



# ABBREVIATIONS

ACDAM	Agencia Cubana de Derecho de Autor Musical	GEMA	Gesellschaft für Musikalische Aufführungs-und Mechanische Vervielfältigungsrechte
ACUM	Société des auteurs, compositeurs et éditeurs de musique en Israel	GNP	gross national product
ADR	alternative dispute resolution	gTLD	generic top-level domain names
AICRPE	All India Coordinated Research Project on Ethnobiology	HP	Hewlett Packard Inc.
AIDS	acquired immune deficiency syndrome	IAC	Industry Advisory Commission
APRA	Australasian Performing Right Association	IACC	International Anti-Counterfeiting Coalition
ARIPO	African Regional Industrial Property Organization	IAS	international accounting standards
ASCAP	American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers	IASC	International Accounting Standards Committee
ASP	application service providers	ICANN	Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers
ATSIC	Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission	ICC	International Chamber of Commerce
AUTM	Association of University Technology Managers	IFPI	International Federation of the Phonographic Industry
BMI	Broadcast Music Inc.	IP	intellectual property
BSA	Business Software Alliance	IPMD	intellectual property management division
BTG	British Technology Group	IPO	intellectual property office
ccTLD	country code top-level domain names	IPR	intellectual property rights
CD	compact disc	IPRS	Indian Performing Rights Society
CERN	European Organization for Nuclear Research	ISMH	Indian Systems of Medicine and Homeopathy
CIPR	Coalition for Intellectual Property Rights	IT	information technology
CISAC	International Confederation of Societies of Authors and Composers	JASRAC	Japanese Society for Rights of Authors, Composers and Publishers
COMPASS	Composers & Authors Society of Singapore Ltd	JPO	Japanese Patent Office
COTT	Copyright Organisation of Trinidad and Tobago Ltd.	KCI	Yayasan Karya Cipta Indonesia
CSIR	Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (India)	KIPO	Korean Intellectual Property Office
DFG	Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft	LDCs	least developed countries
DNA	DeoxyriboNucleic Acid	M&As	mergers and acquisitions
DRF	Dr. Reddy's Research Foundation	MFN	most favored nation
DSL	digital line subscriber	MPA	Motion Picture Association
DVD	digital versatile disc	MPG	Max-Planck-Institute
EAU	Easti Autorite Uhing	MRI	magnetic resonance imaging
EC	European Commission	NATO	North Atlantic Treaty Organization
EER	earnings expenditure ratio	NGO	non-governmental organization
EPC	European Patent Convention	NMPA	National Music Publishers' Association
EPO	European Patent Office	NRDC	National Research Development Corporation
FDI	foreign direct investment	OAPI	Organisation Africaine de la propriété intellectuelle/African Intellectual Property Organization
GAPP	Generally Accepted Accounting Principles	OD	organizational development
GATT	General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade	OECD	Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
GDP	gross domestic product		

OHIM	Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market	WCO	World Customs Organization
OTL	office of technology licensing	WCT	WIPO Copyright Treaty
PC	personal computer	WE	Western Electric
PCT	Patent Cooperation Treaty	WHO	World Health Organization
PLT	Patent Law Treaty	WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
PPP	pro-active patent policies	WPPT	WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty
R&D	research and development	WTO	World Trade Organization
REACT	Réseau Européen Anti-Contrefaçon	ZIMRA	Zimbabwe Music Rights Association
RIAA	Recording Industry Association of America		
ROM	read-only memory		
SACEM	Société des auteurs, compositeurs et éditeurs de musique		
SAMRO	South African Music Rights Organisation		
SESAC	The Society of European Stage Authors and Composers		
SIIA	Software & Information Industry Association		
SMEs	small and medium-sized enterprises		
SMI	Secure Digital Music Initiative		
TBGRI	Tropical Botanical Garden Research Institute		
TK	traditional knowledge		
TKDL	traditional knowledge digital library		
TKRC	Traditional Knowledge Research Classification		
TLOs	technology licensing offices		
TM	trademark		
TRIPS	trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights		
UAW	United Auto Workers		
UDRP	uniform dispute resolution policy		
UK	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland		
UNCTAD	United Nations Conference on Trade and Development		
UNESCO	United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization		
UNICE	Union of Industrial and Employers' Confederations of Europe		
UPOV	International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants		
US	United States of America		
USPTO	United States Patent and Trademark Office		
VCR	video cassette recorder		