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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

Prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO

Friday, September 27, 2019

08.30 – 09.30 Registration

09.30 – 09.40 Welcome Address Mr. Francis Gurry, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

09.40 – 10.40 **OPENING PANEL** **What impact does AI have on the IP system and IP policy?**

- How big is AI's impact on innovation, commercial markets and industry?
- What IP-related issues do we have regarding AI's rise?
- Will AI change IP traditional concepts? Why?
- What needs to be done in the IP area to support AI innovation?

Moderator: Director General of WIPO

Panelists: Four panelists will be invited from government, industry, academia, and other stakeholder groups

10.40 – 11.40 **PATENT PANEL** **AI and patents; are the current patent law and patentability guidelines appropriate for protecting and using AI-related inventions?**

- Is there a need for special rules on patentability criteria for AI inventions?
- Examination Guidelines of IPOs; are they coherent, or is there a need for international convergence?
- Are patent systems fast enough to respond to the speed of open science and open innovation in the AI field?
- What problems remain unresolved?
- What challenges do we have for enforcement and licensing of AI patents? Do we need digital procedures with digital evidence?
- What are the challenges facing global management of AI patents in different jurisdictions

Moderator: [to be decided]

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11.40 – 12.30	GOVERNANCE	Socio-economic and ethical impacts of AI on the IP system: public policy perspectives <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What risks come with the impact of AI on the IP system?• Government regulations and codes of conduct by industry?• Liability issues in cases of AI malpractice and misjudgment; should the IP system reflect these?• Will AI widen the gap between countries in their access to new technologies? What strategy is necessary to mitigate it? <p>Moderator: [to be decided]</p> <p>Panelists: Four panelists will be invited from government, industry, academia, and other stakeholders groups</p>
12.30 – 13.30	Lunch break	
13.30 – 14.30	PRESENTATIONS	The WIPO Secretariat will give a series of presentations on WIPO AI Tools and related activities. (no interpretation, English only)
14.30 – 15.30	COPYRIGHT PANEL	Will AI change human creativity and its protection as copyright and related rights? <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do works generated by AI deserve copyright protection?• Some issues identified; authorship, ownership, originality, digital rights management of AI works and databases?• What about diversified criteria in various jurisdictions?• Do machine-generated data and algorithms need to be protected by copyright?• Do we have to readjust the copyright system? Where, what and how? <p>Moderator: [to be decided]</p> <p>Panelists: Four panelists will be invited from government, industry, academia, and other stakeholders groups</p>
15.30 – 15.40	VIDEO MESSAGES	Pre-recorded interviews on AI and IP

