

JOINT DECLARATION

by

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and

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regarding the cooperation between UNIDO and IPA CIS

WHEREAS the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), as a specialized agency of the United Nations, has the primary responsibility in promoting industrial development in the developing countries and in countries with economies in transition;

WHEREAS the Interparliamentary Assembly of Member Nations of the Commonwealth of Independent States (IPA CIS) provides means for the region to articulate and promote its collective interests and enhance its joint negotiating capacity on all major international economic issues in the United Nations system, and promotes economic and technical cooperation among developing countries and economies in transition;

WHEREAS the Director-General of UNIDO and the Chairman of the Council of the IPA CIS have held productive consultations on matters of mutual interest and wish to record their intentions and objectives for cooperation between UNIDO and the IPA CIS;

NOW THEREFORE the Director-General of UNIDO and the Chairman of the Council of the IPA CIS declare:

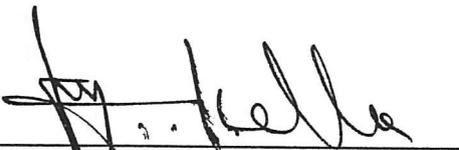
1. Their intention to facilitate close co-operation between UNIDO and the IPA CIS, with the objective to create a framework to guide the parties' cooperation in the field of environment protection and the development of a new and responsible industrial policy in the CIS member states.
2. Their intention, subject to the programme of work of UNIDO, to promote cooperation between UNIDO and the IPA CIS in the following areas:
 - Promotion and development of cross-border cooperation in the CIS member states' area;
 - Legislative support for the implementation of "Green Industry" strategies;

- Support the promotion, development, implementation and transfer of environmentally sound technologies and the modernization of industry according to Green Industry principles;
- Enhancement of the environmental education level to overcome wrong notions and stereotypes regarding the biosphere and ecology towards a clear understanding of the basic natural laws defining the existence of living organisms (biota), including humans.
- Preparing environmental protection programmes and projects,
- Mobilization of financial assets and other national or international resources, including the Global Environmental Fund;
- Development of training center organized by IPA CIS under UNIDO flag for the preparation of independent national and international experts and consultants for working under programmes and projects in CIS countries and other countries.
- Any additional areas that may subsequently be approved by the Director-General of UNIDO and the Council Chairman of the IPA CIS.

3. Their desire, depending on the availability of the necessary funds, to identify suitable projects relating to the above areas of cooperation on an annual basis for joint financing in accordance with the respective policies, procedures, rules and regulations of UNIDO and the IPA CIS;

4. Their intention to review the progress achieved in cooperation between UNIDO and the IPA CIS after a period of five years following the signing of this Joint Declaration and to decide then on any further measures that may be desirable to enhance that cooperation.

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