

## **Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore**

**Twenty-Third Session**  
**Geneva, February 4 to 8, 2013**

### ACCREDITATION OF CERTAIN ORGANIZATIONS

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1. The Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (“the Committee”), at its first session, held in Geneva, from April 30 to May 3, 2001, approved certain organizational and procedural matters, including according *ad hoc* observer status to a number of organizations that had expressed their wish to have a role in the work of the Committee (see the Report adopted by the Committee, WIPO/GRKTF/IC/1/13, paragraph 18).

2. Since then, an additional number of organizations have expressed to the Secretariat their wish to obtain the same status for the subsequent sessions of the Committee. A document containing the names and other biographical details of the organizations which, before December 6, 2012, requested accreditation at the Twenty-Third Session of the Committee is annexed to this document. Applicants were invited to complete an application form and the biographical details of the organizations contained in the Annex are set out exactly as received from each organization.

3. *The Committee is invited to approve the accreditation of the organizations referred to in the Annex to this document as ad hoc observers.*

[Annex follows]

ORGANIZATIONS WHICH HAVE REQUESTED ACCREDITATION AS OBSERVERS IN  
SESSIONS OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

Association Guinéo-Maghrébine pour la promotion économique et culturelle  
(*Guinean-Maghreb Association for Economic and Cultural Promotion*) (AGUIMAG)

Association Tayafout

Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement (ANFD) (*New Dawn for Women and  
Development*) (NDWD)

Cameroun Terre Nouvelle (*Cameroon New Earth*)

Consejo de Ayllus y Markas de Cochabamba (*Cochabamba Council of Ayllus and Markas*)  
(COAMAC)

Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunes, Comunitarias, Indígenas y Campesinas  
de la República de Colombia (REDCOMUINCACOL)

Kuru Family of Organisations (Custodian Unit)

Moanoghar

Organización de la Nación Aymara (*Aymara Nation Organization*) (ONA)

*Società Italiana per la Museografia e i Beni Demoetnoantropologici* (SIMBDEA)

The London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Law (LSE)

The National Association for Consumer Protection and Promotion of Programs and  
Strategies from Romania (ANPCPPS)

Association Guinéo-Maghrébine pour la promotion économique et culturelle  
(Guinean-Maghreb Association for Economic and Cultural Promotion) (AGUIMAG)

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Yours sincerely,

Mr. Alpha Amadou Bah

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(Name and Signature of Representative)

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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

Association Guinéo-Maghrébine pour la promotion économique et culturelle  
(*Guinean-Maghreb Association for Economic and Cultural Promotion*) (AGUIMAG)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

The *Guinean-Maghreb Association for Economic and Cultural Promotion* (AGUIMAG) is a national non-governmental organization (NGO) under Guinean law, set up at the initiative of Guineans from public, social and university institutions, and who have acquired experience in various areas of development and cooperation

AGUIMAG was officially approved and registered under Order No. 497/MATD/CAB/SERPROMA of January 2, 2011 by the Ministry of Territorial Administration and Decentralization. The initiative to create this Association meets the needs of expanding cooperation and solidarity at the cultural and economic level between the peoples of the Maghreb and Guinea.

From the operational and administrative point of view, AGUIMAG is run by three bodies which are:

- the General Assembly, consisting of all the members of the Association, is the supervisory and decision-making authority;
- the Administrative Council is the executive authority consisting of seven elected members for a renewable two-year term of office; and
- the Auditor's Office responsible for settling liabilities should the Association be dissolved.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- the aim of AGUIMAG is to promote and strengthen economic and cultural cooperation between Guinea and the countries of the Maghreb.

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General purpose:

- to promote social, economic and cultural exchanges.

Promotion-related aims:

In cultural and artistic terms:

- instigate and organize sporting, cultural and artistic weeks in Guinea and the Maghreb;
- organize itinerant festivals and carnivals;
- organize holiday camps for young school children; and
- promote and develop ecotourism through the organization of a media-based awareness-raising campaign and also trips and visits to historical sites.

In economic terms:

- promote and develop exchanges of commercial and agricultural products between producers and operators in the Maghreb and Guinea through the organization of fairs and art exhibitions.

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- the main activities are essentially cultural and economic; and can be summarized as:
  - art and sport (festival and carnival);
  - ecotourism;
  - holiday camps; and
  - economic, artistic and commercial fairs and exhibitions.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee  
(Maximum 150 words)

The aims of AGUIMAG coincide with some of WIPO's aims in the sense that our Association takes the initiative to instigate and organize cultural exchanges in the form of cultural weeks, festivals and itinerant carnivals in Guinea and the Maghreb.

