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# Summary Report of the Fifth Assembly of International Solar Alliance (ISA)

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### Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

- 1. The President of the ISA Assembly opened the Fifth Session of the Assembly. He welcomed the Hon'ble Ministers and delegates from the ISA Member Countries, Signatory Countries, the Prospective Member Countries, Partner Organisations, and the Special Invitee Organisations to the Fifth Assembly of the ISA. He thanked all the Member Countries for their support and encouraged them to continue supporting ISA to take it to greater heights.
- 2. At the invitation of the President, H.E. Ms. Chrysoula Zacharopoulou, Minister of State for Development, Francophonie, and International Partnerships, attached to the Minister for Europe and Foreign Affairs, Government of the Republic of France and the Co-President of the Assembly, delivered the opening remarks.
- 3. At the invitation of the President, Ms. Damilola Ogunbiyi, Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Sustainable Energy for All, delivered the keynote address.
- 4. At the invitation of the President, the Hon'ble Ministers from the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, Jamaica, and the Togolese Republic introduced the demonstration projects in their respective countries funded through the ISA grant. The President and the Co-President along with the Hon'ble Ministers dedicated the projects to the people of Guyana, Jamaica, and Togo.
- 5. The Director-General conveyed his vote of thanks to the President, the Co-President, the Vice Presidents, the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General and to all the delegates attending the Assembly, on behalf of the ISA and the ISA Secretariat.



#### Agenda Item 2. Adoption of the Agenda

- 6. The President invited the Assembly to consider the provisional agenda for the Fifth Assembly of ISA as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.01.Rev01 and provide their inputs and guidance.
- 7. The representative of Jamaica suggested that the Assembly decide on the date for the next general session of the ISA Assembly.
- 8. Decision: The Assembly adopted the Provisional Agenda for the Fifth Assembly of the ISA, as contained in the Working Document ISA/A.05/WD.01.Rev01 along with the additional agenda item introduced by the representative of Jamaica.

### **Agenda Item 3. Selection of Rapporteurs**

- 9. The President informed the Assembly that the Republic of the Niger and the Republic of Rwanda had agreed to be the rapporteurs for the Fifth General Assembly. He thanked the Republic of the Niger and the Republic of Rwanda for their support.
- 10. Decision: The Assembly appointed the Republic of the Niger and the Republic of Rwanda as the Rapporteurs for the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly.

### Agenda Item 4. Election of the President and Co-President of the ISA Assembly

- 11. The President informed the Assembly that the Secretariat had initiated the process for the election on 18 July 2022 as per the provisions of the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly. He further requested the Assembly to consider the information document ISA/A.05/INF.01 containing all the associated information with respect to the election process.
- 12. The Assembly was apprised that the Republic of India has placed its nomination for the position of President, and the French Republic has placed its nomination for the position of Co-President.



13. Decision: The Assembly elected, unanimously the Republic of India and the French Republic as the next President and Co-President of the ISA Assembly respectively, for its Sixth and Seventh Sessions. The President and Co-President accepted their renewed mandate of Presidency and Co-Presidency for the period 2023-2024 and thanked the Assembly for the confidence placed in them; and for the Assembly's continuing support.

# Agenda Item 5. Selection of the New Vice-Presidents of the Standing Committee of the ISA Assembly

- 14. The President invited the Assembly to consider the information document ISA/A.05/INF.02, containing the list of nominations for the positions of Vice-Presidents from each of the four regions, along with the names of alternates.
- 15. Decision: The Assembly appointed the Federal Republic of Somalia and the Republic of Mali as the new Vice-Presidents from the African region; the People's Republic of Bangladesh and Tuvalu as the next Vice-Presidents from the Asia-Pacific region; the Kingdom of Denmark and the Kingdom of Sweden as the new Vice-Presidents from Europe and Others region; and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Commonwealth of Dominica as the next Vice-Presidents from the Latin America and the Caribbean region.

#### Agenda Item 6. Appointment and Report of the next Credentials Committee

- 16. The President invited the Assembly to appoint the Credentials Committee for the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly with the following members:
  - Commonwealth of Australia
  - ii. Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
  - iii. Republic of Fiji
  - iv. Federal Republic of Germany



- v. Republic of Senegal
- vi. Republic of Suriname
- vii. Kingdom of Tonga
- viii. Republic of Uganda

The Assembly approved the appointments to the Credentials Committee.

