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**Workshop on the Occasion of World Water Day 2012:
The Role of Patent Information in Supporting Sustainable Access to
Safe Drinking Water – Presentation of Patent Landscape Reports on
“Water Desalination Technologies and the Use of Alternative Energies
for Desalination” and on “Water Treatment/Purification
Technologies”.**

organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
in cooperation with
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PROGRAM

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Thursday, March 22, 2012

Room NB 0107

10.00 – 10.15 Welcome address by:

Mr. Christian Wichard, Deputy Director General, Global Issues Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

10.15 – 10.45 Water at the Core of Global Challenges: Water Scenarios and Solutions

Speakers: Dr. Walid Abdel-Rahman, Head, Arab Water Council, and Chairman of GIWEH International Conference for Water Resources and Environment 2012

Dr. Nidal Salim, Executive Director, Global Institute for Water Environment and Health (GIWEH)

10.45 – 11.15 Presentation on the Results of the Patent Landscape Reports on “Desalination Technologies and the Use of Alternative Energies for Desalination” and “Water Treatment/Purification Technologies”

Speakers: Mr. Ilian Iliev, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Cambridge Intellectual Property Ltd

Mrs. Helena Van Der Vegt, Senior Associate, Cambridge Intellectual Property Ltd

11.15 – 11.45 Panel Discussion on the Role of Patent Information as a Tool to Support Global Water Challenges and on the Results of the Patent Landscape Reports

Moderator: Mr. Alejandro Roca Campaña, Senior Director-Advisor, Office of the Assistant Director General, Global Infrastructure Sector, WIPO

Ms. Mirei Isaka, Project Officer, Innovation and Technology Centre, International Renewable Energy Agency (IRENA)

Dr. Waleed Abdul-Rahman

Dr. Nidal Salim

Mr. Ilian Iliev

Mrs. Helena van der Vegt

Ms. Irene Kitsara, Project Coordinator, Patent Information Section, WIPO

The Panel will be followed by Q&A discussion which will provide participants the opportunity to give their feedback to the Secretariat and the speakers.

11.45 – 12.15 Q&A from the Participants

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