



C. N 3948

The Chair of the Coordination Committee of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Ambassador François Rivasseau, presents his compliments and has the honor to refer to Note C. N 3926, dated September 30, 2019, inviting candidates for nomination to the post of Director General of WIPO.

A copy of the letter from His Excellency Mr. Jorge Faurie, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Worship of the Republic of Argentina, received on November 20, 2019, proposing the candidacy of Dr. Dámaso Pardo for the said post is enclosed.

November 20, 2019

Enclosure: Letter of His Excellency Minister for Foreign Affairs  
and Worship of the Republic of Argentina



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The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Argentina to International Organizations in Geneva presents its compliments to the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and is pleased to attach hereto a note from the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Worship, His Excellency Jorge Faurie, addressed to the Chair of the WIPO Coordination Committee, Ambassador François Rivasseau.

The Government of Argentina government thereby nominates Mr. Damaso Pardo, President of the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) of the Republic of Argentina, as the national candidate for the election of the next Director General of WIPO, in accordance with the requirements contained in Note C. N. 3926 of September 30, 2019.

The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Argentina to the International Organizations in Geneva avails itself of this opportunity to reiterate to the World Intellectual Property Organization the assurances of its highest consideration.

Geneva, November 20, 2019



WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (WIPO)  
Geneva



Representación de la  
**República Argentina**  
Organismos Internacionales en Ginebra  
Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto

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La Misión Permanente de la República Argentina ante los Organismos Internacionales en Ginebra presenta sus atentos saludos a la Organización Mundial de la Propiedad Intelectual (OMPI), y tiene el agrado de adjuntar la Nota del Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto, Excmo. Sr. FAURIE Jorge, dirigida al presidente del Comité de Coordinación de la OMPI, Embajador RIVASSEAU François.

Mediante la mencionada comunicación el gobierno argentino postula al Sr. PARDO Dámaso, Presidente del Instituto Nacional de la Propiedad Industrial (INPI) de la República Argentina, como candidato nacional para la elección del próximo Director General de la OMPI, conforme requerimientos obrantes en Nota C. N. 3926 de 30 de septiembre de 2019.

La Misión Permanente de la República Argentina ante los organismos Internacionales en Ginebra aprovecha la oportunidad para reiterar a la Organización Mundial de la Propiedad Intelectual las seguridades de su más distinguida consideración.

Ginebra, 20 de noviembre de 2019



ORGANIZACIÓN MUNDIAL DE LA PROPIEDAD INTELECTUAL (OMPI)  
Ginebra

*Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Worship*

Buenos Aires, November 15, 2019

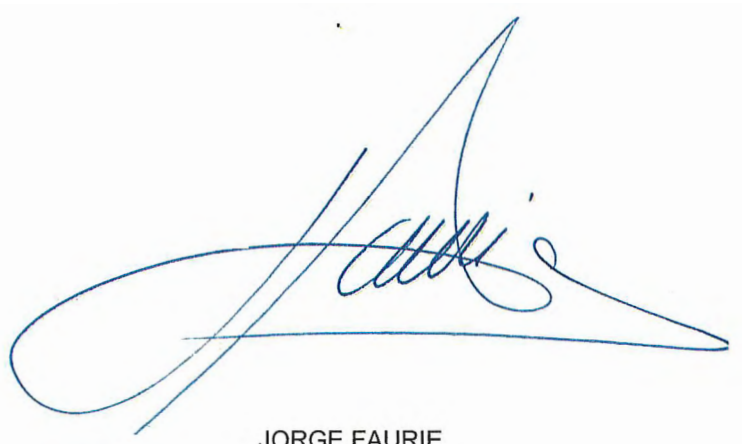
Chair,

Pursuant to the information provided in Note CN 3926 of September 30, 2019, it is my pleasure to write to you in connection with the election of the new Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization by the General Assembly at its next session in March 2020.

Accordingly, I am pleased to report that the Republic of Argentina has decided to nominate Dr. Dámaso Pardo, President of the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) and a seasoned professional in the field of intellectual property in both the private and public sectors.

As requested in Note CN 3926, the curriculum vitae of Dr. Pardo is attached to this introduction.

