

# HOW TO JOIN AN IEA MULTILATERAL TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE

Participation in the multilateral technology initiatives (Implementing Agreements) is based on mutual benefit to the Implementing Agreement and the interested newcomer. Below is an outline of the steps involved.

## Interested Newcomer (IN)

## Implementing Agreement (IA)

### Let's Talk

The IN contacts the IA.

*The IA provides information on current activities and member contributions (fee-based or in-kind).*

The IN provides information on what contribution (expertise) it can bring to the IA.

The IN and the IA agree to go to the next step.

### Let's Meet

*The IA invites IN to attend an Executive Committee (board of directors) meeting.*

The IN attends an IA Executive Committee meeting.

The IN is interested in becoming a signatory to the IA.

*The IA is interested in having IN become a signatory.*

### Let's Agree

The IA Executive Committee and the IN discuss the terms and conditions of participation.

*The current IA members vote to invite the IN.*

### Let's Formalise

*The IA sends a letter of invitation to the IN outlining the agreed terms and conditions of participation.*

The IN sends a letter of acceptance to the IEA Executive Director.

*The IEA legal office sends a signature page to IN.*

### Let's Begin!

IN's participation in the IA will begin on the date of actual signature.

*The information provided above is a schema of the steps involved to become a signatory to an IEA Implementing Agreement. There are two official categories of IA signatories, Contracting Parties (entities designated by governments or international organisations) and Sponsors (entities not designated by governments or non-governmental international organisations). If an IN is either a Sponsor or a Contracting Party of a government of a country that is not already participating in IAs, then an additional step is required before signature - approval by the IEA Committee on Energy Research and Technology.*