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ΝΟΜΟΘΕΣΙΑ – ΜΕΡΟΣ ΙΙΙ**

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Ο περί του Καταστατικού Ίδρυσης του Διεθνούς Οργανισμού Ανανεώσιμης Ενέργειας (Κυρωτικός) Νόμος του 2010 εκδίδεται με δημοσίευση στην Επίσημη Εφημερίδα της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας σύμφωνα με το Άρθρο 52 του Συντάγματος.

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ΕΝΕΡΓΕΙΑΣ**

Η Βουλή των Αντιπροσώπων ψηφίζει ως ακολούθως:

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| Συνοπτικός τίτλος. | 1. Ο παρών Νόμος θα αναφέρεται ως ο περί του Καταστατικού Ίδρυσης του Διεθνούς Οργανισμού Ανανεώσιμης Ενέργειας (Κυρωτικός) Νόμος του 2010. |
| Ερμηνεία. | 2. Στον παρόντα Νόμο, εκτός αν από το κείμενο προκύπτει διαφορετική έννοια – |
| Πίνακας 1.
Πίνακας 2. | «Καταστατικό» σημαίνει το Καταστατικό του Διεθνούς Οργανισμού Ανανεώσιμης Ενέργειας, του οποίου το αγγλικό πρωτότυπο κείμενο εκτίθεται στον Πίνακα αρ. 1 και η ελληνική του μετάφραση στον Πίνακα αρ. 2: |
| Κύρωση του
Καταστατικού. | <p>Νοείται ότι, σε περίπτωση αντίθεσης μεταξύ των δύο κειμένων υπερισχύει το αγγλικό πρωτότυπο κείμενο που εκτίθεται στον Πίνακα αρ. 1.</p> <p>3. Το Καταστατικό, το οποίο η Κυπριακή Δημοκρατία υπέγραψε στη Βόννη στις 26 Ιανουαρίου 2009, σύμφωνα με την απόφαση του Υπουργικού Συμβουλίου ημερομηνίας 16 Δεκεμβρίου 2009, κυρώνεται με τον παρόντα Νόμο.</p> |

ΠΙΝΑΚΑΣ 1
(Αρθρο 2)

Statute of IRENA signed in Bonn

Monday, 26 January 2009,
Bonn, World Conference Center

IRENA/FC/Statute

Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

The *Parties* to this Statute,

desiring to promote the widespread and increased adoption and use of renewable energy with a view to sustainable development,

inspired by their firm belief in the vast opportunities offered by renewable energy for addressing and gradually alleviating problems of energy security and volatile energy prices,

convinced of the major role that renewable energy can play in reducing greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere, thereby contributing to the stabilisation of the climate system, and allowing for a sustainable, secure and gentle transit to a low carbon economy,

desiring to foster the positive impact that renewable energy technologies can have on stimulating sustainable economic growth and creating employment,

motivated by the huge potential of renewable energy in providing decentralized access to energy, particularly in developing countries, and access to energy for isolated and remote regions and islands,

concerned about the serious negative implications that the use of fossil fuels and the inefficient use of traditional biomass can have on health,

convinced that renewable energy, combined with enhanced energy efficiency, can increasingly cover the anticipated steep increase in global energy needs in the coming decades,

affirming their desire to establish an international organisation for renewable energy, that facilitates the cooperation between its Members, while also establishing a close collaboration with existing organisations that promote the use of renewable energy,

have agreed as follows:

Article I
Establishment of the Agency

A. The Parties to this Statute hereby establish the International Renewable Energy Agency (hereinafter referred to as "the Agency") in accordance with the following terms and conditions.

B. The Agency is based on the principle of the equality of all its Members and shall pay due respect to the sovereign rights and competencies of its Members in performing its activities.

Article II
Objectives

The Agency shall promote the widespread and increased adoption and the sustainable use of all forms of renewable energy, taking into account:

- a.) national and domestic priorities and benefits derived from a combined approach of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures, and
- b.) the contribution of renewable energy to environmental preservation, through limiting pressure on natural resources and reducing deforestation, particularly tropical deforestation, desertification and biodiversity loss; to climate protection; to economic growth and social cohesion including poverty alleviation and sustainable development; to access to and security of energy supply; to regional development and to inter-generational responsibility.