- 17. The President invited the Committee to present its report to the Assembly.
- 18. The representative of the Kingdom of Tonga, as the Chair of the Credentials Committee, elected on 12 October 2022, reported that as of 17<sup>th</sup> October 2022, 52 Member countries, Signatories, and Prospective Member countries had not submitted credentials as required by Rule 36 of the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly. The Committee recommended that the representatives of these members be permitted to participate provisionally in the Fifth Session of the Assembly on the understanding that the credentials shall be submitted to the ISA Secretariat as soon as possible.
- 19. The President suggested that this (Fifth) Assembly could appoint a Credentials Committee for the next (Sixth) Assembly, in order to carry out its work prior to the Sixth Assembly, without the need for post facto approval at the Sixth Assembly.
- 20. Decision: The Assembly appointed the Credentials Committee for the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly, as proposed by the President. The Report of the Credentials Committee as presented at the Assembly, was adopted.

#### Agenda Item 7. Granting of Observer status

21. The President invited the Assembly to grant observer status to the seventeen Signatories to the Framework Agreement of ISA, to the eighteen Prospective Member countries of ISA, and twelve special invitee organisations who had registered to attend the Assembly as contained in the revised annotated provisional agenda item 7, as circulated on 17 October 2022.



- 22. The President urged the Signatories to the ISA Framework Agreement to ratify the Agreement to enjoy the benefits of full membership.
- 23. Decision: The Assembly granted observer status to Signatory Countries that had signed the Framework Agreement of the ISA but are yet to ratify the Agreement and to the Prospective Member countries of ISA and to the special invitees registered for the Assembly as per the list contained in the revised annotated provisional agenda item 7, circulated on 17 October 2022.

### Agenda Item 8. Confirmation of the Report of the Fourth Assembly of the ISA

- 24. The President invited the Assembly to consider the report of the Fourth Session of the ISA Assembly, as contained in the working document ISA/A.04/WD.14 for its approval. He further invited the Assembly to thank the rapporteurs of the Fourth ISA Assembly, the Union of Comoros and the Kingdom of Tonga for their support in the drafting of this report.
- 25. Decision: The Assembly adopted and approved the report of the Fourth Assembly of the International Solar Alliance, contained in the working document ISA/A.04/WD.14 and thanked the Union of Comoros and the Kingdom of Tonga for their work in preparing the report.

#### Agenda Item 9. Action Taken Report of the Fourth Assembly of ISA

- 26. The President invited the Assembly to consider the Action Taken Report of the Fourth Assembly of the ISA, prepared by the Secretariat, as contained in the Working Document ISA/A.05/WD.04 and requested the Assembly to provide guidance.
- 27. The representatives of the French Republic and Jamaica highlighted and welcomed the focus of ISA on gender balance and gender-inclusive policies.
- 28. Decision: The Assembly took note of the actions taken by the ISA Secretariat, as contained in the Working Document ISA/A.05/WD.04.



### Agenda Item 10. Audited Financial Statement of the ISA

- 29. The President invited the Assembly to consider the working document ISA/A.05/WD.05 containing the report of the auditors, along with the Audited Financial Statements, for its approval.
- 30. Decision: The Assembly adopted the Audited Financial Statement of the ISA contained in the Working Document ISA/A.05/WD.05.

### **Agenda Item 11.** Granting of Partner Organisation status

- 31. The President informed the Assembly of the new Partnerships established by the ISA with the following Organisations. These include:
  - i. The United Nations Framework Convention for Climate Change (UNFCCC)
  - ii. The Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
  - iii. The Japan Bank for International Cooperation (JBIC)
  - iv. The New Energy and Industrial Technology Development (NEDO)
  - v. The Health Innovation Exchange (HIEx)
  - vi. West African Power Pool
- 32. The President invited the Assembly to consider the partnerships established by the ISA and ratify the Partner Organisation status of these institutions.
- 33. Decision: The Assembly ratified the Partner Organisation status of the Organisations, as per the list contained in the information document ISA/A.05/INF.06.

