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## The Hague System for Stakeholders in ASEAN Countries

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**PROGRAM** 

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This session is open to the public and moderated by a regional Hague System user.

#### Thursday, December 1, 2022 (Geneva time)

#### 9.00 – 9.10 Opening Remarks

Mr. Andrew Michael Ong, Director, Division for Asia and the Pacific, National and Regional Development Sector, WIPO

Ms. Wang Yi, Head, Hague Development and Promotion Section (HDPS), The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO

Mr. Teodoro Pascua, Deputy Director General, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

#### 9.10 – 9.30 Overview of the Hague System

Why protect industrial designs? What is the Hague System? Why is the Hague System an optimal choice? What are the main features and advantages of the Hague System? How does the System work?

Speaker: Ms. Sarah Lucek, Promotion and Information Assistant,

**HDPS** 

#### 9.30 – 10.00 Experience Sharing by a New Hague User

Speaker: Mr. Yan Yadong, IP Director, Beijing Roborock

Technology Co Ltd., Beijing

10.00 - 10.10 Break

### 10.10 – 10.40 Filing an International Application under the Hague System

Filing an international application from A to Z, including eHague, formality requirements and examination by the International Bureau, publication, possible substantive examination by the designated contracting parties, duration of protection, centralized management of international registrations, useful online tools and information.

Speaker: Mr. Jonah Asher, Coordinator, HDPS

#### 10.40 – 11.10 Experience Sharing by a Skilled Hague User from the ASEAN

Speaker: Mr. Binhong Ng, Legal Counsel, Igloocompany Pte Ltd.,

Singapore

#### 11.10 – 11.30 <u>Q&A Session</u>

This session is open to ASEAN Intellectual Property (IP) Offices only and moderated by a Representative either from the Hague Registry or from a regional IP Office (Hague member).

#### Friday, December 2, 2022 (Geneva time)

#### 9.00 – 9.10 Opening Remarks

Mr. Andrew Michael Ong

Ms. Wang Yi

Mr. Nelson P. Laluces, Deputy Director General, IPOPHL

# 9.10 – 9.40 Respective Roles of the Hague Registry and National IP Offices of Contracting Parties under the Hague System

The role of the Hague Registry: formality examination of international applications, irregularity notifications, and management of international registrations. The role of the designated Contracting Parties: specific requirements, substantive examination, possible refusals of international registrations and follow-up actions.

Speaker: Ms. Kateryna Gabriele, Examiner, Operations Service,

The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO

### 9.40 – 10.10 Group Discussion

Participation of the IP Offices of Brunei Darussalam (BruIPO), Cambodia (DIP/MISTI), and Viet Nam (IP Viet Nam).

10.10 – 10.20 Break

# 10.20 – 10.50 Procedures for Accession to the Geneva Act (1999) of The Hague Agreement

The preparatory work: research on the compatibility of domestic industrial design protection procedures and the Hague System; mandatory/possible declarations; legal, technical and practical issues for implementing the Hague System, including the schedule of fees, sending and exchanging data concerning the international registration of industrial designs.

Speaker: Ms. Geneviève Steimle, Legal Analyst and Information

Officer, HDPS

#### 10.50 – 11.20 Group Discussion

Participation of the IP Offices of Indonesia (DGIP), Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia (MyIPO), the Philippines (IPOPHL), Thailand (DIP) and other interested ASEAN countries.

#### 11.20 – 11.30 Closing Remarks

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