RESOLUTION OF THE PARTICIPANTS OF THE REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON THE TRANSITION TO EFFICIENT LIGHTING IN SOUTHEAST ASIA: THE UNEP/GEF GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL EFFICIENT LIGHTING EFFORTS

- 1. WE government officials in charge of Energy Efficiency Programs, representatives of Climate Change Offices, of Ministries of Environment, Energy, Natural Resources, Mines and Industry, Testing and Standardization authorities of Southeast Asian countries, along with experts, and representatives of the public and private sectors of the region, gathered in Singapore on 4 November, 2011.
- 2. RECOGNIZE that energy efficiency programs generate proven economic benefits for citizens, countries and regions making more resources available for projects of social benefit and productive and economic development. Further, cost-effective efforts in the energy efficiency domain are an excellent opportunity for countries of the Southeast Asian region to contribute to climate change mitigation.
- 3. ACKNOWLEDGE that few actions can reduce carbon emissions as easily and with as many substantial economic benefits as energy efficiency programs in the lighting sector.
- 4. TAKE INTO ACCOUNT that many countries have already initiated activities to promote efficient lighting individually and regionally and this constitutes an important step in beginning a transition to energy efficient lighting.
- 5. WELCOME that the UNEP/GEF en.lighten initiative, in collaboration with experts from various countries, taking into account best international practices, has developed guidance in order to assist countries and regions in their transition to efficient lighting to achieve economic, energy and CO₂ emissions savings.
- 6. THE UNEP/GEF en.lighten initiative, in collaboration with its partner institutions and countries can provide the required technical assistance and support to countries to develop integrated national, and-regional efficient lighting strategies and plans, addressing all relevant aspects to ensure that the transition is effective and sustainable.

WE THEREFORE RECOMMEND THAT COUNTRIES:

- 1. RECOGNIZE that phasing-out inefficient lighting is one of the fastest, most cost-effective ways to tackle climate change and improve energy efficiency in countries.
- 2. PROMOTE the necessary consensus in their country to join the UNEP/GEF en.lighten Global Partnership Programme, to promote the transition to the most efficient lighting technologies beginning with the phase-out of incandescent lamps.