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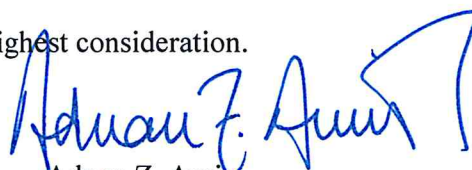
Allow me to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Interim Director General of the International Solar Alliance (ISA) and to wish you all the success in your future endeavours.

As the global international organisation mandated to promote the widespread adoption and the sustainable use of all forms of renewable energy, the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) welcomes initiatives by its Members which contribute to the realization of this objective and to accelerating the transition to a sustainable energy future.

From this perspective, IRENA welcomes the initiative to establish an International Solar Alliance (ISA) through which its members will “collectively address key common challenges to the scaling up of solar energy in line with their needs.”

In this regard, and as indicated since the launch of the ISA initiative in 2015, the Agency stands ready to cooperate with the Alliance as its establishment as a legal entity is formalized, to further support countries in scaling-up the deployment of solar energy, at this critical juncture for global efforts to implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to meet the climate objectives set forth in the Paris Agreement. Such cooperation could encompass a range of programmes and activities in a number of areas, including policy frameworks, finance, technology and innovation as well as capacity building, and would be carried out in a manner that ensures synergies between the Agency and the Alliance towards implementing their respective mandates. I look forward to discussing with you the modalities of this cooperation in the future.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



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