### Agenda Item 12. Report of the Depositary

34. The President invited the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, the Depositary of ISA, to present its report to the ISA Assembly. The representative of the Depositary presented an update on the status of ISA's membership and



- informed the Assembly about the Observer status accorded to the ISA, at the UN General Assembly.
- 35. The President invited the ISA Assembly to consider the report of the Depositary and take note of the progress in terms of membership in the ISA. He welcomed the new Signatories to the ISA Framework Agreement and the new Members.
- 36. Decision: The Assembly adopted the report of the Depositary as presented at the Assembly.

### Agenda Item 13. Adoption of the Standing Committee Reports

- 37. The President invited the Assembly to consider the working documents ISA/SC.06/WD.14 and ISA/SC.07/WD.10, containing the reports of the Sixth and Seventh Meetings of the Standing Committee and provide guidance on the business undertaken.
- 38. Decision: The Assembly adopted the reports of the Sixth and Seventh Meetings of the Standing Committee as contained in the Working Documents ISA/SC.06/WD.14 and ISA/SC.07/WD.10.

# Agenda Item 14. Adoption of the Regional Committee Reports and addresses by Vice-Presidents of the Standing Committee of the ISA Assembly.

- 39. The President apprised the Assembly that the ISA Secretariat had held a series of regional interactions through regional committee meetings as part of its integrated approach to governance body meetings and invited the Chairs of the Regional Committees, i.e., the Regional Vice-Presidents of the ISA, to provide a brief overview of the reports of the Regional Committee Meetings.
- 40. The Republic of the Niger, as Vice President of the African region; the Republic of Fiji, as Vice President of the Asia and the Pacific region; Kingdom of the Netherlands, as Vice President of the Europe and Others region; and the Cooperative Republic of Guyana, as Vice President of the Latin America and the



Caribbean Region of the ISA as the Chairs of the respective Regional Committee Meetings presented the reports of the Meetings.

- 41. Decision: The Assembly adopted the reports of the Regional Committee Meetings of the four regions of the ISA:
  - i. Fourth Regional Committee Meeting of the Africa Region, as contained in the working document ISA/RCA.04/WD.11.
  - ii. Fourth Regional Committee Meeting of the Asia and the Pacific Region of ISA, as contained in the working document ISA/RCAP.04/WD.11.
  - iii. Third Regional Committee Meeting of the Europe and Others Region of ISA, as contained in the working document ISA/RCEOG.03/WD.11.
  - iv. Fourth Regional Committee Meeting of the Latin America and the Caribbean Region of ISA, as contained in the working document ISA/RCLAC.04/WD.11.

# Agenda Item 15. Report of the DG on ISA's Programmes, Activities and Initiatives: Annual Report

- 42. The President invited the Director-General of the ISA to present his report on the activities and initiatives of the ISA.
- 43. The Director General of the ISA presented the Annual Report of the International Solar Alliance for 2022 and apprised the Assembly of the activities and the progress made by the ISA. He also mentioned about the future initiatives that the ISA plans to pursue.
- 44. The representative of the French Republic expressed their interest in the next step towards strengthening the ISA Knowledge Infrastructure.
- 45. The representative of the Federal Republic of Nigeria advised that the efforts of the ISA should aim at ending poverty.



- 46. The representative of the Republic of Benin highlighted the need for higher quality solar energy equipment, and requested the ISA to explore this area.
- 47. Decision: The Assembly adopted the Annual Report of the ISA for CY 2022, contained in the Working Document ISA/A.05/WD.06.Rev02.

# Agenda Item 16. Proposed Amendment for the Selection of the Vice Chairs of the Regional Committees

- 48. The Director General of the ISA briefed the Assembly on the process for selection of the new Vice Presidents along with the proposed amendment to the procedure for appointment of the Vice-Chair for the Regional Committee Meetings.
- 49. The President invited the ISA Assembly to consider the proposed amendment as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.07 for its approval.
- 50. Decision: The Assembly approved the proposed amendment for selection of the Vice-Chairs of the Regional Committees as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.07.

# Agenda Item 17. Proposed Amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly

- 51. The President apprised the Assembly that the ISA Secretariat had identified inconsistencies in the Rules of Procedure that needed to be addressed in order to prevent potential ambiguities in the future.
- 52. The President invited the Assembly to consider and approve the proposed amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the ISA Assembly, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.08. He also requested the member countries to go through the Rules of Procedure and bring to the notice of the ISA Secretariat for any clarifications or amendments that are required.



