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1. Opening of the session

2. Election of the Chair and two Vice-Chairs

3. Adoption of the agenda
   See the present document.

4. Adoption of the draft report of the twenty-sixth session
   See document SCP/26/8 Prov.

5. Report on the international patent system: Certain aspects of national/regional patent laws
   See document SCP/27/2.

6. Exceptions and limitations to patent rights
   See document SCP/27/3.

   Other related documents: SCP/14/7 and SCP/19/6.

7. Quality of patents, including opposition systems
   See documents SCP/27/4 and 5.

   – Sharing session on further examples and cases relating to assessment of inventive step.

   – A half-day information exchange session on cooperation between patent offices in search and examination.

Other related documents: SCP/17/7, 8 and 10, SCP/18/9, SCP/19/4, SCP/20/11 Rev., SCP/23/4 and SCP/24/3.

8. Patents and health

See document SCP/27/6.

- Sharing session on patents and other related issues on access to medicines.

- A half-day information exchange session on publicly accessible databases on patent information status and data on medicines and vaccines.

Other related documents: SCP/16/7 and 7 Corr., SCP/17/11, SCP/24/4 and SCP/26/6.

9. Confidentiality of communications between clients and their patent advisors

- Sharing session on the experiences of Member States in implementing the confidentiality of communication between clients and their patent advisors through national legislation, including cross-border issues

10. Transfer of technology

- Sharing session on patent law provisions that contributed to effective transfer of technology.

11. Other issues: Informative session on legislative assistance in the field of patents and related capacity building

12. Future work

13. Summary by the Chair

14. Closing of the session

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