



Statement on the Second Accelerated Partnership for Renewables Investment Forum

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We, Ministers and high-level representatives of Djibouti, Ethiopia, Ghana, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Sierra Leone and Zimbabwe, gathered in Freetown for the Second Investment Forum of the Accelerated Partnerships for Renewables in Africa

- **Recall** the launch of the Accelerated Partnership for Renewables in Africa (APRA) at COP28 in Dubai in December 2023,
- **Welcome** the hosting of APRA countries and partners in Freetown for the investment forum, keeping renewable energy at the centre of Africa's economic growth model, recognising the wide benefits of this approach for delivering prosperity, resilience, stability, and opportunity for the people of Africa,
- **Welcome** the expansion of APRA to new partner countries striving for energy systems transformation, including Djibouti, Mozambique, and Uganda,
- **Note** with appreciation the steadfast and strategic coordination role of IRENA in supporting APRA's progress as the Secretariat of APRA.
- **Welcome** the Mission 300 Initiative under which African countries have established a clear pathway for energy transition by 2030.
- **Reaffirm** our belief that IRENA could play a major role in supporting the ambition of African countries to better manage their critical mineral resources and pursue green industrialization in their countries.

Endorse the following actions:

- **Accelerate** implementation and reduce the gap between ambition and progress,
- **Reduce** the persistent structural barriers that countries face,
- **Emphasize** the importance of green guarantees and de-risking instruments, and call for the urgent need for development financing and pre-investment support for smaller projects.



- **Increase** regional collaboration, which remains central not only to accelerating renewable energy deployment but also to expanding the economic opportunities associated with it.
- **Stress** the critical Role of Technology Transfer to support economies of scale, noting that none of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are achievable without energy access.
- **Align** national priorities with regional collaboration ensuring that economic planning and industrial priorities are essential to achieving sustainable and inclusive growth.
- **Support** the ECOWAS Head of States Summit which will include a deep discussion on critical energy minerals.