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The Chair of the Coordination Committee of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments to the Minister for Foreign Affairs and has the honor to communicate to the Government of each State member of WIPO the following.

The term of office of the Director General of WIPO, Mr. Daren Tang, expires on September 30, 2026.

In accordance with the provisions of the Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization and pursuant to the Procedures for the Nomination and Appointment of Directors General of WIPO adopted by the WIPO General Assembly in September 1998, as amended in October 2019, the WIPO Coordination Committee will be convened in an extraordinary session on February 12 and 13, 2026, to nominate a person for appointment by the WIPO General Assembly as Director General. The decision to appoint the individual nominated by the WIPO Coordination Committee will be made by the WIPO General Assembly at its extraordinary session on April 21, 2026.

The Government of every State member of WIPO may, if it so desires, propose the name of one of its nationals as candidate for nomination by the WIPO Coordination Committee. Any proposal shall be accompanied by the *curriculum vitae* of the person proposed and should be addressed to the Chair of the WIPO Coordination Committee, at the address of WIPO in Geneva (and *via* email to legalcounsel@wipo.int), by the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Member State making the proposal. Proposals must reach WIPO before 5 p.m. on Friday, October 24, 2025.

July 24, 2025