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PROVISIONAL program

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Thursday, November 24, 2016

08.30 am – 10.00 am Registration

10.00 am – 10.30 am **Opening Session**

Mr. Francis Gurry, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

10.30 am – 12.30 pm **Roundtable 1: Regional, National and Community Experiences Relevant to Identifying “Protectable Traditional Knowledge” at an International Level**

Moderator: Dr. Sharon B. Le Gall, Deputy Dean (Student Matters), Senior Lecturer, Attorney-at-Law, Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago

Speakers: Miss Lilyclaire Bellamy, Executive Director, Jamaica Intellectual Property Office, Ministry of Industry, Commerce, Agriculture and Fisheries, Jamaica

Mr. Andrés Valladolid, President, National Anti‑Biopiracy Commission, Peruvian National Institute for the Defense of Free Competition and the Protection of Intellectual Property (INDECOPI), Peru

Dr. Avanti Perera, Senior State Counsel, Attorney General’s Department, Sri Lanka

Ms. Madina Karmysheva, Head, Section for Selection Achievements and Traditional Knowledge, State Service of Intellectual Property and Innovation under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic (Kyrgyzpatent), Kyrgyz Republic

Mrs. Lucy Mulenkei, Member of the Maasai People, Kenya / Executive Director of the Indigenous Information Network, Kenya / Co‑Chair of the Indigenous Women’s Biodiversity Network and the African Indigenous Women’s Organization

Rapporteur: Mr. Reynald Veillard, Counselor, Permanent Mission of Switzerland to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva

Discussion

12.30 pm – 2.30 pmLunch break

2.30 pm – 5.00 pm **Roundtable 2: Perspectives on and Experiences with a “Tiered Approach” to the Protection of Traditional Knowledge - Scope of Protection and Exceptions and Limitations**

Moderator: Professor Daniel Kraus, Director, Centre for Intellectual Property and Innovation, University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland

Speakers: Mrs. Soledad de la Torre Bossano, National Director of Plant Varieties, Ecuadorian Institute of Intellectual Property, Ecuador

Mr. Chidi Oguamanam, Professor, Centre for Law, Technology and Society, Faculty of Law, University of Ottawa / TK Coordinator, Open African Innovation Research / Project Director, Access and Benefit-Sharing Canada, Canada

Ms. Miranda Risang Ayu Paler, Law Lecturer and Researcher, Faculty of Law, Padjadjaran University, Indonesia

Ms. ann Marie Chischilly, Executive Director, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals, Northern Arizona University, United States of America

Ms. Manisha Desai, Assistant General Patent Counsel, Eli Lilly and Company, United States of America

Rapporteur: Mr. Fayssal Allek, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland

Discussion

Friday, November 25, 2016

10.00 am – 10.45 am **Keynote address: Why and How to Protect Traditional Knowledge Internationally?**

Speaker: Dr. Marisella Ouma, Intellectual Property Consultant, Kenya

10.45 am – 1.00 pm **Roundtable 3: Complementary Measures and Customary Law for the Protection of Traditional Knowledge: Examples and Lessons Learned**

Moderator: Dr. Carolyn Deere Birkbeck, Senior Researcher, Global Economic Governance Programme, Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford, United Kingdom

Speakers: Dr. Ghazala Javed, Scientist-IV, International Cooperation, Ministry of Ayurveda, Yoga and Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy (AYUSH), India

Ms. Deborah Lashley-Johnson, IP Attaché, Permanent Mission of the United States to the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Ms. Silvia Leticia García Hernández, Registry of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Economic Affairs, Guatemala

Ms. Catherine Bunyassi Kahuria, Senior Principal State Counsel, International Law Division, Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice, Kenya

Mr. Rodrigo de la Cruz, Member of the Kichwa/Kayambi Peoples, Ecuador / Representative of Call of the Earth – *Llamado de la Tierra*

Rapporteur: Ms. Usana Berananda, Minister, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Thailand to the World Trade Organization (WTO)

Discussion

1.00 pm – 3.00 pmLunch break

3.00 pm – 5.30 pm **Roundtable 4: Perspectives on and Experiences with Other Issues: Sanctions and Remedies, Management of Rights, Term of Protection, Formalities, Transitional Measures, Relationship with other International Agreements, National Treatment and Transboundary Cooperation**

Moderator: Dr. Marisella Ouma

Speakers: Ms. Anna Vuopala, Government Counsellor, Department of Culture and Art Policy, Division of Copyright Policy and Economy of Culture, Ministry of Education and Culture, Finland

Dr. Sharon B. Le Gall

Ms. Timaima Vakadewabuka, Principal Legal Officer, Office of the Attorney-General, Republic of Fiji

Ms. ann Marie Chischilly

Rapporteur: Ms. Pilar Escobar, Counselor, Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations in Geneva

Discussion

5.30 pm – 6.00 pm **Concluding Remarks**

Mr. Minelik Getahun, Assistant Director General, Global Issues Sector, WIPO

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