Conclusion of the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) by the EU

2009/0085(NLE) - 24/06/2010 - Final act

PURPOSE : to conclude the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) by the European Union and adopt a declaration of competence.

LEGISLATIVE ACT : Council Decision 2010/385/EU on the conclusion of the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) by the European Union

CONTENT : the Council adopted a decision on the conclusion of the Statute of the International Renewable Energy Agency by the European Union and on the exercise of its rights and obligations. In accordance with the Decision of the Council of 19 October 2009, the Statute of IRENA was signed on behalf of the EC on 23 November 2009. As a consequence of the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon on 1 December 2009, the European Union has replaced and succeeded the European Community.

Both the Union and its Member States have competences in the areas covered by the Statute, which provides that regional intergovernmental economic integration organisations that become members of IRENA declare the extent of their competence with respect to the matters governed by the Statute.

Accordingly, this Decision concludes the Statute and also adopts such a declaration of competences.

Lastly, it provides that the Union should pay an annual contribution to IRENA which is provided for in the Intelligent Energy-Europe (‘IEE’) Programme.

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