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Mr. Jorge Amigo, a national of Mexico is Chairman of the Lisbon Union Assembly, and was recently appointed as Chair 2010-2011 of the Intellectual Property Rights Expert's Group of APEC.

He holds a bachelor degree in Economics from the Anahuac University and a Master degree in Economics from the University of the Americas, both of them in Mexico City.

Mr. Amigo's professional experience includes several management positions in banking and private industries as well as in different governmental positions within the Ministry of Commerce, nowadays Ministry of Economy.

In 1993, he was appointed as Director General of Technological Development of the Ministry of Commerce and in January 1994, Mr. Amigo became Director General of the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI) appointed by the President of Mexico, a position he still holds to date.

Mr. Amigo was granted with the "Venice International Award for Intellectual Property 2006" by the Government of the City of Venice and the Venice Centre for Intellectual Property and in the same year the President of Mexico granted him an official recognition for IMPI's performance during the years 2000 to 2006.

In December 2008, he was awarded a Gold Medal by Mr. Francis Gurry, Director General of WIPO.

STÉFAN BERGERON

Mr. Bergeron has a Master in Project Management, and bachelor degrees in Economics and in International Relations, and a degree in data processing applied to management.

Mr. Bergeron has been working as a Senior Policy Analyst with the International Relations Office at the Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) since 2007. Stéfán has participated in many WIPO meetings since then (Committee on Development and IP (CDIP), WIPO's Program and Budget Committee (PBC) and the WIPO General Assemblies) as well as a few APEC-IPEG meetings as part of delegations from Canada.

He has worked as a Trademark examiner in the past, as well as a policy analyst in the adult learning and literacy fields.

SYED KHALID MEHMOOD BUKHARI

Syed Khalid Mehmood Bukhari is a highly qualified, learned and dynamic personality with vast and diverse experience. He is a law graduate having more than 30 years of experience in the fields of Constitutional, Corporate and IP Laws. He has been a lawyer of high calibre and Principal of Law College in Multan, Pakistan. He also served as Director,

National Bank of Pakistan and actively took part in setting up the national economic and trade policies. His excellent performance as Director NBP was appreciated by the then Governor, State Bank of Pakistan. He is known for his logical analytical reasoning, linguistic skills, knowledge of law, pleasing personality and amiable nature. By dint of Mr. Bukhari's God gifted and acquired qualities, he was appointed Director General, Intellectual Property Organization of Pakistan in 2008. He has introduced an effective strategy for protection of IP assets and IPR enforcement in Pakistan, which is highly appreciated at national and international level.

Mr. Bukhari has represented Pakistan at different international fora in China, Switzerland, Bulgaria, Sri Lanka, Philippines, etc., and actively took part in the setting up of global/regional IP strategies in the fields of copyrights, geographical indications, patents, trade marks and designs, genetic resources, traditional knowledge and folklores (GRTKF).

SERGIO MEDEIROS PAULINO DE CARVALHO

Dr. Sergio is Director of the Articulation and Technology Information Department of the Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property, INPI.

He graduated in economics at the Fluminense Federal University, UFF, in 1979. In 1996, he acquired a master degree and, in 2003, obtained a Ph.D, both in technological and scientific politics from the Federal University of Campinas, UNICAMP. Nowadays, he dedicates his studies to multi-faceted matters like economics innovation, intellectual property and impacts, intellectual property and small enterprises, intellectual property and agribusiness. Some of these researches – small enterprises and author rights – rendered him publications made by WIPO.

Dr. Sergio taught several subjects in the post-graduation levels such as intellectual property history and agribusiness and intellectual property at the INPI's professional masters course and intellectual property at the course of technological innovation strategic management at UNICAMP. He is a researcher at the institute of farming and cattle raising of the Rio de Janeiro state since 1981. Moreover, he was an associated researcher at the GEOPI (Research Group of Investigation and Innovation), within the department of technological and scientific politics at the Geo-science Institute of UNICAMP since 1996.

At the INPI, he was General Coordinator of Institutional Articulation and Regional Diffusion from 2005 to 2008. At the end of 2008, he was promoted to Director of Articulation and Technological Information.

SAM EDIRISURIYA

Mr. Sam Edirisuriya is presently an Additional Secretary, Ministry of Trade, Marketing Development, Cooperatives and Consumer Services. He has held senior management positions in various government agencies including Ministry of Media and Information, Ministry of Forestry and Environment, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Ministry of Policy Planning.

