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REVISED DRAFT AGENDA

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- 1. Opening of the session
- 2. Election of a Chairman
- 3. Adoption of the agenda
- 4. Possible modifications of the PCT Search Guidelines (document PCT/MIA/VI/2)
- 5. Proposed modifications of the PCT Preliminary Examination Guidelines and proposed amendments of PCT Rules 64 and 70.10 (document PCT/MIA/VI/6)
- 6. Establishment of a uniform standard for the presentation of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings for international applications (document PCT/MIA/VI/15)
- 7. International search and international preliminary examination of international applications containing large numbers of sequence listings; proposed modifications of the PCT Administrative Instructions (documents PCT/MIA/VI/9 and PCT/MIA/VI/10)

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- 8. International search in case of disproportionate number of claims or extremely broad, vague and/or imprecise claims (documents PCT/MIA/VI/13 and PCT/MIA/VI/14)
- 9. Additional search and preliminary examination fees where lack of unity of invention is found (document PCT/MIA/VI/3)
- 10. Proposed amendment of PCT Rule 13*bis* (Microbiological inventions) (document PCT/MIA/VI/11)
- 11. Demand for international preliminary examination: late filing; right to file; filing with non-competent Authority; late payment fee (documents PCT/MIA/VI/5 and PCT/MIA/VI/12)
- 12. Confidential nature of the international preliminary examination (document PCT/MIA/VI/4)
- 13. Renewal of the Agreements under which the International Searching Authorities and International Preliminary Examining Authorities carry out their functions (document PCT/MIA/VI/8)
- 14. Acceptance of evidence of mailing a document in case of loss or delay where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used
- 15. Use of the Internet during international search and international preliminary examination (document PCT/MIA/VI/7)
- 16. Impact of electronic transmission of documents (including international applications and international search reports) on the PCT procedure
- 17. Other matters
- 18. Adoption of the report of the session
- 19. Closing of the session

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