

**INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY**

Second session of the Assembly

Abu Dhabi, 14 – 15 January 2012

**Decision on the appointment of an external auditor of the Agency**

The Assembly,

*Recalling* Article XII, paragraph C, of the Statute of IRENA which provides that the Assembly shall appoint an external auditor who shall hold office for a period of four years and who shall be eligible for re-election, and that the first auditor shall hold office for a period of two years;

*Emphasizing* the need to ensure that the arrangements for annual audit take into account the international nature of the Agency, and the need to conduct an open and competitive process, which should be open to both public audit institutions and private audit firms;

*Noting* that the Secretariat has conducted an open and competitive process, in line with best practices and procedures, and in accordance with the Statute and relevant regulations and the guidance provided by the Council and the Finance Committee;

*Having considered* the report of the Director-General on the outcome of evaluation of the proposals submitted by private audit firms and public audit institutions, in response to the Request for Proposals for the position of external auditor;

*Decides* to appoint the Office of the Auditor General of Norway as the external auditor of the Agency for a period of two years.