He is a graduate from the University of Kelaniya Sri Lanka and a holder of Diploma in International Affairs in Bandaranaike Institute of International Studies, Colombo.

Mr. Edirisuriya has also undergone training in the field of public administration in Sri Lanka as well as some other countries such as Singapore, India and Thailand.

ADIL ELMALIKI

Mr. Adil Elmaliki is a national of Morocco.

Presently, he is Engineer in Chief (Chemical Engineering), and Director General at the Moroccan Industrial and Commercial Property Office (OMPIC)

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He was Head of Commercial studies Division, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, from March 1998 to October 2000. He worked as Head of Central Registry of Trade from April 1997 to March 1998. From January 1993 to April 1997, he was Engineer in the Chemical Industry Division.

MATTHEW FORNO

Mr. Matthew Forno is the Director of IP Australia's International Policy and Cooperation Section, which is responsible for providing advice to the Australian Government on international IP policy, as well as managing international arrangements, relationships and projects. He represents the organization and the Australian government's position at international meetings on intellectual property (IP) rights.

Prior to his present position with IP Australia, Mr. Forno was the Communications and Outreach Manager at the APEC Secretariat in Singapore. In this position, he designed and executed strategic communications and outreach plans and activities to promote the policy and project outcomes of the APEC forum. As part of this role, Mr. Forno co-developed the *APEC Intellectual Property Policy, and Model Trade Marks and Copyright Licensing Agreements*.

Mr. Forno has also performed management roles in IP Australia's Marketing and Customer Engagement Team and was a Trade Marks Examiner.

Mr. Forno has a Bachelor of Arts in Communication from the University of Canberra and is currently completing a Masters in Diplomacy and Trade with Monash University in Australia.

PETER N. FOWLER

Mr. Peter N. Fowler is Senior Counsel for Enforcement at the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

He joined the USPTO in 1995, as an Attorney-Advisor in the Office of Legislative and International Affairs, working on international and domestic copyright policy matters. From 1998 to 2002, he served on various posts as Executive Assistant to the Assistant Secretary and Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Chief of Staff to the Under Secretary and Director and Acting Deputy Administrator for External Affairs prior to his appointment as Senior Counsel.

Mr. Fowler has traveled extensively in Asia and the Middle East, providing technical assistance, training, and participating in capacity-building activities in the areas of IPR policy and enforcement. He has been a member of a number of U.S. trade negotiating teams, including the U.S. Free Trade Agreements with Australia, Bahrain, Colombia, Malaysia, Oman, Singapore, Thailand and the UAE, and the Bilateral Trade Agreement with Vietnam. Mr. Fowler is a recipient of two U.S. Department of Commerce Gold Medal Awards for Distinguished Achievement in the Federal Service, and a Bronze Medal Award for Superior Federal Service.

From 1985 to 1995, Mr. Fowler practiced copyright, trademark and entertainment laws in San Francisco, California. He was admitted to the practice of law in California and Nevada, and before several federal courts, including the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit and the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. From 1990 to 1995, he served as an arbitrator for the Bar Association of San Francisco and as a Judge Pro Tem of the Municipal Court of the City and County of San Francisco.

He taught as an Adjunct Associate Professor of Law at the Golden Gate University School of Law, University of California Hastings College of the Law, University of San Francisco, California State University-East Bay, Martin University, Bolivarian Pontifical University and University of Antioquia in Medellín, Colombia. Prior to law school, Mr. Fowler worked in local and state government in the State of Indiana as an Executive Assistant to the Mayor of Marion, Indiana; as Chief Investigator for the Prosecuting Attorney of Grant County, Indiana and as a Special Assistant to the Clerk of Courts of Grant County, Indiana.

Mr. Fowler has a B.A. in Political Science from John Carroll University; an M.A. in Secondary Education from the University of Alabama, an M.A. in Political Science from Ball State University; and a J.D. from Golden Gate University School of Law.

WOLFRAM FÖRSTER

Mr. Wolfram Förster, MSc, Ph.D, is of German national and currently the Head of Principal Directorate Business Services at DG1 of the European Patent Office (EPO) in The Hague, The Netherlands.

