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## **WIPO-LAS MEETING ON RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE FIELD OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

organized by  
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with  
the League of Arab States (LAS)

**Cairo, August 30 and 31, 2003**

PROGRAM

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Saturday, August 30, 2003

- 9.00 – 9.30      Opening Ceremony
- Welcome addresses by:
- Representative of the League of Arab States, Cairo
- Representative of the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva
- 9.30 – 10.15      Historical Background of WIPO; its Functions, Constitutional Structure and Arab Contracting Parties
- Speaker:    Ms. Ola Zahran, Counsellor, Cooperation for Development Bureau for Arab Countries, WIPO
- 10.15 – 11.00      The Intellectual Property System and Economic Development
- Speaker:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho, Head, Industrial Property Law Section, Cooperation for Development (Intellectual Property Law) Department, WIPO
- 11.00 – 11.45      Protection Standards under the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement)
- Speakers:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho
- Mr. Richard Owens, Head, Copyright Electronic Commerce, Technology and Management Division, WIPO
- 11.45 – 12.15      Coffee Break
- 12.15 – 13.00      Report on the Work of the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights
- Speaker:    Mr. Richard Owens
- 13.00 – 13.45      Report on the Work of the Standing Committees in the Field of Industrial Property
- Speaker:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho
- 13.45 – 14.30      Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights
- Speaker:    Mr. Richard Owens

Sunday, August 31, 2003

- 9.00 – 9.45                      Copyright Protection in the Digital Environment  
Speaker:    Mr. Richard Owens
- 9.45 – 10.30                    The Patent System and Access to Drugs  
Speaker:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho
- 10.30 – 11.00                  Coffee Break
- 11.00 – 11.45                  WIPO's Work in the Area of Traditional Knowledge and Folklore  
Speaker:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho
- 11.45 – 12.30                  WIPO Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedures and Services  
Speaker:    Ms. Ola Zahran
- 12.30 – 13.15                  Overview of Recent Intellectual Property Disputes under the World  
Trade Organization (WTO) Dispute Settlement Body  
Speaker:    Mr. Nuno Carvalho
- 13.15 – 13.35                  Overview of the Cooperation for Development Program for Arab  
Countries  
Speaker:    Ms. Ola Zahran
- 13.35 – 14.00                  Functions and Activities of the LAS Intellectual Property Unit  
Speaker:    LAS representative
- 14.00 – 14.15                  Closing Ceremony

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