

INTERNATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY AGENCY

Second session of the Assembly

Abu Dhabi, 14 – 15 January 2012

**Decision on the Appointment of Facilitators
on Council Composition, Election and Rotation**

The Assembly,

Recalling Article X of the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) which requires that the members of the Council shall be elected on a rotating basis, with a view to ensuring effective participation of developing and developed countries and achieving fair and equitable geographical distribution and effectiveness of the Council's work and that the members of the Council shall be elected for a term of two years;

Noting also Assembly decision A/1/DC/13 on the membership of the Council of IRENA and the request to the Governance and Legal Committee to review the mandate in Article X of the Statute to determine an appropriate mechanism for electing members of the Council on a rotating basis, and to consider other issues related to Council composition, and to report back to the second session of the Assembly;

Taking note of the considerations of the Governance and Legal Committee as contained in the summary report of the first meeting of the Governance and Legal Committee, especially paragraph 8, as well as the deliberations of the Council on the matter as contained in the draft report of the second meeting of the Council (C/2/SR/L.1);

Taking further note of Council decision C/2/DC/9;

Mindful that the Assembly must elect a new Council at its third session and that an appropriate mechanism needs to be in place by then;

1. *Decides* to appoint Luxembourg and Peru as facilitators, acting under the guidance of the President of the Assembly, charged with soliciting views from all Members of IRENA, Signatories, and States in accession to the IRENA Statute, in order to generate recommendations for an appropriate mechanism for Council composition, election and rotation in an open, inclusive and transparent process;
2. *Encourages* Members of IRENA, Signatories, and States in accession to provide their recommendations and observations on Council composition, election and rotation to the facilitators and the Director-General of IRENA within 30 days of the adoption of the Assembly decision, and to request him to circulate the recommendations and observations received to all Members, Signatories and States in accession;
3. *Requests* the facilitators, with the support of the Secretariat, to conduct consultations with Members, Signatories, and States in accession on the various proposals on Council composition, election, and rotation, taking advantage of the opportunity to do so provided at the current session of the Assembly and the meetings of subsidiary bodies of IRENA;
4. *Requests* the two facilitators, under the guidance of the President of the Assembly, to propose relevant amendments to the Rules of Procedure of the Assembly to the third meeting of the Council or as soon as possible thereafter for the Council's consideration at its fourth meeting, or to otherwise report the outcomes of its process to both the President of the Assembly and the Chair of the Council.