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**Advanced Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)**

WIPO Headquarters, Geneva, Room B

September 17 and 18, 2018

PROGRAM

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Monday, September 17, 2018

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.20 Welcome and PCT Status Report

Speaker: Mr. Matthew BRYAN

Director

PCT Legal and User Relations Division

09.20 – 10.15 Session 1: Best practices for the preparation and filing of PCT applications

Speaker: Ms. Christine BONVALLET

Head

PCT User Resources Section

10.15 – 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 – 11.00 Session 1: (continued)

11.00 – 12.30 Session 2: International Search and Preliminary Examination (including IP5 Collaborative Search and Examination Pilot)

Speaker: Mr. Zhilong YU

Senior Legal Officer

PCT Legal and User Support Section

12.30 – 13.00 Session 3: Legal considerations when e-filing PCT applications and subsequent documents

Speaker: Ms. Silke WEISS

Legal Officer

 PCT Legal and User Support Section

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 14.30 Session 3: (continued)

14.30 – 14.45 Coffee break

14.45 – 16.30 Session 4: ePCT: how to best use it to file and manage your PCT applications

Speakers: Mr. Pascal PIRIOU

 Customer Service Assistant

 PCT eServices Unit

 Mr. Yinghua CHEN

 Customer Service Assistant

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Tuesday, September 18, 2018

09.00 – 10.30 Session 5: Review of particular PCT safeguard provisions (omission of sensitive information, restoration of priority right, incorporation by reference

 Speaker: Mr. Matthias REISCHLE-PARK
Deputy Director
PCT Legal and User Relations Division

10.30 – 10.45 Coffee break

10.45 – 11.45 Session 6: Best practices for successful national phase entry

 Speaker: Matthias REISCHLE-PARK

11.45 – 12.30 Session 7: Recent and future PCT developments

 Speaker: Mr. Thomas HENNINGER
Legal Information Officer
PCT User Resources Section

12.30 – 13.00 Session 8: Discussion of participants’ cases and issues

Speaker: PCT Legal and User Support Section

13.00 Closing of seminar

14.00 – 15.00 Tour of PCT Operations (if desired)

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