

**Seminar on the Hague System for the International Registration of
Industrial Designs: Practical Approach to the System and Feedback
from the Offices of Japan, the Republic of Korea and the United
States of America as Designated Contracting Parties**

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PROGRAM

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- 8.30 – 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 – 9.15 OPENING
- Welcome address by:
- Mr. Yves Closet, Head, Information and Promotion Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 9.15 – 10.00 **The New E-Filing Interface for the International Registration of Industrial Designs Under the Hague Agreement**
- How to Use the New E-Filing Environment: Create a User Account; File an Application; and Manage Your Applications Through the E-Filing Portfolio Manager
How to File an International Application Through the New E-Filing Interface
Practical Exercises
- Speaker: Mr. Jean-François Ouellette, Associate Business Analyst, Operations Service, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 10.00 – 10.15 Coffee Break
- 10.15 – 10.45 **International Application and Examination**
- Examination of an Application by the International Bureau of WIPO
Irregularities
Examination and Requirements Concerning Reproductions
- Speaker: Ms. Kateryna Gabriele, Examiner, Operations Service, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 10.45 – 11.00 Questions
- 11.00 – 11.30 **International Registration**
- Effects of an International Registration
Possibility of Refusal
- Speaker: Mr. Hiroshi Okutomi, Senior Legal Officer, Legal Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector

- 11.30 – 12.00 **Managing an International Registration**
- Change in Ownership and Other Changes
Renewal
- Speaker: Ms. Yin Wu, Examiner, Operations Service, The Hague
Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 12.00 – 12.15 Questions
- 12.15 – 13.45 Lunch
- 13.45 – 14.45 **Practical Guidance to Users Designating Japan, the Republic of
Korea and the United States of America**
- Speakers: Mr. Ho Beom Jeon, Examiner, Operations Service, The Hague
Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- Ms. Rashida Johnson, Examiner, Operations Service,
Operations Service, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs
Sector
- Ms. Sachiko Chiba, Examiner, Operations Service, The Hague
Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 14.45 – 15.00 Questions
- 15.00 – 15.15 Coffee Break
- 15.15 – 16.15 **Feedback from the Offices of Japan, the Republic of Korea and the
United States of America as Designated Contracting Parties**
- Moderator: Mr. Yves Closet
- Speakers: Mr. Hiroyuki Ito, Director, Design Registration System Planning
Office, Japan Patent Office (JPO), Tokyo
- (up to
20 mn) Ms. Eunmi Sohn, Deputy Director, Korean Intellectual Property
Office (KIPO), Seoul
- Mr. David Gerk, Attorney-Advisor, Office of Policy and
International Affairs (OPIA), United States Patent and
Trademark Office (USPTO), Department of Commerce,
Alexandria, Virginia
- 16.15 – 17.00 Discussions and Closing

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