He has a Master degree and a Ph.D in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the University of Heidelberg (1981-1985) and a Master degree from the University of California at Irvine (1983).

He joined the EPO in The Hague in 1986, as Patent Examiner in the Pharmaceutical Sciences and Second Medical Applications. From 1991 to 1999, he participated in and co-managed the BEST project in Munich. He was head of a directorate (1999-2002) dealing with pharmacological applications. From 2003, he was part of the senior management team at the EPO where he was in charge of various technical areas in Chemistry and Mechanics including Biotechnology, Vehicles and Polymers.

From 2004, he was nominated to the Senior Board of Managers at the EPO. He headed the Controlling Office in Munich (July 2004 to December 2007) dealing directly with Presidents Pompidou and Brimelow. In this period, he was responsible for coordinating the strategic and economic direction of the EPO where he led the Scenarios of the Future. This involved carrying out an analysis of the main drivers for change which would have an impact on the patent system.

He is currently occupying the position of head of Principal Directorate Business Services in The Hague where he is responsible for the operational business and managerial support to DG1 at all levels in close collaboration with the main strategic areas of the EPO.

TRAN VIET HUNG

Mr. Tran Viet Hung was born in 1950, in the middle province of Nghe An.

Presently, he is Director General of the National Office of Intellectual Property of Viet Nam. He earned a Diploma on radio-electronics at the Minsk University, Belarus, in 1973.

In 1977, he joined the National Office of Invention of Viet Nam (the predecessor of the National Office of Intellectual Property of Viet Nam) and served as a legal expert and trademark examiner. In 1984, he attended an advanced training course on intellectual property law in the Center for Industrial Property Studies, University of Strasbourg, France, where he obtained the Certificate.

From 1989 to 1992, he became Director of the Trademark and Industrial Design Division of the Office, and in March 1992, he was appointed as Deputy Director General of the Office. He took office as Director General of the National Office of Intellectual Property of Viet Nam, on April 1, 2007.

Mr. Tran has participated in preparing and drafting various legal documents on intellectual property. He has given lectures at various international and national seminars/workshops held in Viet Nam and abroad and is an IP visiting teacher at several universities of Viet Nam. Mr. Tran Viet Hung is a member of the State Steering Committee on anti-trafficking, counterfeit goods and trade fraud. He is also a member of the State Steering Committee on the National Action Program to prevent and fight against infringements of intellectual property in the period of 2006 to 2010. Mr. Tran was honored with noble rewards by the Government and the State for his enormous contribution to the development of the IP system of Viet Nam.

TADASHI INOUE

Mr. Tadashi Inoue, a national of Japan, is presently working as Dean, Manager for Human Resources Development, National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (INPIT).

He obtained a Master Degree in Engineering (electronics) from Kyoto University, in March 1981.

In 1981, he joined the Japan Patent Office (JPO) as Assistant Examiner, Data Processing Division, and was later promoted to Patent Examiner in the same division. From 1995 to 1998, he joined WIPO as PCT Adviser in the Support Section of the PCT Department. He rejoined JPO as Appeal Examiner, 30th Board of Appeal (Electronic Image Devices), Appeal Department and later became Director, Examination Research Office from 2001 to 2003. From 2003 to 2004, he was Director in the Electronic Commerce Technology Division and was then moved to the Examination Standards Office with the same title up to 2006. In April 2007, he was appointed Senior Director of the Image Processing Division.

He also has had careers in academia, such as part-time instructor (International Patent System) at the Kanazawa Institute of Technology and was also a visiting Professor (IP License in Computer-software field) at Tohoku University (2004-2006).

JUNG-SIK KOH

Dr. Jung-Sik Koh has served as Commissioner of the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) since his appointment in May 2008. Prior to his current position, he worked as Deputy Minister for the Energy and Resources Policy Office of the Ministry of Knowledge Economy.

Dr. Koh joined the Korean Government in 1979, as a deputy director of the Heavy and Chemical Industry Planning Board, which was headed by the Chief Economic Advisor for the President.

Since 1980, Dr. Koh has worked for the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy (currently the Ministry of Knowledge Economy). Throughout his career, Dr. Koh has been actively involved in establishing Korea's major energy and industrial policies.

Other senior positions formerly held by Dr. Koh include the following: Director General of the Electronics, Chemical and Textile Industries Bureau; Director General of the Korea Electricity Commission; Director General of the Energy Industry Bureau; and Director General of the Energy and Resources Policy Bureau.

