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## **Intellectual Property Protection of Traditional Medical Knowledge**

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**September 26 to 28, 2023**

PROGRAM

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Tuesday, September 26, 2023

10:30 – 10:40  
(Geneva Time)

**Opening**

Mr. Wend Wendland, Director, Traditional Knowledge Division, Global Challenges and Partnerships Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Ms. Loretta Asiedu, Acting Director, Division for Africa, Regional and National Development Sector, WIPO

10:40 – 11:40  
(Geneva Time)

**An Introduction to Intellectual Property**

Speaker: Professor Anthony Kakooza, Associate Professor of Law, Uganda Christian University, Uganda

11:40 – 12:30  
(Geneva Time)

**An Overview of Intellectual Property Protection of Traditional Medical Knowledge**

Speaker: Ms. Fei Jiao, Program Officer, Traditional Knowledge Division, Global Challenges and Partnerships Sector, WIPO

12:30 – 13:00  
(Geneva Time)

Discussion

Wednesday, September 27, 2023

10:30 – 11:30  
(Geneva Time)

**International Legal Frameworks relating to Traditional Medical Knowledge**

Speaker: Professor Anthony Kakooza

11:30 – 12:30  
(Geneva Time)

**Experiences of Developing Countries with Patents and Traditional Medical Knowledge**

Speaker: Professor Motlalepula Matsabisa, University of the Free State, South Africa

12:30 – 13:00  
(Geneva Time)

**Utilization of Intellectual Property Tools for Value Addition of Ethiopian Traditional Medicines**

Speaker: Mr. Tewodros Ayalew Tessema, Lecturer, Department of Pharmaceuticals, School of Pharmacy, University of Gondar, Ethiopia

Thursday, September 28, 2023

10:30 – 12:30 **Roundtable Discussion: National Projects**  
(Geneva Time)

Facilitator: Mr. Yves Ngoubeyou, Counsellor, Division for Africa,  
Regional and National Development Sector, WIPO

12:30 – 12:50 **Introduction to the Next Steps**

Speaker: Ms. Fei Jiao

12:50 – 13:00 **Closing**

Ms. Fei Jiao

Mr. Yves Ngoubeyou

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