

## Appointment of the full time Interim Director General (IDG) of the International Solar Alliance



Mr. Upendra Tripathy

Authorised by the International Steering Committee of ISA, the Hon'ble Minister of State (I/C) for Power, Coal, New and Renewable Energy and Mines of India and Hon'ble Minister for Environment, Energy and Marine Affairs Government of France have jointly decided to appoint Mr. Upendra Tripathy, as the Interim Director General of the International Solar Alliance (IDG) on a full time basis.

Mr. Upendra Tripathy is a Former Secretary, Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, Government of India and has 36 years of experience in project implementation and policy formulation. During this long span he held the posts of Adviser in the Embassy of India for the Belgium, Luxembourg and the European Union at Brussels, Additional Secretary, Cabinet Secretariat, Joint Secretary, Minority Affairs and Deputy Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas in the Union Government of India. In the State of Karnataka with a population of 62.5 million, he worked in various sectors such as Land Administration, Agriculture & Horticulture, Rural Development, Environment, Education and Transportation.

He holds master's degrees in Political Science from the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and in Public Administration from the Carleton University, Ottawa and is a recipient of Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration in the individual category for 2009.

He lives in New Delhi, has a daughter who lives in Bangalore and a son who lives in New York.

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