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# **Roundtable on Fostering South-South and Triangular Cooperation in Intellectual Property and Innovation**

## **Second session**

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

**Geneva, May 15, 2023**

Room A

## **PROGRAM**

*prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO*

Monday, May 15, 2023

9.00 – 9.30      Registration and welcoming beverages

9.30 – 10.00    **Opening**

Mr. Hasan Kleib, Deputy Director General, Regional and Development Sector,  
WIPO (tbc)

**Special Address**

Ms. Dima Al-Khatib, Director, UN Office for South-South Cooperation,  
New York

10.00 – 11.30    **Session 1    WIPO's Work on South-South and Triangular Cooperation –  
Where are we heading?**

*Description: WIPO intends to structure its South-South and Triangular Cooperation work by thematic areas that drive or are driven by innovation rather than IP types. During the first session, WIPO representatives will provide an overview of some projects that have a South-South and/or Triangular Cooperation element in IP and innovation-related fields. Contributors in this session will showcase IP-focused areas where such initiatives have been common in the past, and outline new thematic areas where such initiatives are more often requested or needed by countries.*

Facilitator:    Ms. Dima Al-Khatib, Director, UN Office for South-South  
Cooperation, New York

Contributors: Mr. Irfan Baloch, Director, Development Agenda Coordination  
Division, WIPO

Mr. Walid Abdelnasser, Director, Division for Arab Countries,  
WIPO

Mr. Peter Oksen, Green Technology and Research Manager,  
WIPO Green

Q and A and contributions by all participants

11.30 – 13.00    **Session 2    Re-scoping WIPO's South-South and Triangular Cooperation  
initiatives**

*Description: To build on the discussion under session 1, and on the conclusions of the Roundtable held in October 2022, contributors representing different Member States will share their experience with projects and success stories that were delivered through South-South or Triangular Cooperation mechanism in their respective countries. Each project will highlight different areas of intersection between IP, innovation and socio-economic or cultural development (for example, green technologies, agriculture, health, creative industries, youth engagement, IP management, and so on). The practical examples showcased, will help determine and shape the primary thematic clusters around which WIPO could focus its South-South and Triangular Cooperation work, including through its online databases.*

Facilitator: Mr. Habip Asan, Director, Division for Transition and Developed Countries (TDC), WIPO

Contributors: Ms. Maslina Malik, Senior Officer, IP Rights Division  
ASEAN Economic Community (AEC), ASEAN Secretariat,  
Jakarta, Indonesia

Ms. Wang Tao, Deputy Director General, Department of  
Administration of Patent Examination, China National Intellectual  
Property Administration, Beijing

Mr. Vladimir Ludovic Mezui Ono, Head, Project on Strengthening  
and Promoting the Plant Variety Protection System (PPOV),  
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI), Yaoundé,  
Cameroon

Q and A and contributions by participants

**13.00 – 14.30 Lunch Break**

**14.30 – 16.00 Session 3 Challenges and opportunities of South-South and Triangular Cooperation initiatives**

*Description: Once the primary thematic clusters are identified, contributors representing Member States and/or other intergovernmental organizations will anticipate what challenges they may face in engaging in such initiatives. These will be also based on their previous experiences. During this session, contributors and participants will also discuss how WIPO could help to address these challenges and what opportunities could such initiatives bring for sustainable development.*

Facilitator: Ms. Altayework Tedla Desta, Head, Distance Learning Program,  
WIPO Academy

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Development, Swedish Intellectual Property Office, Stockholm

Ms. Denisse Perez, Manager, International Affairs and Policy  
Department, National Institute of Industrial Property (INAPI),  
Chile

Q and A and contributions by participants

**16.00 – 16.30 Coffee Break**

**16.30 – 17:30 Conclusion and Direction for the Next Meeting**

*Description: In addition to summarizing and concluding the discussions of the Roundtable, the purpose of this session will be to provide a direction and a set of concrete recommendations for the objectives and program of the next High-level meeting on South-South and Triangular Cooperation in IP and Innovation, to be held by WIPO in 2024.*

Facilitator: Mr. Irfan Baloch, Director, Development Agenda Coordination  
Division, WIPO

Contributors: all contributors and participants

17.30 – 17.45 **Closing**

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