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**WIPO National Workshop on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): The System for Worldwide Filing of Patent Applications**

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**Muscat, Sultanate of Oman, April 26 to 27, 2016**

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Tuesday, April 26, 2016

08:30 – 09:00 Registration

09.00 – 09.30 Opening Ceremony

 H.H. Dr. Fahad Al Julanda, Assistant Secretary General, Innovation and Development Office, The Research Council, Muscat

Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

09:30 – 09:45 Coffee Break

09.45 – 10.30 **Patents in the Sultanate of Oman: Current Status, Performance and Statistics**

Speaker: Mr. Jumaa Abdulraheem, Patent Expert, Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Muscat

10.30 – 11.45 **Keynote Speech: On the Occasion of the World IP Day (April 26): The Role of Patents in Fostering Innovation and the National Patent System in the Sultanate of Oman: An Overview of the Industrial Property Law 68/2008**

Speaker: Mr. Saleh Hamed Al-Brashdi, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Private Law, College of Law, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat

11.45 – 12.00 Coffee Break

12.00 – 13.00 **Introduction: Basics, Contracting States, Statistics, Main Advantages of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

13.00 – 14.00 **The PCT International and National Phases**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

09.00 – 11.00 **The ePCT System: Presentation and Live Demonstration**

Speaker: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

11.00 – 11.15 Coffee Break

11.15 – 13.15 **The Use of the PCT System as an Engine for Technology Transfer and the Omani Experience in Patent Commercialization**

Speakers: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

 Ms. Sheikha Al Akhzami, Deputy Director, Innovation & Entrepreneurship Department, Deanship of Research, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat

13.15 – 14.00 **The Use of Patents in the Sultanate of Oman for the Development of Green Technologies in an Environmentally-Sustainable Environment**

Speakers: Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

 Local Speakers (TBA)

14.00 – 14.30 **Summary and Closing Address**

Mr. Ahmed Mohamed Al-Saidi, Director, Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, Muscat

Mr. Ali Jazairy, Senior Counsellor, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

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