Dr. Koh's foreign services include posts as Regional Advisor on Energy for the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, and Commercial Counselor of the Korean Embassy in Australia.

Dr. Koh majored in chemical engineering at Seoul National University and earned a master's degree from the Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology. In 1988, he received a master's degree in applied economics and a Ph.D in chemical engineering from the University of Michigan. He is a member of the National Academy of Engineering of Korea.

P.H. KURIAN

Mr. P.H. Kurian, a national of India is currently the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks (CGPDTM).

He functions as statutory authority for the administration of the Patents Act 1970, Designs Act 2000, Trade Marks Act 1999 and the Geographical Indications of Goods (Registration and Protection) Act 1999. He functions as the administrative head of Patents and Designs Office, Trade Marks and Geographical Indication Registry, Patent Information System (PIS) and Intellectual Property Training Institute (IPTI) from Mumbai headquarters through six offices. He also advises the Government on matters relating to intellectual property rights.

Before joining the service he was a Research Scholar working in the field of Synthetic Organic Chemistry in the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, for a period of three years.

Mr. P.H. Kurian joined Indian IP office in 2009, and prior to that he held various posts in the State Government of Kerala. He has extensive experience in entrepreneurship development, industrial promotion, industrial dispute redressal and industrial financing. He is a co-author of the book "Entrepreneurship in Developing Countries" along with Professor Padman, which was published by Kerala Bureau of Industrial promotion.

As Industries Secretary and IT Secretary, he has successfully negotiated many infrastructure projects in the PPP mode, which includes the smart city at Cochin and many other projects of Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation. He has also visited about twenty countries either as leader or as member of national and state business delegations.

He post-graduated in Chemistry from the Kerala University and he belongs to 1986 batch of Indian Administrative Services (IAS).

SHAMSIAH KAMARUDDIN

Mrs. Shamsiah Kamaruddin, is a Malaysian national.

She is presently Acting Deputy Director General (Industrial Property) at the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia (MyIPO).

She is in charged of the administration and registration of patents, trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications. She holds a Master of Business Administration, from New Hampshire College, USA.

She started her IP career at MyIPO in 1993, as Assistant Registrar of Trademark. In December 1994, became Assistant Registrar of Patents. In 2003, became Head of the Patent Formality Section.

CHIAM LU LIN

Ms. Chiam Lu Lin holds the position of Assistant Director General at the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS). She is also designated as Deputy Registrar in IPOS.

Lu Lin's responsibilities include assisting the Director General and the 1st Deputy Director General to oversee four Registries i.e., Trade Marks, Patents, Industrial Designs and Plant Varieties. She also helps them in managing the Hearings and Mediation Division, the Computerization (Registries) Department and the Customer Service Department. In addition, she is also the Quality Service Manager for IPOS. Amongst other portfolios, she is one of the key players in driving the on-going rules review and reform process in IPOS.

Her vast experience includes representing IPOS in the negotiations of the Free Trade Agreements, various intergovernmental meetings on IP, international and regional roundtables, conferences and workshops. She has also spoken on a range of IP topics at various local and international fora.

KOICHI MINAMI

Mr. Koichi Minami is a national of Japan. He has been holding the post of Deputy Commissioner of the Japan Patent Office (JPO) since July 2008.

Mr. Minami studied at the Nagoya Institute of Technology where he obtained a bachelor degree in engineering. He joined JPO in 1977, and during his tenure as the Planning Director for the Automation, he proposed the "IP Cyber Plan" to WIPO with USPTO for computerization of all IP offices in the world. While he was working as the Director of the Technology Research Division, he was engaged in the formulation of Intellectual Property Policy Outline of Japan. Today, he is responsible for all matters relating to patent examination in the JPO.

NAGWA ABOU ELELLA MOHAMED

Mrs. Nagwa Abou Elella Mohamed a national of Egypt, presently, the position she occupies is “General Manager of the Egyptian Patent Office library”.

She is a holder of a Master Degree in Library and Information Science, from faculty of Arts, Cairo University, in January 2005. Her field of study is “Patents in Egypt; its organization and use”. She is currently working on her Ph.D in the same field.

She participated as a speaker in the Multi-country workshop on IPR, which was held at the EPO (Munich), in October 2008.