Article III
Definition

In this Statute the term "renewable energy" means all forms of energy produced from renewable sources in a sustainable manner, which include, inter alia:

1. bioenergy;
2. geothermal energy;
3. hydropower;
4. ocean energy, including inter alia tidal, wave and ocean thermal energy;
5. solar energy; and
6. wind energy.

Article IV Activities

A. As a centre of excellence for renewable energy technology and acting as a facilitator and catalyst, providing experience for practical applications and policies, offering support on all matters relating to renewable energy and helping countries to benefit from the efficient development and transfer of knowledge and technology, the Agency performs the following activities:

1. In particular for the benefit of its Members the Agency shall:

- a.) analyse, monitor and, without obligations on Members' policies, systematize current renewable energy practices, including policy instruments, incentives, investment mechanisms, best practices, available technologies, integrated systems and equipment, and success-failure factors;
- b.) initiate discussion and ensure interaction with other governmental and nongovernmental organisations and networks in this and other relevant fields;
- c.) provide relevant policy advice and assistance to its Members upon their request, taking into account their respective needs, and stimulate international discussions on renewable energy policy and its framework conditions;
- d.) improve pertinent knowledge and technology transfer and promote the development of local capacity and competence in Member States including necessary interconnections;
- e.) offer capacity building including training and education to its Members;
- f.) provide to its Members upon their request advice on the financing for renewable energy and support the application of related mechanisms;
- g.) stimulate and encourage research, including on socio-economic issues, and foster research networks, joint research, development and deployment of technologies; and
- h.) provide information about the development and deployment of national and international technical standards in relation to renewable energy, based on a sound understanding through active presence in the relevant fora.

2. Furthermore, the Agency shall disseminate information and increase public awareness on the benefits and potential offered by renewable energy.

B. In the performance of its activities, the Agency shall:

1. act in accordance with the purposes and principles of the United Nations to promote peace and international cooperation, and in conformity with policies of the United Nations furthering sustainable development;
2. allocate its resources in such a way as to ensure their efficient utilisation with a view to appropriately address all its objectives and perform its activities for achieving the greatest possible benefit for its Members and in all areas of the world, bearing in mind the special needs of the developing countries, and remote and isolated regions and islands;
3. cooperate closely and strive for establishing mutually beneficial relationships with existing institutions and organisations in order to avoid unnecessary duplication of work and build upon and make efficient and effective use of resources and on-going activities by governments, other organisations and agencies, which aim to promote renewable energy.

C. The Agency shall:

1. submit an annual report on its activities to its Members;
2. inform Members about its policy advice after it was given; and

3. inform Members about consultation and cooperation with and the work of existing international organisations working in this field.

Article V Work programme and projects

A. The Agency shall perform its activities on the basis of the annual work programme, prepared by the Secretariat, considered by the Council and adopted by the Assembly.

B. The Agency may, in addition to its work programme, after consultation of its Members and, in case of disagreement, after approval by the Assembly, carry out projects initiated and financed by Members subject to the availability of non-financial resources of the Agency.

Article VI Membership

A. Membership is open to those States that are members of the United Nations and to regional intergovernmental economic integration organisations willing and able to act in accordance with the objectives and activities laid down in this Statute. To be eligible for membership to the Agency, a regional intergovernmental economic integration organisation must be constituted by sovereign States, at least one of which is a Member of the Agency, and to which its Member States have transferred competence in at least one of the matters within the purview of the Agency.

B. Such States and regional intergovernmental economic integration organisations shall become:

1. original Members of the Agency by having signed this Statute and having deposited an instrument of ratification;
2. other Members of the Agency by depositing an instrument of accession after their application for membership has been approved. Membership shall be regarded as approved if three months after the application has been sent to Members no disagreement has been expressed. In case of disagreement the application shall be decided on by the Assembly in accordance with Article IX paragraph H number 1.