- 53. No interventions were made by any member on the working document ISA/A.05/WD.08.
- 54. Decision: The Assembly adopted the amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.08

# Agenda Item 18. Proposal for Policy for Procurement of Consultants at the ISA Secretariat

- 55. The President noted that in order to bring transparency in the engagement of consultants, the Secretariat has drafted a procedure encapsulated in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.09. He further invited the Assembly to consider the proposed policy for procurement of services of consultants for its adoption.
- 56. The representative of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe remarked that every member country would feel comfortable in utilizing experts of their own choice in the design and implementation of projects in their own countries.
- 57. The President requested the ISA Secretariat to take the comments made by the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe while designing and during the implementation of projects.
- 58. Decision: The Assembly considered and approved the proposed policy for the Procurement of services of Consultants as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.09.

#### Agenda Item 19. Proposed Amendments to the Secondment Policy

59. The President apprised the Assembly about the proposed Secondment Policy of ISA and its salient features. He invited the Assembly to consider the working document ISA/A.05/WD.10 which contains the draft Secondment Policy and Regulations, as proposed by the Secretariat, for its approval.



60. Decision: The Assembly considered the proposed amendments to the Secondment Policy and Regulations of ISA, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.10 and approved the same.

### Agenda Item 20. Update on the Status of Regular Staff of the ISA Secretariat

- 61. The President drew the attention of the Assembly to the deviations in the recruitment from the decisions of the previous sessions of the Assembly. He invited the ISA Secretariat to brief the ISA Assembly on the recruitment activity and the current staff strength of the ISA Secretariat, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.11, and provide guidance.
- 62. The Director General of the ISA listed five deviations from the previous decisions of the Assembly and updated the Assembly on the current staff strength.
- 63. Decision: The Assembly noted the deviations and approved the working document ISA/A.05/WD.11

# Agenda Item 21. Revised Organizational Structure and Proposal for New Positions at the ISA Secretariat

- 64. The President invited the ISA Secretariat to the revised organisational structure and proposals for new positions at the ISA Secretariat to the Assembly.
- 65. The Director-General presented the revised organisational structure of the ISA Secretariat, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.12.
- 66. The President noted that this revised Organogram places a strong emphasis on expertise and seeks to recruit experts in a fair and transparent manner based on merit.
- 67. The representative of the French Republic suggested that the knowledge management unit be structured to facilitate knowledge dissemination and capacity building, and gave a commitment to provide an expert on secondment to the ISA.



- 68. The President directed the ISA Secretariat to note and examine the suggestions made by the French Republic regarding the revised organogram and bring them to the next Standing Committee Meeting if needed.
- 69. Decision: The Assembly approved the revised organisational structure and the proposal for new positions, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.12, along with an examination of the suggestions of the French Republic.

### Agenda Item 22. Update on ISA's Solar Finance Facility

- 70. On the invitation of the President, the ISA Secretariat provided an update to the Assembly on the progress made by the ISA in the development of the Solar Finance Facility, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.13.
- 71. The President highlighted to the Assembly, the need for investment in projects in Africa, as governments alone cannot be expected to raise all the funds required on their own, without assistance from banks and international financing institutions.
- 72. The representative of the French Republic enquired about the value addition of the Solar Finance Facility with respect to the existing facilities, and about the deadlines for the implementation of the mechanism.
- 73. The representative of the Kingdom of the Netherlands highlighted the importance of coordination and consultation with stakeholders from financial markets, financial institutions, and development banks.
- 74. The representative of the Republic of Malawi presented the highlights of the solar energy projects, being developed in the country and suggested the formation of a bloc of Energy & Finance Ministers from Africa, within the Assembly, to better navigate the challenges arising while using such financial facilities.
- 75. The representative of the Republic of Senegal highlighted the problems faced by countries including rigid rules and procedures, high rates of interest, and the unusually high levels of risk attributed to the countries.