The organization of such activities is in the form of gatherings of broad and diverse artistic and cultural expressions by communities with different cultures. Both the coming together and the solidarity of peoples are noble ambitions, just as the protection of artistic and cultural works produced by artists is important for the survival of their activities. In view of this concern, we request your support in guiding us by means of:

- support and advice;
- our participation in WIPO's work as an observer will of course open up to us a form of enrichment through new experiences and sharing with several actors in the sector.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Most of the Association's activities are undertaken in Guinea, Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia and Mauritania.

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant  
(maximum 150 words)

The exercise of these activities aims to promote cooperation and solidarity but also bringing the peoples of the Maghreb together through culture and economic integration in the short term; in the long run, the Association aims to expand cooperation to other African peoples.

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Alpha Amadou BAH, President

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Yours sincerely,

Tayeb Takhzant

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(Representative name and signature)

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BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

Full name of the Organization:

Association Tayafout (*Tayafout Association*)

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Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

Cultural and human rights association, set up in 2012 and based in Dcheira, a suburb of Agadir.

Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- preserve the Amazigh (berber) heritage;
- encourage studies and research on the ground with regard to Amazigh (berber) culture;
- defend the linguistic and cultural rights of Amazighs (berbers) in accordance with international law; and
- initiate training on cultural rights;

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- participation in the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues in New York, May 2012;
- initiation to ahwach (berber traditional dance) for young schoolchildren;
- awareness-raising campaign in relation to linguistic and cultural rights;
- organization of an Ahwach evening with the participation of several dance troupes from Anti and the High Atlas.

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The link lies in the fact that our Association works to preserve the berber heritage in the South of Morocco, the folklore of which occupies a prominent position.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Morocco

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words).

The accreditation of our Association to participate as an observer will make a good contribution insofar as this participation will serve to improve our knowledge and our experience in relation to issues concerning the heritage and the intellectual property inherent therein.

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Yours sincerely,

Mr. Crispin Swedi Bilombele /Executive Coordinator

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Aube nouvelle pour la femme et le développement (ANFD) (New Dawn for Women and Development) (NDWD)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

ANFD, non-profit NGO was founded in 1997, at the Province of South Kivu territory of UVIRA in the Eastern part of Dem. Republic of Congo (DRC). We work with indigenous groups marginalized such as women and youth in the areas of to contribute to the values of the respect property. To promoting and strengthening the cooperation between indigenous community based organizations and other local indigenous communities which have a vital role to play in intellectual property and development given to their knowledge of local culture.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

Contribute to the promotion of the intellectual property in the conservation heritage through (communication/information and training) with the local indigenous committee for the benefit of futures generations.

Our global goals are:

- social assistance, and cultural promotion;
- collaborating with these communities in the achievement of sustainable development;
- collecting information in technological rights and conservation with the aim of distributing it through local community in the country in this purpose ANFD has available a centre of documentation open to the general public at the small city of UVIRA;
- raising awareness on intellectual property (education, sensitization);
- promote the indigenous (Women, Youth, Child) on musical and artistic works, in films, etc.;
- promote gender equality and empower women;
- develop a global partnership for harmonious development;
- ensure protection of the Environment;

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- defense of human rights;
- supervision of youth through socio-economic activities; and
- promotion of intercultural dialogue.

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

Contribute to the promotion of cultural heritage for local traditional cultural expression (communication / information and training).

Strengthening and empowering communities with local indigenous knowledge to make informed decisions on case management on intellectual property issues relating to their values and goals of sustainable development.

Capacity building mutual reflection on youth social exchanges through cultural activities such as music, sketch, football, cocktail and agape common in order to effectively fight against stigma in our communities.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee  
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- it is our first time to apply this application form for full accreditation and we are confident that we will always work together.

We are interested to issues in the discussion because:

- will allow contributing and improving my capacity and will allow us to promote the values of propriety intellectually in the area;
- share the same interest with other participants;
- to improve the exchange of information between the basic organization and capacity building in the field of intellectual property resource management at the local and national;
- be involved in networking with other participants, policy makers of intellectual property;
- participate in meetings in collaboration with other delegates, to share and exchange knowledge on intellectual property resource; and
- prepare our action plan to intellectual property resources and be involved in the network and make a difference in the lives of future generations.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Dem. Republic of Congo (DRC)

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant  
(maximum 150 words)

Intellectual property as a fundamental principle shared by all countries and whose knowledge is not enough known in our local environment.

Activities of public awareness, the training program is essential to the study plan for training program topics such as project planning in the management of intellectual property issues for cultural heritage in our community based.

It is necessary to provide these communities with the means to take well-informed decisions concerning the management of issues relating to intellectual property, which correspond to their values and development objectives.

Intensive practical training allows the acquisition of document-related techniques and archiving skills, as required for effective community-based conservation of the cultural heritage.

Project planning, ethics, digital archiving methods, documentation techniques and the design and management of databases.

