

*Thank you, Chair*

I'm honored to take the floor on behalf of Finland. We wish to align ourselves with the statements of the European Union and Group B.

Generative Artificial Intelligence is transforming industries at fast speed. The interaction between IP Offices and applicants and users of IPR is evolving constantly. Exchange of best practices to this end needs to be stepped up.

Finland believes that continued efficient operation of the IP framework is crucial for future generations of inventors and creators.

Thus, Chair, we welcome the WIPO work on various aspects of AI and its implications on different IP Rights. We want to emphasize the need to develop technical solutions in all fields of IP while sticking to the core principles of IP frameworks.

Finland is in favor of building awareness and knowledge in how IP stakeholders could benefit from improved IP data sharing. This is the case for Industrial Property and holds true also for Copyright Infrastructure, the topic of WIPO AI Conversations 11 organised in April. We invite everyone to exchange experiences at the new WIPO platform "A 3 I", AI Infrastructure Interchange formally starting on 8 December.

In the context of the SCCR committee all necessary preparatory work for finalizing negotiations for a Broadcasting Treaty has been done. We are also very pleased that the WIPO IGC committee was able to make progress and recommend the renewal of its mandate. One important step is deepening the interaction between Member States and beneficiaries. This requires the participation of Indigenous Peoples and local communities in the work of the IGC.

Finally, let me assure you, honorable Chair, that Finland will continue to support you in successfully leading the General Assemblies.