- 76. The President requested the ISA Secretariat and the members of the ISA to note and examine all the suggestions made by member countries. He further stated that the ISA will discuss with all the Green Funds and all the development funds in mobilising the investment which can further help in financing the projects in Africa.
- 77. Decision: The Assembly noted the update on the Solar Finance Facility and approved the next steps to be taken by the ISA Secretariat as proposed in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.13

### Agenda Item 23. Update on STAR-C initiative

- 78. On the invitation of the President, the ISA Secretariat briefed the Assembly on the STAR-C initiative and the progress made under this initiative, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.14.
- 79. The President appreciated the program, congratulated the ISA Secretariat and Members on the achievements made so far, and thanked the French Republic for its contribution to this initiative.
- 80. The representative of the French Republic informed that the first meeting of the Supervisory Committee on the initiative has already been convened, during which the French Republic had pledged implementation of the initiative on a pilot basis in the Kingdom of Bhutan, the Independent State of Papua New Guinea, and the Republic of Senegal.
- 81. The representative of Jamaica requested information on the scope of the STAR-Centre proposed to be set up in the Republic of Cuba, and the possibility of involving the Caribbean Centre for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (CCREEE) under the initiative.
- 82. The President informed the representative of Jamaica that the ISA will consider a partnership with the CCREEE.
- 83. Decision: The Assembly considered the update on the STAR-C initiative, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.14 and adopted it.



### Agenda Item 24. Update on the Solar Grand Challenge

- 84. The President invited the ISA Secretariat to provide an update on the Solar Grand Challenge initiative, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.15.
- 85. The ISA Secretariat presented an update on the Solar Grand Challenge, and on its first instalment to be hosted in the Africa region during 2022-23. The Assembly was apprised that the ISA has partnered with Invest India for the initiative and has taken on board, Africa Infrastructure Development Association (AfiDA), Global Off-Grid Lighting Association (GOGLA), Africa Minigrid Developers Association (AMDA) and the World Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (WAIPA) as other partners. The Assembly was also apprised that the Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF) has provided a grant of USD 7.6 million to the ISA, of which USD 600,000 was towards support to this initiative.
- 86. The President invited the ISA Assembly to consider the update provided by the Secretariat and approve the SolarX Grand Challenge in the Africa region.
- 87. The representative of the French Republic requested further information on how other initiatives of the ISA could add value to the Solar Grand Challenge and welcomed the gender sensitivity under the initiative.
- 88. Decision: The Assembly considered the update on the Solar Grand Challenge as contained in working document ISA/A.05/WD.15 and approved the SolarX Grand Challenge for the Africa region.

#### Agenda Item 25. Update on Resource Mobilisation for the ISA

89. The President highlighted the importance of this agenda item and emphasised the need for resources and requested every country to contribute. He invited the ISA Secretariat to brief the Assembly on the status of resource mobilization efforts and on the current financial standing of the ISA, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.16.



- 90. The Director-General thanked the countries that have provided assistance to the ISA. The ISA Secretariat presented a detailed update on the status of the resource mobilisation, activities of the ISA as contained in the working document.
- 91. The representative of the French Republic conveyed that a contribution of EUR 1 million had been made by the country towards the capacity building activities of ISA, and invited the members and signatories to contribute towards the implementation of ISA's activities.
- 92. Decision: The Assembly noted and adopted the update on resource mobilization as contained in document ISA/A0.5/WD.16.

# Agenda Item 26. Status of Corpus Fund and Proposal for Annual Contributions

- 93. On the invitation of the President, the ISA Secretariat briefed the Assembly about the proposal for an annual voluntary contribution mechanism, as detailed in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.17.
- 94. The representative of the French Republic appreciated the contribution mechanism, which will support in maintaining the activities of the ISA; however he emphasised that the contributions should remain voluntary.
- 95. The representative of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar informed that the country had contributed USD 1,170 to the ISA, during the Third Assembly, and raised concern that the USD 10,000 fixed for LDCs was high.
- 96. The representative of the Kingdom of Bhutan conveyed the country's inability to support the proposed annual contribution mechanism in the near-term future owing to the economic problems faced by the country during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- 97. The President clarified that the proposed contributions are voluntary, and he encouraged the Assembly Members for contributions so that the work of the ISA can run smoothly.



