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Invitation for your virtual presence in the First World Solar Technology Summit on **Subject:** Tuesday, the 8thSeptember, 2020 from 16.30 – 21.30 PM (IST).

Your Excellency,

Please accept both my personal Greetings as also on behalf of the International Solar Alliance Secretariat.

It gives me immense pleasure to invite you to the First World Solar Technology Summit being hosted by the International Solar Alliance (ISA) on a virtual platform on Tuesday, the 8th September, 2020. Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi has kindly consented to grace the occasion by his presence and to address the Plenary Session of the Summit.

- As you are already aware, International Solar Alliance, an intergovernmental organization currently with sixty-seven countries as its members has been conceived as a unique international platform for cooperation among its members with the mutual goal of ramping up solar energy by aggregating markets, and taking solar power applications to scale to improve energy access.
- The First World Solar Technology Summit (WSTS) aims to bring together key stakeholders and innovators from the governmental, non-governmental and private sectors to discuss recent developments in the field of solar energy and related market trends. The primary objectives of this Summit are to showcase the state-of-the-art next generation solar technologies that can help countries leapfrog to a decarbonized grid, achieve SDG7 and promote the uptake of other solar applications. ISA will also deliberate on the way forward to make available technology at a reasonable and affordable cost for all.
- 4. The Summit will be addressed by a galaxy of speakers that include Hon'ble Ministers from Government of India and several ISA member countries, Nobel Laureates, CEOs of global technology companies, academicians, innovators and pioneers in research from across the world.
- The WSTS beginning at 16:30 IST with the Plenary Session to be addressed by Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and eminent speakers will be followed by the Global CEO's Session, four Technical Sessions running in parallel will conclude with a high-level Valedictory Session at 21:30 IST. The Concept Note and provisional Agenda of the Summit is attached herewith for your kind reference. We will share the updated programme with your Mission, closer to the date of the Event. More details of the Event are available at: https://www.isolaralliance.org/.
- 6. Excellency, the Summit is expected to be attended by Hon'ble Ministers & National Focal Points from several ISA member countries, diplomatic missions, Nobel Laureates, ISA Partner Organizations, high level dignitaries, senior government functionaries, academicians, R&D Institutions, innovators, solar project developers and manufacturers, multilateral agencies and stakeholders from all over the world.



- 7. On behalf of the ISA, I once again invite your Excellency to join us at the Summit, scheduled to be held virtually on Tuesday, the 8^{th} September, 2020 from 16:30 21:30 hrs (IST). It would be indeed a privilege for us, if you could spare some time to grace the occasion with your (virtual) presence and be a part of this Signature event.
- 8. We propose to invite global Technology developers, Innovators, R&D Institutions and Investors, Solar power developers and manufacturers and other related stakeholders from various countries. In this regard, we would like to request the Mission to help this Secretariat to identify and interact with these agencies in your host country, in order to encourage their participation in the Summit by registering at the Link provided below.
- 9. I would like to further request that the Event be given wide publicity through digital media, by uploading the details on the website of the Mission, as a News item in e-Newspapers etc. apart from circulating the information to the related Chambers of Commerce operating in your jurisdiction.
- 10. In order to ensure a smooth flow of the proceedings and to facilitate your participation and of those mentioned above in the event seamlessly, we have developed a registration portal. We would like to request that your office may register at: https://registrations.ficci.com/isa-wsts2020/index.html. The registration will also enable us to share the programme updates and the link for participation as we approach the day of the Summit.
- 11. For any further information and assistance required to facilitate your participation, your office may kindly reach out to: Mr. Naresh Mehta, Chief of Protocol, ISA at: naresh.mehta@isolaralliance.org; Tele: +91 81305 55556; and /or Ms. Rita Roy Choudhury, Assistant Secretary General, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI), our organising partner of this Summit at: rita.roychoudhury@ficci.com.

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

Yours Sincerely,

(Upendra Tripathy)

To,

All Indian Diplomatic Missions abroad

