

## **Seminar on the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs: Advantages and Functioning of an Ever Expanding System**

**Geneva, November 10, 2016**

PROVISIONAL 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 – 9.45 **Introduction to the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs**  
What Are the Advantages of the Hague System?  
The Hague Agreement: A System in Full Expansion
- Speaker: Mr. Yves Closet
- 9.45 – 10.00 **Overview of The Hague Registry Operations**
- Speaker: Mr. Patrick Cartant, Head, Operations Service, The Hague Registry
- 10.00 – 10.15 Coffee Break
- 10.15 – 11.30 **From Filing to Expiring: The Lifecycle of a Registration**
- The Filing of an International Application and its Examination (step 1)  
Administration of an International Registration (step 2)
- E-Tools: Ongoing Developments**
- Speakers: Mr. Jean-François Ouellette, Associate Business Analyst, Operations Service  
Ms. Kateryna Gabriele, Examiner, Operations Service  
Ms. Yin Wu, Examiner
- 11.30 – 12.00 Questions
- 12.00 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.00 **Follow-up after the Accession of Japan, the Republic of Korea and the United States of America**
- Speaker: Mr. Ho Beom Jeon, Examiner  
Ms. Rashida Johnson, Examiner  
Ms. Sachiko Chiba, Examiner
- 15.00 – 15.15 Coffee Break

15.15 – 17.00      **The Hague System: Practical Experience From a Practitioner's Point of View**

Moderator:    Mr. Yves Closet

Speakers:     Mr. Bernard Volken, Attorney-at-law, Fuhrer Marbach and Partner, Bern

Mr. Hubert Doléac, Senior Legal Counsel, Intellectual Property, Nestlé Legal, Nestec Ltd, Vevey

17.00            CLOSING

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