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GGA EVENT – ICELAND GEOTHERMAL CONFERENCE

Geothermal Direct Utilisation and Food Security

24 April 2018 - Reykjavík, Iceland

8:30 – 12:15

Agenda

09:00 – 09:45

Welcoming remarks:

H.E. María Erla Marelsdóttir, Ambassador and Director General of International Development Cooperation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Iceland

Keynote Speeches:

H.E. Ólafur Ragnar Grímsson, Chairman, Arctic Circle, Former President of Iceland
Adnan Z. Amin, Director-General, IRENA

09:45 – 11:00

Session I: Accelerating geothermal energy deployment in the agricultural and food sectors: What challenges and success factors?

Moderator: Salvatore Vinci, IRENA

Scene Setting Presentation: Margeir Gissurarson, Matís ohf., Iceland

Panellists:

- *Tanja Faller, GIZ Central America*
- *Loredana Torsello, Consortium for the Development of Geothermal Areas, Italy*
- *Andrea Blair, Upflow, New Zealand*
- *Margeir Gissurarson, Matís ohf., Iceland*

11:00 – 11:15

Coffee Break

11:15 – 12:15

Session II: From project ideas to implementation: Overcoming barriers and facilitating project partnerships

Moderator: Alexander Richter, International Geothermal Association

Panellists:

- *Johnson P. Ole Nchoe, Geothermal Development Company (GDC), Kenya*
- *Héctor Miguel Aviña Jiménez, IIDEA, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico (UNAM), Mexico*
- *Þorleikur Jóhannesson, Verkis, Iceland*

Concluding remarks:

- Jon Erlingur Jonasson, Ministry for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Iceland
- Adnan Z. Amin, Director-General, IRENA