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## **PRESS RELEASE**

The Hon'ble Minister for Economic Affairs, Lyonpo Lekey Dorji, will lead Bhutan's delegation to the 8<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly of the International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA) from 13<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. The delegation will also be attending the Abu Dhabi Sustainability Week and the World Future Energy Summit from 15<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018–which is a high profile international energy and environment event being, hosted IRENA.

The Assembly is IRENA's supreme decision-making body. It will take programmatic discussions on current trends in renewable energy policy and technology. IRENA is an intergovernmental organisation that supports countries in their transition to a sustainable energy future, and serves as a repository of policy, technology, resource and financial knowledge on renewable energy.

This is the second year that Bhutan will be participating in the General Assembly since becoming a member of IRENA in 2015. Bhutan's participation in the meeting reaffirms the commitment towards the use of renewable energy and for the preservation of the natural environment.