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Edmond Patrick Assila  
President-Founder

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### Full name of the Organization:

Cameroun Terre Nouvelle (*Cameroon New Earth*) / ECOSOC NGO

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

Cameroun Terre Nouvelle (*Cameroon New Earth*) is an apolitical not-for-profit youth association in Cameroon for the defense of human rights and freedoms, the promotion of the culture of peace, dialogue between the different cultural and ethnic forces on which our country is based and the fight against poverty.

Faced with a world where more than ever inequalities are now denounced on all continents and in Cameroon, where human beings are now considered only in terms of the economic benefit they may bring, we are concerned with building, together with the individuals in our districts, through such individuals and for them, a force in society which reverses this trend, on the basis of non-violence and solidarity as a methodology for action.

In the final analysis, this movement is defined not by specific political action, or even social action or cultural activity, but a series of ideas and a style of behavior in the light of social justice which we are seeking and the responsible management of common property.

We are based at Yaoundé III and our association is governed by Law No. 90/053 of December 19, 1990.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- we are striving to build, with the people and for the people, a force in society which reverses the trend according to which human beings are considered only for the purposes of economic benefit;
- investing in human beings as a central value and concern;
- affirming the equality of all human beings;
- recognizing cultural diversity;
- affirming the equality of all human beings, the freedoms of ideas and beliefs, in short all forms of freedom;

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- rejecting all forms of violence and discrimination; and
- eradicating poverty for the most impoverished populations.

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- self-organization of persons in order to resolve social disputes and develop local projects and initiatives;
- develop community projects for the benefit of under-privileged children and the most impoverished populations in the fields of health (creation and maintenance of existing medical structures), education (development and creation of reliable educational structures), culture (organization of inter-ethnic meetings in order to strengthen and form constructive links for cooperation between the nationals of different communities and cultures, and organize seminars, conferences and campaigns in order to denounce all forms of discrimination), sport (organization of inter-ethnic sports meetings based on friendship and dialogue);
- fight to maintain existing road infrastructures;
- creation of a Community journal; and
- creation of a culture center which will promote dialogue and exchanges between the different cultures and will denounce the different forms of discrimination.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee (Maximum 150 words)

We aim better to promote the development of our activities, ideals and actions both at the national and international levels with the use of the international intellectual property system and the means available to it.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Cameroon

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words)

The Association "Cameroun Terre Nouvelle" (*Cameroon New Earth*) has Special Consultative Status to the United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and is a member of the "Swiss village NGO" (which also has United Nations ECOSOC status), the "Associations of Francophonie" group and "humanist international".

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Consejo de Ayllus y Markas de Cochabamba (*Cochabamba Council of Ayllus and Markas*) (COAMAC)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

The Consejo de Ayllus y Markas de Cochabamba (*Cochabamba Council of Ayllus and Markas*), Suyu Sura Aransaya, is an organization of indigenous authorities of Ayllus and Markas in the Department of Cochabamba, which includes the provinces of Bolívar, Tapacarí, Ayopapa and Sipe Sipe located in the Andean region of the Department of Cochabamba. Prior to colonization, this series of provinces belonged to the indigenous territory of the Sura Indigenous Nation, Aransaya group.

Among the Ayllus of Cochabamba, as with the other indigenous peoples originating in Bolivia, the different processes of destruction and submission have persisted since colonial times, up to the Republican era. In 1952, the fragmentation and colonization of the original indigenous peoples penetrated deep into the final structures of the Ayllus and, from the 1980s and 1990s onwards, the indigenous authorities once again reorganized themselves in order to retrieve their ancestral lands, their culture, forms of organization and representation, using International Labour Organization Convention 169 as an instrument, and for a number of years, the indigenous authorities and leaders worked hard to disseminate their rights, in search of parts of the fragmented territory and promoting reorganization in territorial and organizational terms.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

#### Vision:

- reconstitute the Ayllus and Markas in the Department of Cochabamba in order to promote the full exercise of economic, social, cultural, political and territorial rights so as to live prosperously.

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**Mission:**

- recover and practice the values and principles of the Ayllu social model;
- defend the right to the earth and territory, self-government and free determination;
- safeguard biodiversity which is being affected by the changes to the environment and climatic changes; and
- educate and train young men and women with a constructive and prepositive vision of the Ayllu.

**Main activities of the Organization:** (Please use a bulleted list)

- reconstitution and strengthening of the Ayllus and Markas for the full exercise of their collective rights;
- return of the original authority to the Ayllus and Markas for the full exercise of self-government and free determination;
- defense of territory, natural resources, biodiversity and the environment in accordance with the Political Constitution of the Plurinational State and international conventions;
- make the implementation of indigenous territorial management viable;
- guarantee the enforcement of the rights of native indigenous peoples, as enshrined in the Constitution;
- political participation which is representative in the corresponding areas and in accordance with uses and customs; and
- social and cultural policies: founding of an indigenous university, promotion of intercultural education, indigenous health with security and food sovereignty.

**Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee** (Maximum 150 words)

The Council of Government of the Ayllus and Markas of Cochabamba has a wealth of social, economic and cultural resources within its communities, but currently runs the risk that any external organization may patent as its own the music or dress of the various indigenous peoples originating from the Department of Cochabamba, and it is therefore in the Council's interest to participate in this Organization to ensure that the wealth of the Ayllus and Markas of the Department of Cochabamba is protected.

**Country in which the Organization is primarily active:**

In Bolivia, specifically indigenous communities originating from the Tapacarí and Bolívar provinces at present.

**Additional Information:**

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Yours sincerely,

Alba Lucia Castañeda Velez

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(Representative Name and Signature)

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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunales, Comunitarias, Indígenas y Campesinas de la República de Colombia (*National Network Corporation of Communal, Community, Indigenous and Peasant Women of the Republic of Colombia*) (REDCOMUINCACOL)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

The Corporación Red Nacional de Mujeres Comunales, Comunitarias, Indígenas y Campesinas de la República de Colombia (*National Network Corporation of Communal, Community, Indigenous and Peasant Women of the Republic of Colombia*) (REDCOMUINCACOL) has Registration Number 0900039169-1, issued by the Chamber of Commerce of la Guajira, as a not-for-profit body. We have representatives in various departments in Colombia, with a main office in Riohacha Guajira, and the MAIN headquarters in the city of Pereira, by statutory decision. We have provided advice on the setting-up of Community Enterprises for Rural Women, Agricultural Workers, Associations of Community Aqueducts, Cooperatives of Craftsmen, Women's Associations, Sports Clubs and Associations of Displaced Persons. We have also organized and provided training, assistance and advice on, *inter alia*, the environment, biodiversity, human rights, leadership, participation of citizens and communities, development projects, public relations and, above all, we give lectures on women's rights, the environment, biodiversity, human rights, and the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- promote appropriate participation for women in the processes of participatory democracy, in the exercise and building of citizenship, participatory planning, institutional development and social control, and also to require compliance with the provisions of the laws in force for women, young children, groups of senior citizens, ethnicities, religions, environment, biodiversity, anthropological, geographical and vulnerable populations groups, and give momentum to and facilitate processes which lead to the well-being and development of women in general;

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- disclose, promote and monitor the exercise of the human, fundamental and environmental rights enshrined in the Constitution and the law;
- organize community women in order to defend their rights and aspirations, develop training events on equity and gender, work on development plans so that the budgets include resources, programs and projects to cater for their needs in accordance with their rights and especially for women who are the head of the family, widows and orphans of the violence in Colombia;
- exercise, in accordance with the constitutional guarantees, the right of demonstration and political participation for women, in accordance with the rules governing the matter for social organizations; and
- develop processes for the recovery, recreation and promotion of the different cultural, recreational and sporting events for women and within their community.

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- organization, training, dissemination and awareness-raising for women in the community regarding knowledge of their rights, and opportunities they have as a result of State laws, by means of workshops, lectures and teaching material;
- provide women with social assistance where they require it in order to carry out their activities as regards the aims of the body, and logistical and social support;
- provide women with advice and technical and social assistance where they require it, in accordance with the fulfillment of the body's aims;
- provide permanent guidance for women associated with the aims of the Network, in achieving benefits established in the laws in force in Colombia (case of assistance for subsidies and State benefits); and
- we work together with them in order to obtain benefits and to investigate development opportunities for them in the State programs and in the drawing-up of production projects for their well-being and development.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee (Maximum 150 words)

Intellectual property, genetic resources and traditional knowledge are extremely important for our organization, since the Network consists of women from the rural sphere in Colombia, with ancestral traditions and knowledge, located in different departments of Colombia, some of whom belong to ethnic groups and others to local communities in rural areas, where they are the guardians of our biodiversity, messengers of peace and progress with high social and cultural values, since they are women who protect their family nucleus, agricultural workers and conservers of native species on their particular plots and in places of work, a factor which we must promote in the conservation and maintenance of our family nuclei and in the environmental and genetic resources in their respective places of social and economic settlement, with certain special resources for the conservation of life on earth, our future generations and taking into account the deterioration to which our environment is subject each day, owing to a lack of empowerment for this population of great importance to our milieu, with their families, husbands, sons, brothers, fathers and, in general, with young people linked in their communities promoting the development which we require for the improvement of our environment and compliance with the objectives outlined in United Nations international instruments including agreements and conventions.



Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Colombia

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words).

I participated in 2003 as an observer in the Working Group on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as Representative of the Environmental Corporation BLADES OF GRASS.

I participated as the Legal Representative of the Network in an event of the Preparatory Meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the Convention on Biological Diversity in Asunción, Paraguay, and there set up the Network of Local Communities for Latin America, the Caribbean and Island Territories for the Convention on Biological Diversity.

With the Network, I have participated in various events of the Spanish Cooperation organization as its Legal Representative.

