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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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| 9.00 – 10.00 | <i>Registration</i> |
| 10.00 – 10.15 | Opening |
| 10.15 – 10.45 | Access to patent information and role of classification |
| 10.45 – 11.15 | IPC reform – objectives and principal features |
| 11.15 – 11.30 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |
| 11.30 – 12.00 | Information technology support for IPC users |
| 12.00 – 12.30 | Global collection of patent documentation – Master Classification Database |
| 12.30 – 13.00 | Trilateral Classification Harmony Project |

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| 13.00 – 15.00 | <i>Lunch</i> |
| 15.00 – 15.30 | IPC reform – user's view |
| 15.30 – 16.00 | Implementation of the reformed IPC by industrial property offices |
| 16.00 – 16.15 | <i>Coffee Break</i> |
| 16.15 – 16.45 | Implementation of the reformed IPC by commercial patent information providers |
| 16.45 – 17.45 | Discussion and conclusions |
| 17.45 – 18.00 | Closing followed by a reception |

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