

Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC)

2014 Schedule for the IGC

Deadline for receipt of applications for accreditation at the Twenty-Seventh Session (March/April 2014)	January 23, 2014.
Deadline for receipt of applications to the Voluntary Fund in view of the Twenty-Eighth Session of the IGC (July 2014)	January 23, 2014.
Twenty-Sixth Session of the IGC (Genetic Resources – 5 days) - Ambassadors/Senior Capital-Based Officials meeting to share views on key policy issues relating to the negotiations on GRs, TK and TCEs, to further inform/guide the process (half day) - Undertake text-based negotiations on GRs with a focus on considering options for a draft legal text (four and a half days)	February 3 to 7, 2014.
Twenty-Seventh Session of the IGC (Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions – 10 days) - Consideration of crosscutting TK/TCE issues (one day) - TK – Focus on objectives, principles, 4 key articles viz Subject Matter of Protection, Beneficiaries, Scope of Protection and Limitations and Exceptions (four days)	March 24 to April 4, 2014.

- Consideration of crosscutting TK/TCE issues (one day) - TCEs – Focus on objectives, principles, 4 key Articles viz Subject Matter of Protection, Beneficiaries, Scope of Protection, and Limitations and Exceptions (four days)	
Deadline for receipt of applications to the Voluntary Fund in view of the Twenty-Ninth Session of the IGC (2015, <i>dates to be determined</i>)	May 8, 2014.
Deadline for receipt of applications for accreditation at the Twenty-Eighth Session (July 2014)	May 23, 2014.
Twenty-Eighth Session of the IGC (crosscutting session/stocktaking – 3 days) - Crosscutting GRs/TK/TCE session - Take stock of progress and make a recommendation to the General Assembly.	July 7 to 9, 2014.
WIPO General Assemblies - With a view to finalizing the text(s) within the biennium, the General Assembly in 2014 will take stock of and consider the text(s), progress made and decide on convening a Diplomatic Conference, and will consider the need for additional meetings, taking account of the budgetary process.	September 22 to 30, 2014.