The Network has provided fundamental support for vulnerable women, to whom we give assistance and guidance, and it is very important for us to be known and supported through participation at WIPO.

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Name of Organization Representative and Title:

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Kuru Family of Organisations (Custodian Unit)

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Yours sincerely,

Jobe Morris

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(Name and Signature of Representative)

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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

Kuru Family of Organisations (Custodian Unit)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

Kuru Family of Organizations is to develop a network of modern and professional development organizations with competent and responsible San leadership facilitating a development process with marginalized communities to independently make informed decisions and to implement their own viable response to their situation. Kuru established a Custodian Unit, a project whose sole mandate is to document Intellectual Property and the capturing of the values for leadership enhancement and cultural identification of the San Peoples across Southern Africa. In search of those fundamental san values, its aim is to identify ways that can enable the San to practice their cultures without remaining behind the fast moving world, therefore, to find ways and means that can bring the two different civilizations in balance and harmony. The role of the Custodian Unit, *inter-alia*, is also to identify, through their geographical differences and influence, genetic resources of the San groups.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- empowering the San by means of social and economic justice;
- develop and maintain education programs for the san students;
- develop opportunities for the San to acquire commercial farming syndicates;
- promote cultural activities, by means of an annual cultural dance festival, and enable participation of different San groups across Southern Africa.

### Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- interrogate developmental paradigm of the National institution;
- empowering the San for social and economic justice;
- Custodian Unit is to mediate and bring peace within family organizations;

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- capturing and mapping traditionally occupied land of the San in Botswana; and
- investigating Values of the san as tool of leadership and governance influence with the concept of egalitarianism.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee (Maximum 150 words)

Under Letloa, a member of Kuru Family of Organisations, the Custodian unit is projected to document the genetic resources of the San and ultimately their cultural expressions. For decades other people have used the rock art of San ancestors to decorate brochures, tourist trinkets and the walls of exclusive game lodges; a market which San never benefit. Coffee table book photographs and documentary film footage often represent the hunter-gatherers of southern Africa as isolated, autonomous, and affluent in the riches of nature, but San have been oppressed, exploited and even hunted for hundreds of years.

The Custodian Unit desires to assist the San to require specific assistance so that they can regain and preserve their cultural heritage and enjoy free access to their traditional lands. Continued damage to the environment threatens their survival. WIPO meetings will give light to our discourse.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Botswana

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words)

Contemporary southern African hunter-gatherer/ San communities rarely benefit from the marketing of their images, artefacts, metaphors and sounds. As San, we need to challenge the images and myths we so readily claim to be from our ancestors and move beyond our own sentimentality. As we move to the stolen rhythms of our decadent trance dance culture, we must reflect on what we are really doing. In the process of trying to revive the humanity of our spiritually diminishing society, let us allow the trance to extend our awareness beyond the circle of dance, beyond our desires and solemn statements, and let us become truly vulnerable to those voices and rhythms that cry out for the healing of our world and join them with peace and solidarity for the indigenous discourse.

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Ashok Kumar Chakma

(Name and Signature of Representative)

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BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

Full name of the Organization:

Moanoghar

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Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

Moanoghar is situated in Rangamati District in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT), south-east part of Bangladesh. The main focus of Moanoghar's work is on providing formal education to indigenous children in the CHT. Moanoghar currently provides schooling to more than 1,100 children from class 2 through to class 10 and the Secondary School Certificate (SSC) examinations. The students of Moanoghar reflect the rich cultural diversity of the CHT with students coming from most of the different indigenous groups in the CHT.

Moanoghar provides education to children from the remote and deprived indigenous communities in the CHT – focusing on areas where children have little or no access to formal education. Of its 1,100 current students, 518 are residential, with the remainder living in the local community.

Alongside education, Moanoghar represents cultural diversity of all indigenous peoples in the CHT. Moanoghar through its journal 'Moanokadha' publishes stories, legends, and literary works by indigenous authors and artists.

Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- to provide general and vocational education and primary health care to indigenous poor, orphan and destitute children of CHT;
- to establish educational institutions to impart general education to the children;
- to contribute in social, religious, educational, cultural and economic development of the indigenous people of CHT;
- to undertake programs of public welfare and to inculcate the idea of universal solidarity and peace among the peoples in CHT and Bangladesh;
- to eradicate illiteracy and initiate income generating and employment projects for the people of CHT;

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- to eliminate the root cause of poverty and offer the people their righteous shares in the resources of the society; and
- to establish cultural institutions for the development of indigenous cultures such as music school, arts school, ethnological museum etc.

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

Since its establishment Moanoghar has been implementing various programs. However, the key focus of its activities remains on providing education to the most deprived and marginalised indigenous children in the Chittagong Hill Tracts of Bangladesh. It also has been working on promoting cultural diversity of indigenous peoples. At present, Moanoghar has been implementing following activities:

*Education to indigenous children:*

Since its establishment Moanoghar has been running a residential school with accommodation facilities for indigenous children from eleven indigenous groups in the CHT of Bangladesh. It receives students from class I through to Class X.

