

Tekst wystąpienia na Konferencji powołującej Międzynarodową Agencję Energii Odnawialnej (IRENA) w dniu 26 stycznia 2009 roku.

On behalf of the Government of the Republic of Poland, I would like to sincerely thank for the invitation to take part in the establishment of the International Renewable Energy Agency.

Promotion of renewable energy use is a crucial element of sustainable development, leading to increased energy security while having a positive impact on the environment. Increase of the renewables share in the energy balance should serve as one of the main tools in a global fight against climate change.

I believe there is a great need to create an international organisation of a global reach, which will deal exclusively with the challenges related to the growing use of renewable energy. The IRENA initiative is a perfect response for the necessity to develop a complex approach towards development of renewables.

Poland is very much aware of the fact that renewable energy will in a short term perspective become a particularly important segment of global economy, based on which a competitive advantage may be achieved on the energy market. We should therefore support all initiatives promoting renewables.

All of us gathered here today are certain that IRENA may deliver a key impulse for promotion of diverse and sustainable renewable energy use. The global dimension of IRENA is of particular significance taking into account the fact that among countries establishing IRENA are also the developing ones.

While emphasizing the importance of establishing IRENA, I would like to once more thank the hosts of the conference for effective finalisation of this extremely precious initiative. At the same time, I would like to assure you that Poland will actively participate in realisation of future goals and tasks of IRENA.