



**WIPO**

WORLD  
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY  
ORGANIZATION

**THE DAKAR MINISTERIAL  
CONFERENCE  
OVERVIEW AND OUTCOME**

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# CONTEXT

## WIPO STRATEGIC GOAL 3 / WIPO PROGRAM 9



**WIPO**



**COOPERATION**

**AFRICA**

## CONTEXT RECAP

- **WIPO Strategic Goal 3**
- **WIPO Program 9**
- **Developments on the Continent**
  - **AU Agenda 2063**
  - **Common African Position on the Post 2015 SDGs**  
**STISA 2024**

# The Conference : DAKAR 2015



# CONFERENCE



# CONFERENCE AND OUTCOME

- Some 400 participants, composed of
- Some 50 Ministers responsible for Intellectual Property, Science, technology and innovation; culture; communication, etc.
- Academia; Research institutions
- IP experts
- Civil society
- Regional IP and Academic Institutions
- RECs
- NGOs
- IP Offices with whom our Regional IP Institutions have partnership
- Local participants

# OUTCOME

## THE DAKAR DECLARATION ON IP FOR AFRICA

### ■ *Main elements*

A call upon WIPO to strengthen partnership with the African Union, Regional Economic Communities, and African Countries in order to address their IP challenges and, in particular, to enhance its technical assistance

■ WIPO to promote joint initiatives with the African Union Commission, Regional Economic Communities, the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and the Organisation Africaine de la Propriété Intellectuelle (OAPI).



# FOLLOW UP



- Declaration adopted by 26<sup>th</sup> Summit of AU Heads of State
- Underlined the importance of IP in the implementation of Agenda 2063
- Called upon WIPO to strengthen its partnership with the AU, the RECs and African countries to address IP challenges
- Enhance technical assistance

# FOLLOW UP



*Welcome*

*to*

*WIPO!*

