**Action Plan adopted at the 2nd Symposium for the Global network of Intellectual Property Academies (GNIPA)**

**Beijing, China, May 8 and 9, 2008**

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**Beijing Action Plan**

Under the framework set out in the Rio Declaration, adopted at the 1st International Symposium on Intellectual Property Academies held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil on March 21 and 22, 2007, the second symposium for the Global network of intellectual property (IP) Academies (GNIPA) held in Beijing, China, on May 8 and 9, 2008 examined the implementation of the Rio Declaration and adopted the following action plan for the next period until its next meeting in 2009.

- **Secretariat of GNIPA:**
  
  - Formally recognized the secretariat of GNIPA. The secretariat is composed of WIPO and two other members of GNIPA (comprising of the current host and the next host). The term of the secretariat is one year. The WIPO Worldwide Academy shall be responsible for the day to day administration of the work of the secretariat of GNIPA that will be agreed upon by all members.
  
  - Any application to the GNIPA for membership should be made through the Secretariat.

- **Create a GNIPA website,** to be linked to and administered by the WIPO Worldwide Academy and which shall contain inter alia:
  
  - an international survey agreed upon by the GNIPA of key figures and facts with regard to IP education, training and research;
  - educational materials and documents which result from mutual cooperation;
  - Provide a questionnaire to cover all substantive issues concerning the operation of GNIPA. The representatives from Brazil agreed to provide a draft of the questionnaire that will be circulated to all Members of the GNIPA for their input or comments and Brazil will further coordinate the collection of the responses to the questionnaire.

- **The WIPO Worldwide Academy,** in cooperation with partners of the Network, will carry out a comprehensive study on the feasibility of the creation of an International Journal on Intellectual Property Education Training and Research. The journal shall be a peer reviewed publication of scholarly articles and serve as a source of contemporary IP issues;

- **Partners of the Network will exchange educational materials,** in either electronic format or hard copy as appropriate;

- **The WIPO Worldwide Academy,** in cooperation with partners of the Network, will carry out consultations on the feasibility of adopting a compatible e-learning management platform;
• The WIPO Worldwide Academy will coordinate the provision of translation services on IP educational material as appropriate;

• Internships in IP Academies for LL.M. students from the Members of the GNIPA should be facilitated;

• Inter-Academy Cooperation, synergies etc. should be encouraged among the GNIPA members;

• Compilation of the list of IP books and publications to be donated by the Members of the GNIPA should be communicated to the WIPO Worldwide Academy. The list will be posted on the GNIPA websites. The GNIPA Members will share these materials for IP education, training and research.