee Meetings have been prepared by the ISA Secretariat and approved by the Chairs of the respective Regional Committees:
 - i. Report of the Fourth Meeting of the ISA Regional Committee for Europe and the Others Region as contained in the working document **ISA/RCEOG.04/WD.09**.
 - ii. Report of the Fifth Meeting of the ISA Regional Committee for Asia and the Pacific Region as contained in the working document **ISA/RCAP.05/WD.09**.
 - iii. Report of the Fifth Meeting of the ISA Regional Committee for Latin America and the Caribbean Region as contained in the working document **ISA/RCLAC.05/WD.09**.
 - iv. Report of the Fifth Meeting of the ISA Regional Committee for the Africa Region as contained in the working document **ISA/RCA.05/WD.09**.
- 35. The Chair shall invite the Vice-Presidents of the ISA to address the Assembly about the deliberations and recommendations of the respective Regional Committee Meetings chaired by the Vice-Presidents.
- 36. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the reports of the ISA Regional Committee Meetings and adopt the specific recommendations of the Committees.

Agenda Item 13. Report of the Director General on ISA programmes, activities and initiatives: Annual Report

- 37. Pursuant to Rule 47 of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, the ISA Secretariat will present the Annual Report of ISA, capturing the progress made under the programmes, activities, and initiatives of the ISA.
- **38.** The Assembly shall have before it the Annual Report 2023 as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.06.**
- 39. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the Annual Report 2023 and the summary of the Annual Report for 2023 and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 14. Update on the revised organisational structure and status of ISA Secretariat Staff

- 40. The Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly approved the revised organisational structure of the ISA, including new positions proposed by the ISA Secretariat.
- **41.** The Assembly shall have before it the proposed revised organisational structure with a proposal to include the project-based secondment positions in the ISA Secretarial organisational structure, a proposal for new positions at the ISA Secretariat and updates on the ISA Secretariat staff as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.07**.
- 42. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the status of the ISA Secretariat staff, approve the proposals of the ISA Secretariat and provide guidance thereon.



Agenda Item 15. Proposal for establishment of an Administrative Tribunal in accordance with the requirement of the ISA Staff Regulations

- **43.** The Assembly shall have before it the proposal of the ISA Secretariat to establish an Administrative Tribunal as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.08**.
- 44. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the proposal of the ISA Secretariat to establish an Administrative Tribunal and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 16. Proposal for restructuring of the ISA Viability Gap Funding Mechanism

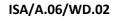
- 45. The Fourth Session of the ISA Assembly approved a Viability Gap Funding (VGF) mechanism proposed by the ISA Secretariat in its working document ISA/SC.05/WD.10.Rev01.
- 46. During the Eighth Meeting of the ISA Standing Committee, the ISA Secretariat proposed to restructure the VGF mechanism. Subsequently, a revised VGF mechanism was presented to the ISA Standing Committee during its Ninth Meeting.
- 47. The Assembly shall have before it the revised VGF Mechanism as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.09.**
- 48. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the revised VGF mechanism proposed by the ISA Secretariat and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 17. Update on the ISA STAR-C initiative

- 49. The International Solar Alliance launched the Solar Technology Application Resource Centre (STAR C) in Member Countries as a technology, knowledge, and expertise hub and a go-to place for solar energy for the Member Countries at regional and country levels.
- **50.** The Assembly shall have before it the update on the ISA STAR-C Initiative as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.10**.
- 51. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the ISA STAR-C initiative and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 18. Update on the ISA Global Solar Facility

- 52. The Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly approved the Global Solar Facility to mobilise investments to scale up solar by providing risk mitigation support. The Facility was launched during COP27, focusing initially on the Africa Region with a scope of expanding its reach and coverage to other regions of the ISA.
- **53.** The Assembly shall have before it an update on the technical work undertaken by the ISA Secretariat in operationalising the Global Solar Facility as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.11**.
- 54. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the ISA Global Solar Facility and provide guidance thereon.





Agenda Item 19. Update on the ISA SolarX Startup Challenge

- 55. Upon approval by the ISA Assembly, the ISA Secretariat launched the SolarX Startup Challenge in collaboration with Invest India at COP27 in November 2022. The first edition of the initiative sought to crowdsource innovative solutions to persistent challenges of the solar sectors in Member Countries of the Africa Region. Twenty winners of the initiative were declared in July 2023 during the G20 Summit event in Goa.
- 56. The Assembly shall have before it an update on the ISA SolarX Startup Challenge as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.12**.
- 57. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the ISA SolarX Startup Challenge and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 20. Proposed work programme and budget of the ISA for CY 2024

- 58. Pursuant to Rule 16 of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, the ISA Secretariat has prepared the work plan and budget for CY 2024.
- 59. The Assembly shall have before it an update on the work plan and budget for CY 2023 and the proposed work plan and budget for CY 2024 as contained in the working document **ISA/A.06/WD.13**.
- 60. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the work plan and budget for CY 2023, approve the proposed work plan and budget for CY 2024 and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 21. Update on the status of the ISA Corpus Fund, Voluntary Contributions by the ISA Member Countries, and Resource Mobilisation

- 61. Operating costs of the ISA Secretariat and Assembly, and all costs related to support functions and cross-cutting activities, form the budget of the ISA and are covered by voluntary contributions by the ISA Member Countries, revenues from the ISA Corpus fund *(established in accordance with Articles VI.1 and VI.2 of the ISA Framework Agreement),* and resources mobilised by the ISA Secretariat from its Partner Organisations and other international organisations.
- 62. The Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly approved a mechanism for annual voluntary contributions by the ISA Member Countries.
- **63.** The Assembly shall have before it an update on the ISA Corpus Fund, voluntary contributions by ISA Member Countries and resource mobilisation by the ISA Secretariat as contained in the working document ISA/A.06/WD.14.
- 64. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider the update on the ISA Corpus Fund, voluntary contributions by ISA Member Countries and resource mobilisation by the ISA Secretariat and provide guidance thereon.

Agenda Item 22. Preparations for the Seventh Session of the ISA Assembly

65. The ISA Secretariat proposes that the Seventh Session of the ISA Assembly be conducted from 09:30 hours IST from Monday, 28 October to Wednesday, 30 October 2024 in New Delhi, India.



- 66. The Chair shall invite the Assembly to consider and approve the proposal of the ISA Secretariat and provide guidance thereon.
- Agenda Item 23. High-level Segment Interventions by the Hon'ble Ministers of the ISA Member and Signatory Countries
 - 67. The Chair shall invite the Hon'ble Ministers or their representatives from the ISA Member and Signatory Countries to deliver their country statements.

Agenda Item 24. Any other business

68. The Chair shall invite the ISA members to raise any other item of business for discussion at the Assembly with the permission of the Chair.

Agenda Item 25. Closing of the Meeting

69. If there is no other business to be discussed, the Chair shall invite the Co-Chair to deliver the closing remarks and close the Sixth Session of the ISA Assembly.