She gave lectures to young researchers at Cairo University on “the importance of IP in the Scientific Research”.

CHARLES MOLINIER

Mr. Molinier is Director of Financial and Human Resources at the African intellectual Property Organization (O.A.P.I), since July 15, 2008. He is responsible as, inter alia, for the following: schedule, coordinate, supervise and animate the various activities of different services; suggest and implement the policy of the human and financial resources; produce financial information necessary for decision making; control execution and financial planning; follow up the Organization's treasury and make proposals at the General Management; elaborate the Organization's budget; elaborate and follow execution plans, career and training of personnel; ensure recruitment. He is a member of the follow-up Committee and selection of projects submitted for funding the help fund for the promotion of invention and innovation (FAPI).

Prior to assuming his current role, has been head of department for the support to public sector and private sector, from March 2003 to July 2008, for documentation and technological development (DDT) branch. To this role was promoting the exploitation of inventions and innovations, assisting to the scientific and technical research, the promotion of activities of the Organization (development of information and education material); had to pilot the elaboration phase, monitoring and research funding for the pilot project, protection and promotion of geographical indications in OAPI, from 2003 to 2008.

He was Head of Department of distinctive signs from July 1996 to 30 March 2003 (DPG), during his tenure, he was in charge of the following: handling of trade mark applications, designs and Industrial models, commercial names; validation of admissible applications; validation of applications for registration; training of staff at the service on the legal aspect of the protection of distinctive signs under the Bangui Agreement, the Paris convention and the ADPIC Accord (Agreement on the aspects of IP law on commerce) and the administrative procedure of protection; handling of opposition files on trade marks and commercial names; elaboration of statistics on distinctive signs (marks, designs and industrial models, commercial names).

He has actively participated on the project of the revision of the Bangui Agreement of 1977, in the drafting on the Administrative Instructions, on the elaboration of the manual of the administrative and financial procedures and also the manual regarding the operational procedures of OAPI.

Before joining the OAPI, Mr. Molinier was General Manager of Industries in Mali from 1993 to 1996 and Assistant General Manager of industries in Mali from 1990 to 1993.

Followed-up many courses in financial and economic projects, intellectual property (patents, trademarks, industrial designs, Paris Convention, PCT, Madrid Agreement for the international registration of marks), transfers of technology, standardization and quality control, industrial cooperation, the development of the private sector of Mali, the agro-industries... He is an Economist and holds a Master's degree in development economics from the University of Dakar in 1978. He was recruited at the Public Service of Mali in October 1980 as an Inspector of economic services and at OAPI in July 1996 to handle the Department of distinctive signs.

HERMAN NTCHATCHO

Mr. Herman Ntchatcho, a national of Cameroon, has served the United Nations (UN) system organization for some 28 years in various capacities.

Mr. Ntchatcho is currently Senior Director, in charge of the Africa Region in the Cooperation for Development Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), which he joined in 1991.

He also served as Director of the Human Resources Management Department (HRMD) and of Senior Director, advising the Deputy Director General responsible for the Economic Development Sector.

Upon joining WIPO he served as a Senior Program Officer, in the Cooperation for Development and External Relations Bureau for Africa, Assistant Legal Counsel as well as Senior Counsellor in the Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Development (OSPPD).

Mr. Ntchatcho graduated with a Master of Public Administration (MPA) from Harvard University, the J.F. Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA, and received a Diploma in Management and Public Policy from the Harvard Institute of International Development (HIID), Cambridge, MA

Mr. Ntchatcho also holds an LLM (Master of Laws) in International Legal Studies from New York University (NYU), New York.

Mr. Ntchatcho holds a post graduate degree, (DEA) in International Economic Law from *l'Université de Paris I* (Panthéon – Sorbonne) and a *Maîtrise et Licence en droit* from the same University.

RAZILU

Mr. Razilu, a national of Indonesia, is presently Director of Patent, Directorate General of Intellectual Property Rights (DGIPR) Republic of Indonesia, since 2009. Prior his position now, he was posted in various structural positions under Ministry of Law and Human Rights. He started his career as patent examiner in 1991. He was then appointed as Head of Patent Examination II Division followed by his posting at the local office of Ministry of Law and Human Rights in Central Java until he was appointed as Director of Patent.