Apart from general education, Moanoghar offers courses on different trades of vocational education such as handloom, sewing, carpentry and basic computer literacy. For weaving, usually indigenous handicrafts and designs are used, and knowledge and skills for weaving are passed on new generation (students) through training.

*Indigenous language teaching centre:*

Through this Centre, children are taught indigenous languages alongside their curriculums. At present students of Moanoghar are taught two indigenous languages – Chakma and Mro.

Apart from teaching indigenous languages, Moanoghar has a plan to establish a modern language centre.

*Publication of Magazines:*

Moanoghar publishes magazines, where research articles on indigenous issues, stories, plays and folksongs of indigenous peoples are contributed by indigenous authors and students.

*Moanoghar IT Education Centre:*

Moanoghar has an IT education lab with 25 PCs and other accessories. Children are taught basic computer lessons as part of their regular school curriculums. In addition, special IT courses are offered to the young people from the neighbouring communities during week-end with minimum fees.

*Income generating activities:*

Moanoghar has undertaken a few income generating activities that include poultry, dairy and fish farm, bee keeping, mushrooms, vegetable orchards, mixed fruits' tree plantation and afforestation in and around the campus and on lands owned by Moanoghar.



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The main focus of Moanoghar is education – primary to secondary levels, however, it also works on protecting and promoting cultural diversity of indigenous peoples in CHT. As part of promoting cultural diversity, it publishes research articles on indigenous cultures, art and music, literature. As the organization accommodates students from different indigenous communities, Moanoghar through its music school teaches indigenous music, songs and dances. On different occasions, especially during the Boisuk-Sangrai-Biju (new year) festival, we organise cultural events that create an opportunity to display and share the richness of cultural diversity of indigenous peoples in the CHT.

We believe that the organization should be aware of the importance of intellectual property rights related to indigenous arts, designs, music and other cultural resources. Therefore, we are interested to participate at the international forum in order enhance capacity. At the same time, the organization will be able to raise the issues and experiences of indigenous peoples with regards to protection of cultural and genetic resources used by indigenous peoples.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Moanoghar is based in Rangamati.

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Yours sincerely,

Maximo Justo Flores Títalo  
President of the Organization of the Aymara Nation - ONA

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### Full name of the Organization:

Organización de la Nación Aymara (*Aymara Nation Organization*) (ONA)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

The Organización de la Nación Aymara (*Aymara Nation Organization*) – ONA, was set up on November 6, 1992, in the Auditorium of the National University of Altiplano (UNA), Puno, Peru, during the holding of the First Congress of Amawt'as of Tawantinsuyu, with delegated representatives from Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Chile.

ONA is recognized as a body with Special Consultative Status within the United Nations High Commission for Human Rights of the Economic and Social Council, under Rs. G/SO 234 (18-5) of October 15, 1996.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- empowerment and enhancement of traditional culture and knowledge;
- a balanced and fair society;
- reversal of all forms of poverty;
- equality of rights;
- equality of opportunities; and
- peace with social justice.

### Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- bilingual, intra and intercultural education proposed for communities, marginal urban sectors and indigenous nations of Amazonia, with a specific curricular structure, based on traditional knowledge and the advance of modern science;
- Binational and Virtual Aymara Indigenous University project;
- establishment of a Natural Medicine Center for the training of young people of both sexes;

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- reforestation with species of Andean and native trees in the basins of Lake Titicaca, Lake Poopó, Umayo and natural parks of Amazonia, for the purpose of improving the environment and establishing microclimates;
- genetic enhancement of color alpaca and health control in the high Andean areas; together with improvement of soils and natural pastures;
- genetic improvement of potato seeds and the germplasm bank;
- biological control of pests through the laboratory production of fungi;
- legal rights of indigenous peoples; the Office provides guidance, training and support free of charge on all the agrarian problems and indigenous rights in accordance with the documents issued by the United Nations Human Rights Council;
- indigenous film and video project program;
- reconstruction, reactivation, support and protection of the ceremonial centers existing in the communities which are commonly referred to as archaeological ruins and/or centers;
- setting-up of museums in communities;
- Annual International Meeting of the Aymara Nation (Peru, Bolivia, Chile and Argentina) at the Desaguadero international bridge (Peru and Bolivia), June 21 (Aymara New Year), held since 2002.

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WIPO is important for us, since in the countries where we live we are not respected, for those countries we do not exist, and through their national laws, they exploit our archaeological resources, such as Macchu Picchu in Peru (now one of the seven wonders of the world), and the Peruvian State sells to foreigners surrounding areas for hotel purposes etc. Our ancestors built this wonder of the world and we are excluded, we continue to be impoverished, and the same thing is happening with Tíwanaku in Bolivia, just as it is with our other intellectual resources.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Peru and Bolivia.

