

**Memorandum of Understanding**  
**On**  
**INDIA – RWANDA RENEWABLE ENERGY COOPERATION**  
**BETWEEN**  
**The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy,**  
**Government of the Republic of India**  
**And**  
**Ministry of Infrastructure, Government of the Republic of Rwanda**

The Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of the Republic of India AND the Ministry of Infrastructure, Government of the Republic of Rwanda, hereinafter referred to as 'The Parties' :

Desiring to enhance traditional ties of friendship between the two countries through development of economic cooperation;

Having identified New and Renewable Energy as a common area of interest; and

Desiring to establish Cooperation in this area with the aim of developing new and renewable energy technologies;

Have reached the following understanding:

**Article I**

**Objective**

The objective of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish the basis for a cooperative institutional relationship to encourage and promote technical bilateral cooperation on new and renewable energy issues on the basis of mutual benefit, equality and reciprocity.

**Article II**

**Modalities of cooperation**

Cooperation under this Memorandum of Understanding may include the following activities:

- a) exchange and training of scientific and technical personnel;
- b) exchange of scientific and technological available information data;
- c) organization of workshops, seminars and working groups;
- d) transfer of equipment know-how and technology and technical standards on non-commercial basis;
- e) development of joint research or technical projects on subjects of mutual interest;
- f) exchange visit of Government officials and technical experts for sharing of experience on renewable energy practices, policies, framework, incentive and technologies with financing mechanism;
- g) other modalities as may be agreed upon by the Parties;

### **Article III**

#### **Joint Working Group**

In order to coordinate the above-mentioned activities and decide upon project proposals related to design and development of various new and renewable energy technologies such as but not restricted to Solar Energy, Wind Energy and Bio-Energy and the Parties intend to establish a 'Joint Working Group' with the objective of :

- Identifying areas of mutual interest and cooperation for development of new and renewable energy technologies, systems, sub-systems, devices, components, etc
- Monitoring and evaluating cooperation activities;
- Financing mechanism and cost sharing of activities under this MoU

The Parties shall designate one main representative not below the rank of Joint Secretary/Director from each representative Ministries to the Joint Working Group. For the aforesaid activities, the Joint Working Group shall to the extent possible conduct its work through electronic communication, but meet alternately in India and Rwanda, if deemed necessary.

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The Joint Working Group can co-opt other members from Government agencies, scientific institutions, research centers, Universities or any other entity, as and when considered essential.

#### **Article IV**

##### **Settlement of Disputes**

Any dispute arising out of the interpretation or application of the Memorandum of Understanding shall be settled by negotiations and mutual consultations.

#### **Article V**

##### **Amendment**

The Memorandum of Understanding can be amended by the Parties through mutual consultation. The amendments shall be enclosed with this Memorandum of Understanding and shall form an integral part of it thereof.

#### **Article VI**

##### **Entry into force, duration and termination**

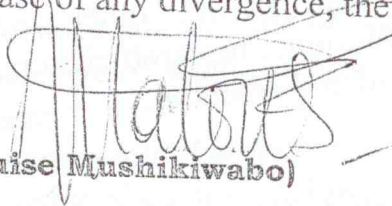
The Memorandum of Understanding will enter into force on the date of signing and shall remain in force unless revoked by the Parties with mutual consent.

Either of the Parties may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving the other party a written notice of 90 (ninety) days in advance of its decision to terminate this Memorandum of Understanding. Termination will not affect activities covered by a collaborative contract between the executive agencies and already underway at the time of termination.

In witness thereof, the undersigned representatives of the contracting parties being duly authorized thereto have signed this Memorandum of Understanding



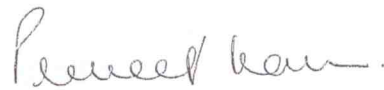
Signed at Kigali on the 15th Day of February, 2012 in two originals,  
each in the English and Hindi languages, both texts being equally authentic.  
In case of any divergence, the English text shall prevail.



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