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Madam, Sir,

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The International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) is pleased to invite representatives of your Office/Organization to attend the WIPO Standards Workshop on Applicant Name Standardization, which will take place in Geneva on September 5, 2016. During the same week, there will be also meetings of Task Forces under the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS) (September 6, 7 and 9, 2016).

Applicant name standardization is currently an issue of paramount importance in the community of industrial property (IP) information. IP offices, IP information providers and IP information users currently face significant difficulties related to lack of harmonization of applicant names in patent applications. The goal of the Workshop is to coordinate and streamline efforts taken by all stakeholders to address these difficulties. It will cover a wide range of topics, including determining the origins of the problems faced, analyzing possible solutions and, finally, identifying suitable cooperation framework for applicant name standardization.

The meetings of the CWS Task Forces are intended to facilitate discussions among the members of those Task Forces for developing new WIPO standards regarding patent legal status event data and authority file and advancing the revision of WIPO Standard ST.26.

The provisional programs of the Workshop and the above-mentioned Task Forces meetings are enclosed herewith. The language of the meetings will be English.

It would be appreciated if the name(s), title(s) and contact details of the person(s) representing your Office/Organization could be communicated to the International Bureau of WIPO by August 22, 2016, at cws.mail@wipo.int. Practical information for WIPO events is available at http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/practical-information/geneva.html.

Any queries in relation to these meetings may be addressed to the Secretariat at: cws.mail@wipo.int.

Yours sincerely.

Yo Takagi

Assistant Director General

Enclosure: Programs



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WIPO STANDARDS WORKSHOP ON APPLICANT NAME STANDARDIZATION

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Geneva, September 5, 2016

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO

Venue: Conference Room NB 0.107

Morning session

9 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. Registration

9.30 a.m. – 9.45 a.m. **Opening Session**

Mr. Yo Takagi, Assistant Director General (WIPO)

9.45 a.m. – 10.15 a.m. **Difficulties related to applicant names in patent documents:**

users' perspective

Ms. Maike Houtrouw, Patent Documentation Group (PDG)

10.15 a.m. — 11.15 a.m. Difficulties related to applicant names and current practices:

IPOs' perspective

Mr. Jaewook Yoon, Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) Mr. Christian Soltmann, European Patent Office (EPO) Mr. Andrey Sekretov, Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)

11.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. Coffee break

11.30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Origin(s) of the problem: Why is this happening?

Mr. Stephen Adams, Patent Information Users Group (PIUG)

12 p.m. – 12.30 p.m. How patent information providers address the difficulties

related to applicant names

Mr. Steven Hajkowski, Thomson Reuters

12.30 p.m. – 1 p.m. A solution on the harmonization of entity name for Patent

Statistics

Ms. Hélène Dernis, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and

Development (OECD)

1 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. Lunch break

Afternoon session

2.30 p.m. – 3 p.m. Round table 1. Main problems to address

Coordinator: Ms. Jane List, Patent Committee (PatCom)

3 p.m. – 3.30 p.m. Round table 2. Possible solutions, including cooperation

framework

Coordinator: Ms. Katja Brabec, German Patent and Trade Mark

Office (DPMA)

3.30 p.m. – 3.45 p.m. Coffee break

3.45 p.m. – 4.15 p.m. Round table 3. Priorities for applicant name standardization

Coordinator: Mr. Hao Zhou, Head, Data Development Section

(WIPO)

4.15 p.m. – 4.45 p.m. Summary of findings and Role of WIPO

Round Table Coordinators,

Mr. Young-Woo Yun, Head, Standards Section (WIPO)

4.45 p.m. – 5 p.m. Concluding Remarks

Mr. Yo Takagi, Assistant Director General (WIPO)

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MEETINGS OF THE TASK FORCES OF THE COMMITTEE ON WIPO STANDARDS (CWS)

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Geneva, September 6, 7 and 9, 2016

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Venue: Conference Room NB 0.107

Schedule

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Morning:

9.00 a.m. – 9.30 a.m. Registration 9.30 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. Opening Session

10.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Legal Status Task Force

11.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. *Coffee break* 12.30 p.m. – 14.00 p.m. Lunch Break

Afternoon:

14.00 p.m. – 17.30 p.m. Legal Status Task Force

15.30 p.m. – 16.00 p.m. *Coffee break*

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

Morning:

9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Legal Status Task Force

11.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. *Coffee break* 12.30 p.m. – 14.00 p.m. Lunch Break

Afternoon:

14.00 p.m. – 17.30 p.m. Legal Status Task Force

15.30 p.m. – 16.00 p.m. *Coffee break*

Friday, September 9, 2016

Morning:

9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m. Sequence Listing Task Force

11.15 a.m. – 11.30 a.m. Coffee break 12.30 p.m. – 14.00 p.m. Lunch Break

Afternoon:

14.00 p.m. – 17.30 p.m. Authority File Task Force

15.30 p.m. – 16.00 p.m. Coffee break

17.30 p.m. – 18.00 p.m. Concluding Remarks

Note: Draft agenda and other materials for the CWS Task Forces meetings will be

available in due course on the e-fora of the respective Task Forces which are

accessible through CWS Task Force Wikis.

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