C. In the case of any regional intergovernmental economic integration organisation, the organisation and its Member States shall decide on their respective responsibilities for the performance of their obligations under this Statute. The organisation and its Member States shall not be entitled to exercise rights, including voting rights, under the Statute concurrently. In their instruments of ratification or accession, the organisations referred to above shall declare the extent of their competence with respect to the matters governed by this Statute. These organisations shall also inform the Depositary Government of any relevant modification in the extent of their competence. In the case of voting on matters within their competence, regional intergovernmental economic integration organisations shall vote with the number of votes equal to the total number of votes attributable to their Member States which are also Members of this Agency.

Article VII Observers

A. Observer status may be granted by the Assembly to:

1. intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations active in the field of renewable energy;
2. Signatories that have not ratified the Statute; and
3. applicants for membership whose application for membership has been approved in accordance with Article VI paragraph B number 2.

B. Observers may participate without the right to vote in the public sessions of the Assembly and its subsidiary organs.

Article VIII Organs

A. There are hereby established as the principal organs of the Agency:

1. the Assembly;
2. the Council; and
3. the Secretariat.

B. The Assembly and the Council, subject to approval by the Assembly, may establish such subsidiary organs as they find necessary for the exercise of their functions in accordance with this Statute.

Article IX The Assembly

A. 1. The Assembly is the supreme organ of the Agency.

2. The Assembly may discuss any matter within the scope of this Statute or relating to the powers and functions of any organ provided for in this Statute.

3. On any such matter the Assembly may:

a.) take decisions and make recommendations to any such organ; and

b.) make recommendations to the Members of the Agency, upon their request.

4. Furthermore, the Assembly shall have the authority to propose matters for consideration by the Council and request from the Council and the Secretariat reports on any matter relating to the functioning of the Agency.

B. The Assembly shall be composed of all Members of the Agency. The Assembly shall meet in regular sessions which shall be held annually unless it decides otherwise.

C. The Assembly includes one representative of each Member. Representatives may be accompanied by alternates and advisors. The costs of a delegation's participation shall be borne by the respective Member.

D. Sessions of the Assembly shall take place at the seat of the Agency, unless the Assembly decides otherwise.

E. At the beginning of each regular session, the Assembly shall elect a President and such other officials as may be required, taking into account equitable geographic representation. They shall hold office until a new President and other officials are elected at the next regular session. The Assembly shall adopt its rules of procedure in conformity with this Statute.

F. Subject to Article VI paragraph C, each Member of the Agency shall have one vote in the Assembly. The Assembly shall take decisions on questions of procedure by a simple majority of the Members present and voting. Decisions on matters of substance shall be taken by consensus of the Members present. If no consensus can be reached, consensus shall be considered achieved if no more than 2 Members object, unless the Statute provides otherwise. When the issue arises as to whether the question is one of substance or not, that question shall be treated as a matter of substance unless the Assembly by consensus of the Members present decides otherwise, which, if no consensus can be reached, shall be considered achieved if no more than 2 Members object. A majority of the Members of the Agency shall constitute a quorum for the Assembly.

G. The Assembly shall, by consensus of the Members present:

1. elect the members of the Council;

2. adopt at its regular sessions the budget and the work programme of the Agency, submitted by the Council, and have the authority to decide on amendments of the budget and the work programme of the Agency;

3. take decisions relating to the supervision of the financial policies of the Agency, the financial rules and other financial matters and elect the auditor;

4. approve amendments to this Statute;

5. decide on the establishment of subsidiary bodies and approve their terms of reference; and

6. decide on permission to vote in accordance with Article XVII paragraph A.

H. The Assembly shall by consensus of the Members present, which if no consensus can be reached shall be considered achieved if no more than 2 Members object:

1. decide, if necessary, on applications for membership;

2. approve the rules of procedure of the Assembly and of the Council, which shall be submitted by the latter;

3. adopt the annual report as well as other reports;