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words).

Our historical monuments which archaeologists refer to as “archaeological remains” are being pillaged and destroyed by the same archaeologists and others, with official credentials of the State-Nation in which they live, and the same thing is happening with ceramics, fabrics, musical instruments, literary creation, music, feather art, painting etc.

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Vito Lattanzi

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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

*Società Italiana per la Museografia e i Beni Demotnoantropologici (SIMBDEA)*

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

*SIMBDEA* was founded in 2001, and it is the Italian national association of museum and heritage anthropology scholars and professionals engaged in researching, enhancing and promoting tangible and intangible anthropological heritage.

In 2005, *SIMBDEA* joined the permanent network of Italian national organizations active in the field of heritage organized by ICOM-Italy, and denominated “*Conferenza permanente delle associazioni museali italiane*” (Permanent Conference of Italian Museum Organizations). Within such network, *SIMBDEA* collaborated to draft the “*Carta nazionale delle professioni museali*” (National Chart of Museum Professions), which provides a model for the productive employment and organization of museum staff.

In 2010, *SIMBDEA* was accredited to provide advisory services to UNESCO’s Intergovernmental Committee for the Safeguarding of Intangible Cultural Heritage. The organization promotes exhibitions, public action, conferences and publications, especially through the specialized journal titled “*Antropologia Museale*”, founded in 2002.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- promote and host reflections on anthropological heritage and on the museum as a site for public debate, dialogue, cultural production, and intercultural education;
- promote events aimed at the full recognition and development of anthropological heritage within the national and international legislation;
- safeguard anthropological heritage within museums and on the territory, through careful monitoring of the relevant actions of public and private institutions;
- develop and consolidate academic and professional anthropological knowledge and know-hows to be applied to the museum and heritage settings;
- promote the recognition and respect of the heritage of diverse cultures, as well as of

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- cultural diversity within our societies, as essential elements of our common roots; and
- advocate for the right to cultural diversity and for healthy and fair multicultural societies

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- monitor, research on, analyze, and advise on national and international ethnographic museography;
- promote and collaborate to national and international seminars and conferences, courses, and exhibitions;
- monitor, research on, analyze, and advise on international conventions on cultural diversity and heritage and the related processes of heritage construction; and
- disseminate information (through scholarly publications as well as on the internet, through the organization's website: [www.simbdea.it](http://www.simbdea.it)) on the key contemporary issues involving heritage, cultural diversity, and citizenship.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee (Maximum 150 words)

SIMBDEA researches on and advocates for the rights of cultures that are usually marginalized within the European society. The "special" character of anthropological heritage, for the most part enlisted as "intangible", requires special attention, as far as rights of property are concerned. The history of the relations between Europe and the cultures that have interested traditional anthropology, in fact, is full of instances of appropriation of other peoples' ideas and elements of material culture. Many of our museums are testimonies of such history. Our contemporary sensibility towards the rights of what used to be called our "informants" requires we focus our attention on the relationships that our research practices and museographic representations give way to, and develop and awareness on (as well as contribute to develop) the international legal instruments that may protect the rights of the objects, and co-owners, of our representations.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Italy

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Dear Traditional Knowledge Division,

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Yours sincerely,

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Application Form for Accreditation as *Ad Hoc* Observer to the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore<sup>1,2</sup>

## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

The London School of Economics and Political Science, Department of Law (LSE)

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### Description of the Organization: (Maximum 150 words)

Since the foundation of the LSE just over a century ago, the study of law has been an integral part of the School's mission. The Law Department's special place in a school of social sciences has given legal studies in the Law Department a distinctive, interdisciplinary character. The Law Department has played a major role in policy debates and policy-making and in the education of lawyers and law teachers from around the world. It enjoys a uniquely cosmopolitan student body, and has deeply influenced legal education in most common law countries. Staff and students in the Law Department come from all over the world, and bring to the Law Department an unparalleled international and interdisciplinary outlook in teaching and research. The Law Department has been at the forefront of new fields of study, and many important subjects were first taught and examined systematically from an academic perspective at the LSE.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- the Law Department is concerned with research, development and training in all areas of the law, including intellectual property and related policy areas; and
- drawing on the established strengths of the Department of Law, the Department of Anthropology and other social disciplines, the Law Department aims to develop cross-cultural and interdisciplinary perspectives on law, through offering postgraduate programs such as MSc. Law, Anthropology and Society.

### Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

The Law Department's main activities include the research, development and training in all areas of the law, including intellectual property and related policy areas.

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Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, Including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee: (Maximum 150 words)

The Law Department is concerned with research, development and training in all areas of intellectual property law, including the three major IP sub-areas of copyright, patents and trademarks, as well as interdisciplinary programs focusing on law and anthropology, media law and regulation, information technology law and regulation, cultural property and heritage law, and the “global bio-economies” in which forms of intellectual property right now function.