- 98. The Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Republic of Fiji, the Republic of Suriname, the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the Federal Republic of Brazil, and the Republic of the Congo expressed their support for the proposed voluntary contribution mechanism of the ISA.
- 99. The representative of the French Republic requested that the word 'voluntary' be incorporated in the French and Spanish versions of the Working Documents.
- 100. Decision: The Assembly noted the status of Corpus Fund and approved the proposal for the annual voluntary contributions as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.17.

### Agenda Item 27. Proposed Work Program and Budget of the ISA for CY 2023

- 101. The President invited the ISA Secretariat to present the proposed Work Plan and Budget for the CY 2023, as contained in the working document ISA/A.05/WD.18 to the ISA Assembly for its consideration.
- 102. The ISA Secretariat presented the key highlights of the proposed Work Plan and Budget for CY 2023, as well as a revised budget for the year 2022. The Assembly was apprised on the strategic priorities of the ISA:
  - i. Analytics and advocacy support for all member countries
  - ii. Capacity building assistance for developing member countries
  - iii. Programmatic support for all LDC and SIDs member countries
  - iv. Providing secretariat support to the GGI-OSOWOG initiative
  - v. Financial sustainability of the organisation
  - vi. Strengthening the organisation and capacity of the ISA Secretariat
- 103. The ISA Secretariat also presented the proposed budget of the ISA for the CY 2023 for the consideration and approval of the Assembly.
- 104. The Assembly was also apprised of the Ease of Doing Solar (EoDS) report, a draft of which has been communicated to Members and Signatory countries and



- uploaded on the ISA website, for comments. While ranking nations on EoDS, the President urged the ISA Secretariat to provide a roadmap on how countries could improve the EoDS ranking.
- 105. The Assembly was informed about the development of three flagship global reports on solar markets, solar investments, and solar technologies. The Assembly was further informed that the ISA is also developing a report on global supply chain resiliency. The President noted that the management cost of the ISA has gone up from USD 2 million in CY 2022 to USD 4 million in CY 2023 on account of the new positions that have been created. The President also invited the Assembly to offer comments on the budget.
- 106. Decision: The Assembly adopted the Work Plan and Budget for the year 2023, as contained in working document ISA/A.05/WD.18.

# Agenda Item 28. High-Level Segment – Interventions by Hon'ble Ministers of the ISA Member and Signatory Countries

107. High-level interventions were made by the Hon'ble Ministers and other delegates from the ISA Member Countries, Signatory Countries, and Prospective Member Countries. The President thanked the Hon'ble Ministers and other delegates for their interventions.

### Agenda Item 29. Any Other Business

- 108. The President invited the Members to raise any other urgent business for the consideration of the ISA Assembly.
- 109. On the earlier suggestion from the representative of Jamaica, the Assembly was invited to consider a possible date for the next Session of the ISA Assembly. The President proposed 30<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023 as the tentative dates for the Sixth Assembly of the ISA. He further directed the ISA Secretariat to confirm the



- potential date for the Sixth ISA Assembly, after checking the dates of the IRENA Council and COP 28 Meetings.
- 110. The President also invited the Federal Republic of Germany, Kingdom of the Netherlands, Republic of Cuba, Cooperative Republic of Guyana, Union of the Comoros, Republic of Ghana, Nepal and Japan to serve on the Credentials Committee for the Sixth Assembly in 2023.

#### 111. Decision:

- 1. The Sixth ISA Assembly is tentatively scheduled for October 30<sup>th</sup> or 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. However, the dates would be finalised, after taking into account the dates of the IRENA Council and of COP -28.
- 2. The Assembly approved the following countries as members for the Credentials Committee for the Sixth Assembly of the ISA:
- i. Federal Republic of Germany
- ii. Kingdom of the Netherlands
- iii. The Republic of Cuba
- iv. Cooperative Republic of Guyana
- v. Union of the Comoros
- vi. The Republic of Ghana
- vii. **Nepal**
- viii. Japan

#### Agenda Item 30. Closing of Meeting

112. The President concluded the Meeting by thanking all members, Signatory Countries, and Partner Organisations for their contributions, and encouraged them to support the Secretariat to allow the ISA, to carry out its activities and implement its initiatives for a better outcome. He expressed the hope to meet all the delegates soon during COP27 in Egypt. There being no other business, the President concluded the Fifth Session of the ISA Assembly.

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