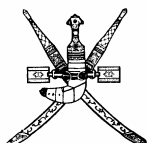


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ACCESS TO PHARMACEUTICAL PRODUCTS – ADDRESSING THE
CONCERNS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES**

organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with
the Ministry of Commerce and Industry

and
the Ministry of Health

Muscat, April 2 to 4, 2007

PROGRAM

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Monday, April 2, 2007

9.00 – 9.30 OPENING CEREMONY

Welcome addresses by:

The representative of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Muscat

The representative of the Ministry of Health, Muscat

The representative of the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

9.30 – 10.00 Coffee Break

10.00 – 11.30 Multilateral Standards of Industrial Property and their Impact on Access to Pharmaceuticals: From the Asymmetries of the Paris Convention to the Flexibilities of the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement)

Speaker: Mr. Nuno Pires de Carvalho, Acting Director-Advisor, Division for Public Policy and Development, Office of Strategic Use of Intellectual Property for Development, WIPO

11.30 – 12.00 WIPO's Technical Assistance and the Implementation of National Industrial Property Strategies

Speaker: Mr. Mahmud Muntasser, Counsellor, Technical Assistance and Capacity Building Bureau for Arab Countries, WIPO

12.00 – 12.30 Coffee Break

12.30 – 13.30 The Experience of the Sultanate of Oman in Negotiating Access to Pharmaceutical Products in the Context of Trade-Related Agreements

Speaker: Dr. Jaber bin Marhoun Flaifil Al-Wahaiby, Expert on Intellectual Property Matters, Muscat

13.30– 14.30 Access to International Markets and National Policies in the Field of Public Health: The Experience of the Republic of Egypt

Speaker: Representatives of the Republic of Egypt

Tuesday, April 3, 2007

9.00 – 10.00 National Experiences in Industrial Property Protection in the Field of Pharmaceuticals

Speakers: Representatives of the Kingdom of Bahrain

Representatives of the State of Kuwait

10.00 – 10.30 Discussion

10.30 – 11.30 National Experiences in Industrial Property Protection in the Field of Pharmaceuticals (cont'd)

Speakers: Representatives of the Sultanate of Oman

Representatives of the Republic of Lebanon

11.30 – 12.00 Discussion

12.00 – 12.30 Coffee Break

12.30 – 14.00 National Experiences in Industrial Property Protection in the Field of Pharmaceuticals (cont'd)

Speakers: Representatives of the State of Qatar

Representatives of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Representatives of the United Arab Emirates (UAE)

14.00 – 14.30 Discussion

14.30 – 15.15 Public Procurement of Pharmaceuticals in the GCC and the Role of Local Generic Companies

Speaker: Ms. Asiya Ibrahim Juma AL-KINDI, Pharmacist and Head, Drugs Section , Directorate of Specifications and Supplies, Muscat

Wednesday, April 4, 2007

9.00 – 10.00 Protection of Patents and Test-Data in the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC) Region

Speaker: Dr. Batool Jaffer Suleiman, Director, Rational Drug Use, Ministry of Health, Muscat

- 10.00 – 11.00 Public Policy, Generic Industries and the Implementation of a Free Trade Agreement (FTA)
- Speakers: Representatives of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
- Representatives of the Kingdom of Morocco
- 11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break
- 11.30 – 13.00 The Marketing Approval of Pharmaceuticals and the Impact of Industrial Property: The National Experience
- Speakers: Representatives of the Republic of Egypt
- Representatives of the Kingdom of Jordan
- Ms. Hannan Al-Sboul, Secretary General, Jordanian Association of Manufacturers of Pharmaceutical and Medical Appliances (JAPM), Amman
- 13.00 – 13.30 Discussion
- 13.30 – 14.30 Roundtable Discussion: Where are We? What Comes Next?
- Speakers: Mr. Nuno Pires de Carvalho
- Mr. Mahmud Muntasser
- Ms. Hannan Al-Sboul
- Dr. Batool Jaffer Suleiman
- Ms. Asia bint Ibrahim Al-Kandeia
- Dr. Jaber bin Marhoun Flaifil Al-Wahaiby
- 14.30 CLOSING CEREMONY

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