His engineering background was received from Faculty of Technology Agriculture of Bogor Agricultural Institute. He holds master degree majoring Strategic Planning from University of Indonesia in 2009.

He has participated in a number of trainings, local and abroad, and involved in various national projects since the beginning of establishment of patent system in Indonesia. He actively gives lectures, trainings in many dissemination and socialization activities dealing with patent matters.

SIMPHIWE NCWANA

A law graduate of the University of Fort Hare, South Africa. Started his career in IP in the South African Patent Office(SAPO) in 2000 as a trade mark examiner and later became a Manager of the trademarks examination and acceptance Division.

He is currently working at the Department of Trade and Industry (the dti) (CCRD) in the policy and legislation division dealing with Intellectual Property policy formulation and its commercialization thereof.

MAURICIO GONZALES DEL ROSARIO

He studied in The University of Chicago, The Harris School of Public Policy Studies, Chicago, USA

During 2005-2007, he did his Master in Public Policy MPP and his thesis emphasized on Microeconomic Theory, Political Economic Theory, Budgeting and Planning and Statistical Analysis. Health Law and Investment Management at Law School. Member of Latin American Matters. Student Association – LAM. He is fluent in English and Spanish. Basic Portuguese.

From 1993-2000, he studied in Pontifical Catholic University Of Peru Lima, PERU, he received Law Degree - JD, Cum Laude.

From November 2009 to date, he worked in the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and the Protection of Intellectual Property – Indecopi and he is head of technical cooperation and international affairs, Lima, Peru. His main duties include: design, develop and monitored technical cooperation projects submitted to cooperating sources (WB, IADB, OEA, and UE); coordinate the subscription of international cooperation agreements and monitored their execution; work with representatives of national and international

governments in order to implement cooperation projects; participate in the negotiations for the subscription of Peru's Commercial Agreements with UE, Japan, and China; organize the participation of INDECOPI in different events abroad; lead the international relations of INDECOPI.

In 2009, he worked with the Ministry of Labor And Employment Promotion, Minister's advisor and his duties were as follows: designed legal frameworks and public policies related to labor and employment, such as informal working practices, labor market, small business and micro enterprise formalization, human resource management; supported labor and employment legal reform (implementation of the procedural labor law); designed, implemented, evaluated and monitored programs related to labor market, industrial relations, safety nets and transfers, informal labor markets; worked with representatives of national, regional and local governments as well as high level public and private representatives and the international cooperation in order to implement programs and projects; designed and implemented standards for the modernization of the Ministry.

During the period 2008-2009, he worked in the Ministry of Social Development, Minister's advisor and his main duties were as follows: designed legal frameworks and public policies related to social development, such as safety nets and transfers, health care and nutrition, labor child and gender; worked with representatives of national, regional and local governments as well as high level public and private representatives and the international cooperation in order to implement programs and projects; designed, implemented, evaluated and monitored programs related to health care and nutrition, gender, child abuse, rural development; supported decentralization arrangements and accountability, transparency and civic engagement (resettlement of the Ministry's ethics committee).

In 2007 and 2008, he worked with Apoyo Consulting Firm Public Administration Unit and his duties were as follows: designed, implemented and monitored projects for regional and local governments related to modernization and decentralization of government as well as accountability, transparency and civic engagement; worked with representatives of national, regional and local governments as well as high level public and private representatives and the international cooperation in order to implement regional and local programs and projects.

He also worked with Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River Cities Initiative Alliance of local governments (USA and Canada) committed to the long-term protection and restoration of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River. He was also Project Researcher: evaluated the institutional structure and the regulatory framework of the alliance and designed one model of governance structure consistent with the legal instruments that govern it.

June 2006, he worked as a Consultant at the Instituto Crianca E Vida – Child is Life, a non-profit organization founded by Schering-Plough Brasil. His duties were as follows: participated in learning modules targeted at adults and children in topics related to health care and nutrition and monitored the implementation and outcomes of the modules in operation; participated in the group that developed the learning module referred to teaching sex education to children from 7 to 12 years and negotiated the financing of the module with the Sao Paulo's Social and Environmental Stock Market (an initiative of the Stock Exchange of Sao Paulo); interacted with officials of the social NGO's network of Sao Paulo as well as high level public officials and entrepreneurs of health (pharmaceuticals).

