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The Strategic Use of Intellectual Property (IP) for Projects Based on Traditional Knowledge (TK), Traditional Cultural Expressions (TCEs), and Genetic Resources (GRs)

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in cooperation with
the Fiji Intellectual Property Office, Ministry of Justice

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Wednesday, October 25, 2023

- 9.00 – 9.15 **Topic 1: Introduction to Intellectual Property (IP)**

Speaker: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre, Senior Counsellor,
Traditional Knowledge Division, Global
Challenges and Partnerships Sector, WIPO
- 9.15 – 10.00 **Topic 2: IP, Traditional Knowledge (TK), Traditional Cultural
Expressions (TCEs), and Genetic Resources (GRs)**

Speaker: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre
- 10.00 – 10.15 Tea/Coffee Break
- 10.15 – 11.15 **Exercise: IP, TK and TCEs – Group work and general discussion**

Facilitator: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre
- 11.15 – 11.45 **Topic 3: Challenges related to TK, TCEs and GRs-based
initiatives in real-life situations**

Facilitator: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre
- 11.45 – 12.30 **Exercise: How to address these challenges – Group work and
general discussion**

Facilitator: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch Break
- 14.00 – 15.00 **Exercise: How can IP support TK, TCEs and GRs-based projects?
Main takeaways – Group work and general discussion**

Facilitator: Ms. Begoña Venero Aguirre
- 15.00 – 15.15 Tea/Coffee Break
- 15.15 – 16.30 **Topic 4: Fiji’s Draft Bill on TK, TCEs and associated GRs**

Speaker: Mr. Eliesa Tuiloma, Consultant

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