

Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP)

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ACCREDITATION OF OBSERVERS

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1. The Rules of Procedure for the Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP) provide for *ad hoc* accreditation as observers of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations for a period of one year (document CDIP/1/2 Rev.)

2. The Annex to this document contains information about one non-governmental organization (NGO), namely COMMUNIA, International Association on the Public Domain (COMMUNIA), which has requested *ad hoc* observer status.

3. *The CDIP is invited to take a decision on the request for accreditation of the NGO contained in the Annex to this document as an ad hoc observer for a period of one year.*

[Annex follows]

COMMUNIA, INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION ON THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

NAME OF THE ORGANIZATION

COMMUNIA, International Association on the Public Domain (COMMUNIA)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE

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MANDATE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE ORGANIZATION

The mission of the Communia Association on the Public Domain is to foster, strengthen, and enrich the Public Domain. To fulfill its mission, Communia Association and its Members will raise awareness in, educate about, advocate for, offer expertise on and research about the Public Domain in the digital age within society and with policy-makers.

The Association aims at maintaining and reinforcing an international network of non-governmental organizations that constitute reference for policy discussion and strategic action on all issues related to the public domain in the digital environment and related topics.

The Association believes that the issues related to the digital public domain, defining the scope of our Association, are crucial to the WIPO's Development Agenda, as set up by the Recommendations, in particular Recommendation 16. Furthermore, one of the CDIP meeting documents, the Study on Copyright and Related Rights and the Public Domain (CDIP/4/3/REV./STUDY/INF.1), has been written by Prof. Séverine Dusollier, a member of Communia Network.

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