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**WIPO Awareness-Raising Seminar for the GCC Patent Office on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): The System for Worldwide Filing of Patent Applications**

organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with

the GCC Patent Office

**Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, May 25 to 26, 2016**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Wednesday, May 25, 2016

09.00 – 09.30 Registration

09.30 – 10.00 Opening Ceremony

 Mr. Abdullah Ibrahim Almoqhim, Director General, Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCCPO), Riyadh

Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

10.00 – 10.45 **Patenting in the GCC Gulf States: Current Status, PCT Membership of the GCC States, and Cooperation with WIPO**

Speaker: Mr. Abdallah Al Mazroa, Patent Consultant, Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCCPO), Riyadh

10.45 – 12.00 **Introduction: Basics, Contracting States, Statistics, Main Advantages of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

12.00 – 12.30 Coffee Break

12.30 – 13.30 **The PCT International Phase and National Phase**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

13.30 – 14.00 **The PCT Administrative Procedures**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

Thursday, May 26, 2016

10.00 – 12.00 **The ePCT System: Presentation and Live Demonstration**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

12.00 – 12.30 Coffee Break

12.30 – 13.30 **The Use of the PCT System as an Engine for Technology Transfer**

Speakers: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

13.30 – 14.00 **Summary and Closing Address**

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