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organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with
the Government of the Kingdom of Morocco,

Rabat, May 20 and 21, 2003

PROGRAM

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Tuesday, May 20, 2003

- 9.00–9.30 OPENING CEREMONY
- Welcome address by:
- The Representative of the government of the Kingdom of Morocco
- Mrs. Fatima Daboussi, Deputy Director, Cooperation for
Development Bureau for Arab Countries, World Intellectual Property
Organization (WIPO), Geneva
- 9.30–10.00 Coffee Break
- 10.00–10.45 Policies, Principles and Objectives of the Protection of Traditional
Cultural Expressions
- Speaker: Mr. Wend Wendland, Head, Traditional Creativity and
Cultural Expressions Section, Traditional Knowledge
Division, WIPO
- 10.45–11.15 The Significance of the Convention on Biological Diversity and the
Draft UNESCO Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible
Cultural Heritage
- Speaker: Mr. André Dorion, *Services juridiques, Patrimoine
canadien*, Ministry of Justice, Quebec, Canada
- 11.15–12.00 The Economic, Social and Cultural Values of Traditional Cultural
Expressions
- Speakers: Mrs. Amna Hamdane, Head of Research Section,
GCC Folklore Center, Doha, Qatar
- Dr. Ahmed Ali Morsi, Head, Arabic Language and
Folklore Department, Faculty of Literature, Cairo
University, Giza, Egypt

Tuesday, May 20, 2003 (cont'd)

- 12.00–12.30 Discussions
- 12.30–13.15 The Use of Existing Intellectual Property Rights to Protect Traditional Cultural Expressions
- Speakers: Mrs. Agnes Lucas-Schloetter, Researcher, Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition and Tax Law, Munich
- Practical Case
- Mr. Mourad Sakli, Director, *Centre des musiques méditerranéennes et arabes*, Sidi Bou Saïd
- 13.15–14.00 *Sui Generis* Systems for the Protection of Traditional Cultural Expressions
- Speakers: Mrs. Agnes Lucas-Schloetter
- Mr. Wend Wendland
- 14.00–14.30 Discussions

Wednesday, May 21, 2003

- 9.00–9.45 Inventories, Registers and Databases of Cultural Heritage – the Relationship between the Preservation of Cultural Heritage and its Protection
- Speakers: Mr. Wend Wendland
- Mr. André Dorion
- Mrs. Amna Hamdane
- Dr. Ahmed Ali Morsi

Wednesday, May 21, 2003 (cont'd)

9.45–10.30 Customary and Indigenous Laws and Protocols for the Protection of Traditional Cultural Expressions

Introduction: Mrs. Agnes Lucas Schloetter

Speakers: Mrs. Amna Hamdane

Dr. Ahmed Ali Morsi

10.30–11.00 Coffee Break and Discussion

11.00–12.00 The Protection of Traditional Cultural Expressions in Morocco

Speakers: Mr. Abdallah Ouadrhiri, Director, Moroccan Copyright Office, Rabat

Mr. Aziz Bouazzaoui, Director, Moroccan Industrial and Commercial Property Office (OMPIC), Casablanca

12.00–13.00 National Reports: Legislative and Practical Experiences

13.00–13.30 Future Directions: Overview of Relevant Issues

Introduction by Mrs. Fatima Daboussi and Mr. Wend Wendland, followed by Panel Discussion

13.30–14.45 Lunch

14.45–15.45 Elaboration of a Statement for Future Works in the Field of Traditional Cultural Expressions and Closing Ceremony

15.45–18.00 Working Group

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