

**SPEECH BY H.E. MR. BUI THE DUY, DEPUTY MINISTER OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY OF VIET NAM AT THE 65th GENERAL
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*Your Excellency Ambassador Mr. Alfredo Suescum (Panama), Chair of
the General Assembly,*

Director General Mr. Daren Tang,

Distinguished Delegates

gentlemen,

Ladies and

It is my distinct honor to address at the sixty-fifth session of the General Assembly of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on behalf of Viet Nam. The Delegation of Viet Nam fully aligns with the statements made on behalf of the Asia and the Pacific group and ASEAN.

At the outset, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to you, Mr. Chair, on your election as the Chair of this esteemed General Assembly. I also extend warm greetings to all distinguished guests and delegates. Our profound gratitude goes to Director General Mr. Daren Tang and the Secretariat for your excellent organization of this meeting.

Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates!

Viet Nam congratulates Member States and WIPO on the landmark adoption of the Treaty on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge Associate with Genetic Resources at the recent Diplomatic Conference in Geneva. This milestone represents a historic achievement after years of diligent negotiations. Furthermore, we commend WIPO's initiative to convene a Diplomatic Conference in Riyadh in November 2024 to finalize and adopt the Design Law Treaty (DLT). These accomplishments underscore the successful execution of WIPO's normative work, bolstered by the unwavering support of the Director General and his dedicated team.

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Viet Nam's National Intellectual Property Strategy towards 2030 underscores the imperative of engaging all sectors of society in intellectual property activities, with a particular emphasis on businesses as pivotal players in creating and exploiting intellectual property. In this regard, we express our sincere appreciation to WIPO, especially the Division for Asia and the Pacific (DAP) and the WIPO Singapore Office (WSO), for their invaluable technical support. These

initiatives have significantly enhanced the capabilities of Vietnamese businesses in the creation, establishment, exploitation, and protection of intellectual property rights.

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We highly appreciate the Global Innovation Index (GII) published annually by WIPO as an important tool to identify the strengths and weaknesses of each country. Based on GII, Members can propose appropriate solutions and improvement measures, as well as to promptly develop and promulgate relevant policies. Since 2023, Viet Nam has successfully been built and officially deployed the local innovation index (PII) nationwide as a tool to measure the current state of socio-economic development based on science, technology and innovation. On that basis, the PII Report 2023 was issued in which 63 provinces and cities of Viet Nam were ranked and recommendations were made to provinces and cities on solutions to improve their indexes in the following years.

Mr. Chair,

Mr. Director General,

Excellencies, Distinguished Delegates!

Viet Nam fully supports WIPO's decision to designate the theme "*Intellectual Property and the Sustainable Development Goals: Building Our Common Future through Innovation*" for World IP Day 2024. Acknowledging the pressing global challenges, Viet Nam reaffirms its commitment to being an active and responsible WIPO member, striving towards a comprehensive, equitable, dynamic, and forward-looking global intellectual property ecosystem that aligns with sustainable development goals.

On this occasion, I extend my best wishes to the Chair, the Director General, and all delegates. I am confident that under the Chair's astute leadership and with the active participation of all delegates, this General Assembly will be a resounding success.

Thank you for your attention./.