

WIPO ICT Leadership Dialogue (WILD)

Second Session
Geneva, April 14 to 16, 2026

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Tuesday, April 14, 2026

09.00 – 10.00	Registration
10.00 – 10.10	Opening remarks Opening by Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, WIPO
10.10 – 10.50	Keynote speaker Insightful presentation by a thought leader on the current landscape and future direction of AI in intellectual property (IP), emphasizing the strategic importance of AI transformation in IP offices.
10.50 – 11.00	Updates from the first session of the WILD Updates to the next step actions discussed at the first session of WILD will be reported.
11.00 – 11.40	Theme 1: AI transformation strategy and policy Discussions on developing comprehensive AI strategies for IP offices, including the design and implementation of robust AI infrastructure to support scalable and sustainable AI solutions in the IP ecosystem.
11.40 – 12.00	Coffee break
12.00 – 12.40	Theme 1 (cont.): AI transformation strategy and policy
12.40 – 13.00	Wrap-up of Theme 1
13.00 – 15.00	Lunch break
15.00 – 16.10	Theme 2: AI-powered solutions for IP businesses Presentations by IP offices on AI tools currently in use, followed by an exploration of collaborative opportunities to further enhance IP services through AI innovation.
16.10 – 16.30	Coffee break
16.30 – 17.30	Theme 2 (cont.): AI-powered solutions for IP businesses
17.30 – 17.50	Wrap-up of Theme 2
17.50 – 18.00	Close of day 1
18.00	Group photo to be followed by reception

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

10.00 – 11.00	Theme 3: Data policy and data sharing In-depth discussions regarding the formulation of data policies, mechanisms for secure and effective data sharing, and the impact of these practices on innovation and international cooperation.
11.00 – 11.20	Coffee break
11.20 – 12.00	Theme 3 (cont.): Data policy and data sharing
12.00 – 12.20	Wrap-up of Theme 3
12.20 – 13.00	Guest speaker Featured guest speaker providing industry AI perspectives on data policy and governance, and how emerging technological trends can accelerate digital transformation within IP systems.
13.00 – 15.00	Lunch break
15.00 – 16.10	Breakout sessions Participants divide into groups to focus on selected critical topics. Each group discusses challenges, best practices and actionable recommendations. <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. <u>Information security</u>: Discuss governance, risk and resilience measures to safeguard IP data and services, including organizational readiness for cyber-incidents and supply-chain dependencies.2. <u>Digital solution architecture</u>: Explore high-level architectural principles and policies that support scalable, interoperable and future-ready IP services.3. <u>Application Programming Interfaces (APIs)</u>: Review organizational experiences with API adoption, including implementation challenges, organizational impact and role of internal and external APIs in service delivery.4. <u>Data quality management</u>: Discuss strategic approaches to improving data quality, including governance, validation practices and transitioning from unstructured to structured data.
16.10 – 16.30	Coffee break
16.30 – 17.50	Panel 1: Outcomes of breakout sessions Breakout groups share findings and suggestions, facilitating knowledge exchange and identifying cross-cutting issues for collective actions.
17.50 – 18.00	Close of day 2

Thursday, April 16, 2026

- 10.00 – 10.40 **Guest speaker**
- Featured guest speaker presenting industry best practices to assess organizational ICT maturity and how this can be beneficial for business development and improved service delivery.
- 10.40 – 11.20 **Theme 4: ICT maturity index for IP offices**
- Exploration of ICT maturity index models for IP offices, including practical approaches for applying the index in strategic planning and capacity building to advance digital readiness.
- 11.20 – 11.40 **Wrap-up of Theme 4**
- 11.40 – 12.00 Coffee break
- 12.00 – 12.40 **Theme 5: Digital harmonization and collaboration**
- Discussions on the importance of digital harmonization and collaboration among IP offices to ensure seamless exchange of information and efficient operations, including the strategic value of WIPO Standards for interoperability between IP offices' digital systems.
- 12.40 – 13.00 **Wrap-up of Theme 5**
- 13.00 – 15.00 Lunch break
- 15.00 – 15.50 **Theme 6: Digital talent and capability building for AI**
- Presentations on initiatives to upskill IT and IP professionals in AI, data management and cybersecurity, as well as collaborative programs to build digital capacity across member states.
- 15.50 – 16.10 **Wrap-up of Theme 6**
- 16.10 – 16.30 Coffee break
- 16.30 – 17.50 **Panel 2: Strengthening digital collaborations and key actions to be taken by IP offices and WIPO**
- Discussion on how IP offices and WIPO can deepen digital collaboration, share practical insights, and consolidate outcomes for key actions to be taken to collectively advance digital transformation across the IP community.
- 17.50 – 18.00 **Closing remarks**
- Closing by Mr. Ken-Ichiro Natsume, Assistant Director General, Infrastructure and Platforms Sector, WIPO

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