He worked in the Presidency of the Cabinet of Ministers, State Modernization and Decentralization Support Program, Lima, PERU, as Legal Consultant from 2004-2005. He assisted in the drafting and execution of the modernization and decentralization plan for Peru's major state institutions; researched laws that regulate regional and local governments; developed and implemented the Single Record of Duties of the State which provides comprehensive information about duties and functions of the entities of the national, regional and local government as well as national budgetary expenses assumed by those State entities.

He was in the Ministry of Transport and communication, Land Transportation General Department Advisor from 2001 to 2004. He led the reorganization for the Land Transportation General Department. Duties included restructuring all aspects of the department's infrastructure including budget, personnel and infrastructure issues; devised, designed and implemented the Fiscalization Unit, responsible for all aspects of Peru's transportation policies and activities. Organized, recruited and managed 15 lawyers and 15 transportation experts; worked with international institutions including the Inter-American Development Bank to develop and implement new projects and regulations in the transportation sector; drafted legislation for the Use and Concession of Peruvian Ports, signed into law in 2003; and the National Regulations of Transport Administration Law, among others.

He was Internship with the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property – INDECOPI, Lima Peru as Legal Intern at the Intellectual Property Court and Legal Intern at the Consumer Protection Commission from 1998 to 2000.

GIFT HUGGINS SIBANDA

Mr. Sibanda, a national of Zimbabwe, is currently Director General of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), serving his second term.

He holds a Master Degree in Law, having majored in Civil and Criminal Laws with specialization in intellectual property (IP) and is a specialist on patent documentation and information, which he obtained through a two-year WIPO fellowship.

Mr. Sibanda wields experience of over 25 years in the field of IP and is renown for his active involvement in the institutionalization of ARIPO as well as the outreach programs on IP in Africa.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the MIP Program at Africa University and a part-time lecturer for the MIP program as well as a member of the Global Agenda Council on IP, Standards Association of Zimbabwe (SAZ) and Scientific Industrial Research Development Centre (SIRDC).

BORIS SIMONOV

Dr. Boris Simonov, a national of Russia, is the Director General of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks – ROSPATENT.

Dr. Simonov graduated from the Moscow Energy Institute (university level entity in international educational system specialized in power engineering) in 1975 (Honors). In 2003, he obtained the Doctorate (Ph.D) in Technical Science.

His professional interests concentrated mostly in the commercialization of intellectual property and the development of the innovation system, activating the process of modernization of industry and commercialization of research and development (R&D) results in Russia and worldwide. He was also the associate professor in mechanics and strength of the materials, Moscow Energy Institute (1980-1991) and the Dean of the desk of commercialization of intellectual property, Russian State Institute (university level entity) of Intellectual Property (2007 - to date).

Dr. Simonov was awarded with the “Badge of Honor” Medal (1984) and the Russian Government Prize for development and introduction of the new technologies (1998). He has been dealing directly with IP matters for 30 years in both government and private sectors. He is well aware of IP issues from different perspectives and has rich international experience.

VALERIA TABORGA

Ms. Valeria Taborga, a national of Chile, is at present Head of the International Department, at the National Institute of Industrial Property of Chile (INAPI).

She is in charge of international affairs and cooperation activities for INAPI. She holds a Master’s Degree in Law, specialized on Intellectual property at Queen Mary & Westfield College, University of London. Prior her current position she was in private practice exercising as a lawyer in the fields of industrial property. She teaches post graduate Intellectual Property courses at the School of Law, Universidad de Chile.

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Mr. Yo Takagi is Assistant Director General of WIPO. He is responsible for WIPO’s new strategic goal to build global intellectual property infrastructure.

He joined WIPO as Director of Industrial Property Information Division in 1994, and has occupied a number of senior positions including Executive Director for Office of Strategic Planning and Policy Development from 1999 to 2008. Before joining WIPO, he was a patent examiner at the Japan Patent Office and a diplomat representing Japan at meetings of WIPO and the GATT for the negotiation of the TRIPS Agreement.

He was educated at the Kyoto University where he majored in the chemical engineering.

WEN XIKAI

Mrs. Wen Xikai is now Professor of China Intellectual Property Training Center(CIPTC). She retired from the post of Deputy Director General and Secretary General of the Office of the National Intellectual Property Strategy Formulation Leading Group (NIPSO), in April 2007.

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