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## PROGRAM

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### **Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)**

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**Taguig City – November 10 and 11, 2015**

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Tuesday, November 10, 2015

9.00 – 9.30 Registration

9.30 – 9.45 OPENING CEREMONY

Welcome & addresses:

Ms. Lolibeth R. Medrano, Assistant Director, Bureau of Patents, Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

Ms. Anjali Aeri, Program Officer, International Cooperation Division, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Mr. Yasuhiro Minamigawa, Assistant Director, International Cooperation Division, Japan Patent Office (JPO)

THEME ONE: OVERVIEW OF THE PCT

9.45 – 10.30 Topic 1: The PCT System & Timeline

Speaker: WIPO

THEME TWO: PCT PROCEDURES & PRACTICES

10.30 – 11.15 Topic 2(a): Filing of an International Application. ePCT.

Speaker: WIPO

11.15 – 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 12.00 Topic 2(b): Priority Claims. Restoration of the Right of Priority

Speaker: WIPO

12.00 – 12.30 Topic 2(c): Correction of Defects Relating to the Filing of the Application

Speaker: WIPO

12.30 – 14.00 Lunch Break

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14.00 – 14.30 Topic 2(d): Functions of the Receiving Office. The International Bureau as Receiving Office.

Speaker: WIPO

14.30 – 15.00 Topic 2(e): IPOPHL as Receiving Office under the PCT

Speaker: Ms. Maria Rosario Z. Santos, Intellectual Property Rights Specialist III, PCT Section, Bureau of Patents, IPOPHL

15.00 – 15.15 Coffee Break

15.15 – 15.45 Topic 2(f): Functions of the International Bureau

Speaker: WIPO

15.45 – 16.15 Discussion – Q&A

End of Session

Wednesday, November 11, 2015

THEME THREE: PCT INTERNATIONAL SEARCH & PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

09.00 – 10.15 Topic 3(a): PCT International Search & Written Opinion of the ISA

Speaker: WIPO

10.15 – 10.30 Coffee Break

10.30 – 11.00 Topic 3(b): JPO's Handbook for PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination

Speaker: JPO

11.00 – 11.30 Topic 3(c): Quality Management and Time Management as ISA/IPEA

Speaker: JPO

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11.30 – 12.15 Topic 3(d): PCT International Publication; PATENTSCOPE®: A Tool for Access & Dissemination of International and National Patent Documents

Speaker: WIPO

12.15 – 14.00 Lunch Break

14.00 – 14.30 Topic 3(e): Amendments under the PCT; Articles 19 and 34

Speaker: WIPO

THEME FOUR: ENTRY INTO THE NATIONAL PHASE

14.30 – 15.00 Topic 4(a): Key Topics:

Applicable Time Limits for National Phase Entry - Early National Phase Entry

Furnishing of the Priority Document

Requirements Concerning Sequence Listings under PCT Rule 13ter.1 – Implication during the National Phase

Speaker: WIPO

15.00 – 15.15 Coffee Break

THEME FIVE: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS UNDER THE PCT

15.15 – 15.45 Topic 5(a): PCT-PPH (Patent Prosecution Highway) and related topics

Speaker: JPO

15.45 – 16.15 Topic 5(b): Amendments to the PCT Regulations and Future Developments

Speaker: WIPO

16.15 – 16.30 Discussion – Q&A

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16.30 - 16.40 CLOSING REMARKS

Mr. Epifanio M. Evasco, Director, Bureau of Patents, Intellectual Property  
Office of the Philippines (IPOP HL)

End of Session

Closing of Seminar