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**WELCOME NOTE BY THE CHAIRMAN OF CERA MR. GEORGE SHAMMAS**

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen Good morning,

It is a pleasure to welcome you to Cyprus. We are really glad to host for the first time the MEDREGs' Communication Officers Meeting and the Working Group on Institutional Issues meeting.

I am very pleased to see here in Cyprus representatives from many neighbouring countries giving us this way, the opportunity to exchange views on the main perspective and regulatory challenges in the region. CERA, among the years, supports and promotes the work of MEDREG, since the establishment of a common regulatory framework in the energy field of the Mediterranean region is a necessary tool to guarantee a stable set of legislation, rules and technical standards. CERA truly supports MEDREGs' work to share information, expertise and good practices among its members, thus helping them to reinforce their institutional capacities and encourage appropriate reforms.

Once again, I would like to thank you all for coming. I wish to all of you fruitful discussions, interesting findings and observations.

Thank you.