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PROGRAM

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Monday, September 25, 2017

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.20 Welcome and PCT Status Report

 Speaker: Mr. Matthew BRYAN

 Director

 PCT Legal Division

09.20 – 10.15 Session 1: Best practices related to the preparation and filing of PCT
applications, and common mistakes

Speaker: Ms. Christine BONVALLET

 Senior Legal Officer

 PCT Legal Affairs Section

 PCT Legal Division

10.15 – 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 – 11.30 Session 1: (continued)

11.30 – 13.00 Session 2: ePCT, WIPO’s on-line system for filing and managing PCT applications (including live demo)

Speaker: Ms. Ann BARDINI

 Senior Business Analyst

 PCT Business Development Division

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 – 15.15 Session 3: Best practices related to International Search and Preliminary Examination

Speaker: Mr. Thomas MARLOW

 Policy Officer

 PCT Business Development Division

15.15 – 15.30 Coffee break

15.30 – 16.30 Session 4: Recent and future PCT developments

Speaker: Ms. Silke WEISS

 Program Officer

 PCT Outreach and User Relations Section

 PCT Legal Division

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Tuesday, September 26, 2017

09.00 – 09.45 Session 5: Introduction to the PCT national/regional phase

Speaker: Mr. Matthias REISCHLE-PARK

 Deputy Director

 PCT Legal Division

09.45 – 10.30 Session 6: Best practices and considerations for national/regional phase entry in the IP5 Offices (China, European Patent Office, Japan, Republic of Korea, and the United States of America)

Moderator: Mr. Matthias REISCHLE-PARK

Speakers: Mr. Zhilong YU

 Senior Legal Officer

 PCT Legal Affairs Section

 PCT Legal Division

 EPO speaker **(invited)**

 European Patent Office

 Mr. Kazuhide FUJITA

 Counsellor

 PCT Legal Affairs Section

 PCT Legal Division

 KIPO expert

 PCT Legal Affairs Section

 PCT Legal Division

 Mr. Michael NEAS **(invited)**

 Deputy Director

 International Patent Legal Administration

 United States Patent and Trademark Office

10.30 – 10.45 Coffee break

10.45 – 13.00 Session 6: (continued)

13.00 Closing of seminar

14.00 – 15.00 Optional tour of PCT Operations

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