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organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with
the Japan Patent Office (JPO)

Tokyo, Japan, February 22 and 23, 2018

PROGRAM

prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

16.00 – 19.00 (optional event) JPO Tour (17.00-18.15):
a tour of its courtroom, demonstration of its patent, design and trademark examination practices etc.

Thursday, February 22, 2018

9.30 – 10.00 Registration

10.00 – 10.30 Opening ceremony

Welcome address by:

Mr. Masaki Ogushi, Parliamentary Vice-Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry, Government of Japan, Tokyo

Opening remarks by:

Ms. Naoko Munakata, Commissioner of the Japan Patent Office (JPO), Tokyo

10.30 – 10.50 Keynote address by:

Mr. Francis Gurry, Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

10.50 – 11.20 Coffee Break

11.20 – 13.00 **THEME I** **CHANGES IN THE IP SYSTEM RESPONDING TO THE TRENDS OF THE TIMES**

Panelists: Representatives from Brazil, Philippines, South Africa and Sri Lanka

Moderator: Mr. Ken-ichiro Natsume, Director, PCT International Cooperation Division, Patents and Technology Sector, WIPO

13.00 – 14.20 Lunch Break

14.20 – 15.50 **THEME II** **NEW CHALLENGES AND INITIATIVES ON IP POLICIES FOR PROMOTING INNOVATION**

Panelists: Representatives from India, Mexico, Morocco and Singapore

Moderator: Mr. Kunihiko Shimano, Deputy Commissioner of the JPO

15.50 – 16.20 Coffee Break

16.20 – 17.50 **THEME III** **INITIATIVES TO BUILD INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) AND PROVIDE USEFUL IP INFORMATION FOR ENSURING PROMPT AND APPROPRIATE PROTECTION/UTILIZATION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS (IPRs)**

Panelists: Representatives from Egypt, Indonesia, Japan and Nigeria

Moderator: Mr. Yoshiyuki Takagi, Assistant Director General, Global IP Infrastructure Sector, WIPO

18.30 – 20.30 Reception

Friday, February 23, 2018

9.00 – 10.20 **THEME IV** **INITIATIVES FOR DEVELOPING AND MANAGING HUMAN RESOURCES TO ENHANCE IP SYSTEM**

Panelists: Representatives from Thailand, Turkey, African Regional IP Organization (ARIPO) and Organisation africaine de la propriété intellectuelle (OAPI)

Moderator: Mr. Marc Séry-Koré, Director, Regional Bureau for Africa, Development Sector, WIPO

10.20 – 10.40 Coffee Break

10.40 – 12.40 **Roundtable Discussion** **Utilization of the IP System and Future Development of International Cooperation for Economic, Social and Cultural Development**

Panelists: Representatives from Cameroon, Chile, Kenya, Malaysia, Morocco, Pakistan, Samoa and Senegal

All participants and attendees

Moderator: Mr. Andrew Michael Ong

12.40 Closing remarks by:

Mr. Kunihiko Shimano

Excursion

14.00 – 19.00 Tour of “Miraikan”, the National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation (15.00-17.30)

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