The interdisciplinary character of the Law Department allows it to offer degree courses which combine law and related social studies, including the MSc. Law, Anthropology and Society program, where postgraduate students are engaged in the discussion and research of, among other topics, intellectual property law and traditional knowledge, genetic resources, indigenous rights, traditional cultural expressions and cultural heritage.

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

The Law Department is based in the United Kingdom, and legal research undertaken at the Law Department cover areas throughout the world and issues involving international interest and concern.

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## BIOGRAPHICAL DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT ORGANIZATION

### Full name of the Organization:

The National Association for Consumer Protection and Promotion of Programs and Strategies from Romania (ANPCPPS) (*Asociatia Nationala pentru Protectia Consumatorilor si Promovarea Programelor si Strategiilor din Romania*) (ANPCPPS)

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### Description of the Organization: (maximum 150 words)

ANPCPPS Romania was founded in 2003 to meet the needs of consumers in Romania. It has become member of ANEC – European consumer voice in standardization, EAEA – European Association for Education of Adults, ICRT – International Consumer Research & Testing, full member of Consumer International and member of GRUP DPI – Romanian Working Group on Intellectual Property – (a public partnership between state institutions and authorities, authors/creator's associations, NGO's and private companies, concerned about intellectual property, copyright and fair trade.

ANPCPPS Romania – concerned in transforming the attitude of Romanian citizens from passive to active, from indifferent to educated and informed on topics related to a person's well being on short and long term, through campaigns and programs in various fields such as: consumer protection, labeling, nutrition, financial services and products, environmental protection and sustainable consumption, protection of human endeavor, intellectual property rights.

### Main aims and objectives of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- to represent consumers and their interest in their actions before private companies and state authorities;
- to inform consumers about their rights and quality standards;
- to protect consumers' legitimate rights and interests aware of the rights they have to develop programs and projects in order to achieve these objectives;
- to encourage fair competition;
- to promote real values and culture;
- to fight against fraud and counterfeiting;

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- to protect intellectual property rights, genuine products, copyright and patents; and
- to support sustainable development

Main activities of the Organization: (Please use a bulleted list)

- setting up Consumers' Information and Consultancy Centers in all countries and carrying on continuous activities in the area of consumers' education and information;
- active involvement in the fight against counterfeits;
- national partner in the European projects DOLCETA and Europe Diary;
- founding member of the first Federation of consumers' protection organizations from Romania;
- accreditation at the Romanian Parliament – Chamber of Deputies for the works of the Specialized Boards;
- setting up the first master course in the area of consumers' protection in cooperation with Faculty of Sociology and Social Assistance from Bucharest University;
- initiation of the introduction of consumer' protection classes in schools;
- development of several campaigns of education and information from several different areas of interest, carried on by broadcasting clips on most national televisions and radios, by dissemination of written materials and by organizing events at national and regional level;
- gathering national and international organizations and institutions under the aegis of the concept "Consumers' Protection – A New Attitude!"; and
- supporting the publication of specialized works.

Relationship of the Organization with intellectual property matters, including a full explanation of why you are interested in the issues under discussion by the Committee (Maximum 150 words)

In terms of protecting the human endeavor and the values of original products and works, ANPCPPS Romania started campaigns concerned about the correct labeling of products, the importance of applying a "quality mark" only on viable products, the importance of copyrights and trademarks.

ANPCPPS Romania is a member of GRUP DPI- Romanian Working Group on Intellectual Property- (a public partnership between state institutions and authorities, authors/creators' associations, NGO's and private companies, concerned about intellectual property, copyright and fair trade.

In the latest year, ANPCPPS Romania approached more thoroughly the matter of the intellectual property rights in terms of dialogue with official authorities, attending meetings on the subject and it produced its own campaign: "NU Pirateriei! NU Contrafacerii!" / "NO Piracy! NO Counterfeit!" with a kick-off event on the occasion of the "World Intellectual Property Day".

Country in which the Organization is primarily active:

Romania

Additional Information:

Please provide any additional information which you feel may be relevant (maximum 150 words)

The Campaign against piracy and counterfeit with the support of the GRUP DPI, involving the Romanian Police and the Romanian Gendarmerie, the National Customs Authority, the Romanian Border Police, the Court of Appeal, the State Office for Interventions and Trademarks, representatives of other associations protecting intellectual property and fighting piracy wishes to develop further meetings and manifestation in order to raise awareness with the help of state institutions from the highest to lowest rank for an interactive process.

Future involving of ANPCPPSR in activities on intellectual property need better support from all existing institution and entities concerned in this matter implying information and attendance of work meetings.

To reach its general and specific objectives ANPCPPSR issued Info Cons magazine offering information about quality, genuine quality of products and services on the market.

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