Yours sincerely,



JORGE FAIRIF  
Minister of Foreign Affairs and  
Worship

TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COORDINATION COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD  
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION  
AMB. FRANÇOIS RIVASSEAU  
GENEVA

*Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores y Culto*

Buenos Aires, 15 NOV 2019

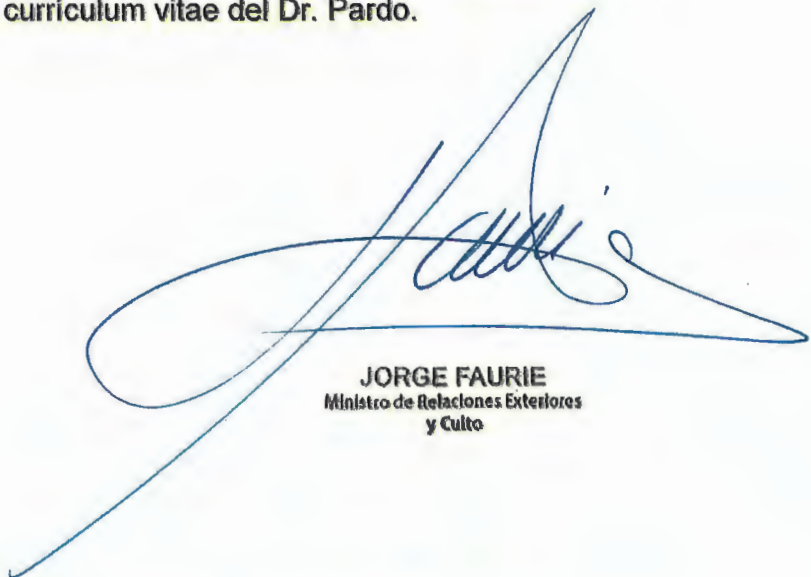
Señor Presidente:

Tengo el agrado de dirigirme a usted con relación a la elección del nuevo Director General de la Organización Mundial de la Propiedad Intelectual por parte de la Asamblea General en su próximo período de sesiones, que tendrá lugar en marzo de 2020, en virtud de lo informado por medio de la Nota de referencia CN 3926 de fecha 30 de septiembre de 2019.

Al respecto, me complace informar que la República Argentina ha resuelto postular a dicho cargo al Dr. Dámaso Pardo, Presidente del Instituto Nacional de la Propiedad Industrial (INPI) y profesional de importante trayectoria en el campo de la Propiedad Intelectual, tanto en el sector privado como público.

De acuerdo a lo solicitado en la comunicación CN 3926, se adjunta a la presente Nota de Presentación del curriculum vitae del Dr. Pardo.

Atentamente,



**JORGE FAURIE**  
Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores  
y Culto

**AL SEÑOR PRESIDENTE DEL COMITÉ DE COORDINACIÓN DE LA  
ORGANIZACIÓN MUNDIAL DE LA PROPIEDAD INTELECTUAL  
EMB. FRANÇOIS RIVASSEAU  
GINEBRA**



## Dámaso Pardo

*Dámaso A. Pardo was appointed President of the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI), the Argentine Patent and Trademark Office, in 2016.*

Mr. Pardo holds a law degree from the Argentine Catholic University (UCA, 1985), and earned a master's degree in Intellectual Property at the University of New Hampshire (formerly, Franklin Pierce Law Center), in 1990. He was a consultant at WIPO in Geneva, Switzerland, for a Mercosur project, between 1993 and 1994.

Before joining the public sector, Mr. Pardo practiced intellectual property law for thirty years in some of the largest law firms in Buenos Aires.

Mr. Pardo has served two terms on the board of directors of the Argentine Association of Industrial Property Agents (AAAPI), and was president of the American section of the Global Advertising Lawyers Alliance (GALA). He was head of different committees at the International Trademark Association (INTA), as well as at the Association of European Trademark Owners (MARQUES).

During his current mandate at INPI, Mr. Pardo was appointed president of the Programa Iberoamericano de Propiedad Intelectual (IBEPI), and also chair of the Standing Committee on the Law of Patents (SCP), at the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

At present, he teaches International Aspects of IP Law, in the Master's program of Intellectual Property and Innovation, a joint program administered by WIPO and the University of San Andrés, in Buenos Aires.



**BORN**

February 16, 1956



**FAMILY**

Married  
Three children



**NATIONALITY**

Argentinian



**LANGUAGES**

Spanish, English