

Delivering a renewable future



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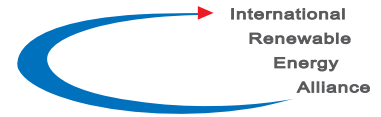
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International Renewable Energy Alliance

Delivering a renewable future



The International Renewable Energy Alliance (REN Alliance) was formed during the Bonn 2004 International Renewable Energy Conference, and has been established to advance policy and information on renewable energy by providing a combined voice for renewable energy technology and practice.

The REN Alliance bridges the gap between policy and practice by building on the synergy of its partner organisations to achieve progress through their collective experience and knowledge. The partners comprise international organisations representing bioenergy, geothermal, solar, water and wind technologies.

Goal

The REN Alliance goal is to advance policies that favour the increased deployment and use of renewable energy by fostering collaboration, removing barriers, promoting successful implementation strategies, enhancing business conditions and developing

markets. This goal is to be reached by the provision of reliable and up-to-date information for improved decision making at all levels of policy, for a secure supply of clean energy through sustainable development.

Collaboration

The REN Alliance builds linkages through common interests within the renewable energy community and related policy bodies. As such, it is open to collaborate with all relevant agencies and networks with similar objectives.

For example, the governmental agency, IRENA (International Renewable Energy Agency), and the REN Alliance, representing technology and practice, have agreed to work together to accelerate the scaling up of renewable energy deployment worldwide. All the associations in the REN Alliance support the importance of cooperating with IRENA and the governments of the member states it represents.



International Geothermal Association

A vehicle for geothermal activities



The International Geothermal Association (IGA), founded in 1988, is a scientific, educational and cultural organisation established to operate worldwide. It has over 3,500 members in 65 countries.

The IGA is a non-political, non-profit, non-governmental organisation in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations, and Partner of the European Union for the Campaign for Take Off (CTO) for Renewable Energy.

Objective

To encourage research, development and utilisation of geothermal resources worldwide through the compilation, publication and dissemination of scientific and technical data and information, both within the community of geothermal specialists and between geothermal specialists and the general public.

IGA is the owner of a company, IGA Service GmbH, that undertakes work on contract to further the aims of the Association.



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International Hydropower Association

Advancing sustainable hydropower



The International Hydropower Association (IHA) is a not-for-profit international organisation, founded in 1995 under the auspices of UNESCO. Today, it has members in more than 80 countries. The mission of IHA is to be the global organisation advancing hydropower's role in meeting the world's water and energy needs by:

- championing continuous improvement and sustainable practices;
- building consensus through strong partnerships with other stakeholders;
- driving initiatives to increase the contribution of renewables.



IHA is conducting a range of initiatives relating to water, energy, climate change and sustainability. It has consultative status with several United Nations bodies, and works in partnership with various governments, financial agencies and civil-society organisations. IHA hosts the Hydropower Sustainability Assessment Forum, a cross-sector reference group reviewing a sustainability protocol for the measurement of performance within the sector. IHA is also involved in work to assess water-energy interrelationships, evaluate greenhouse gas footprints, investigate financial models, monitor markets, and report on levels of deployment.

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International Solar Energy Society

Rapid transition to a renewable energy world



Since 1954, the International Solar Energy Society (ISES) has been actively engaged in advancing the science, technology, policy and education needed for the efficient use of renewable energy and its practical applications. ISES has a multi-faceted, global membership of individual and corporate members in more than 110 countries and Sections in over 50 countries.

As a UN accredited non-profit and non-governmental organisation, ISES represents thousands of scientists, technical experts, industry delegates and related professionals, all committed to

advancing renewable energy solutions to global climate change and world poverty.

The ISES mission is to provide current, scientifically credible renewable energy and energy efficiency information and networking opportunities to the global communities of scientists, educators, practitioners, industries, policy makers, and to the general public, through publications, conferences, strategic alliances and projects world-wide.

The vision of ISES is simple and urgent: "Rapid transition to a renewable energy world".



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World Bioenergy Association



The World Bioenergy Association (WBA) is the global organisation dedicated to support and represent the wide range of actors in the bioenergy sector. Its members include national and regional bioenergy organisations, institutions and companies.

Since its foundation in 2008, the WBA has been working to address a number of pressing issues including certification, sustainability, standardisation, bioenergy promotion, and the debates about bioenergy's impact on food, land-use and water supplies.



The WBA's vision is to:

- ensure a fair distribution of the world's biomass for energy resources;
- drive initiatives that encourage environmentally friendly and sustainable biofuel production;
- demonstrate the potential of bioenergy as a strategic renewable resource.

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World Wind Energy Association

Uniting the world of wind energy

The World Wind Energy Association (WWEA) is the worldwide voice for wind energy representing wind energy organisations from all continents, today in 93 countries. Amongst the WWEA members there are the major national associations worldwide, companies and scientific institutes.

Founded in 2001, WWEA promotes the worldwide deployment of wind energy technology and works for a world energy system fully driven by renewable energies.

WWEA works for this vision by:

- providing a communication platform for all wind energy actors worldwide;
- advising national governments and international organisations;
- enhancing international technology transfer.

WWEA has been granted Special Consultative Status at the United Nations and the WWEA Head Office is situated in Bonn, Germany close to the UN campus.



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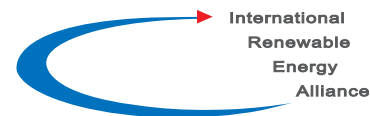
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Working together in partnership



The International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) and the REN Alliance have agreed to work together in order to speed up the utilisation of renewable energy sources worldwide.

The organisations announced their cooperation plans in Stockholm, in September 2009.

The fields of co-operation include:

- Carbon funds for renewable energy;
- Sustainability assessment;
- Potentials for renewables;
- Renewable energy scenarios.

Hon. Peter Rae, of the REN Alliance, emphasized the significance of this landmark partnership, stating that “All the associations in the REN Alliance support the importance of cooperating with IRENA and the governments of the member states it represents”.

