## Speech of the Chairman of "Kyrgyzpatent" for the 55th annual WIPO General Assembly

Honorable Mr. Chairman

Distinguished Ministers, Permanent Representatives, Heads of Delegations, Ladies and Gentlemen!

It is my pleasure and privilege to address you on the behalf of the Government of Kyrgyz Republic.

I would like to assure you, that Kyrgyz Republic, being an active member of WIPO, fully supports the work of the Organization, as well as its initiatives aimed at achieving the best results for the benefit of all Member States of WIPO.

WIPO's activities contribute to the implementation of modern mechanisms aimed at strengthening the capacities and capabilities of national patent offices. In this area, we are actively cooperating with WIPO and other patent offices of WIPO Member States. We note that WIPO in recent years managed to carry out a number of successful projects in many countries, and we appreciate this fact, and look forward to continuing productive cooperation in this area.

We express the honor to the work of the Advisory Committee on Enforcement as a forum for the exchange of information on issues concerning intellectual property rights. Cooperation and coordination in dealing with this problem, particularly among law enforcement agencies at the national, regional and international levels, is essential. Supporting the work of the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore. We are aware of the complexity of the subject matter they deal with, and hope to achieve success in this area.

It is necessary to note the performance of the Committee on Development and Intellectual Property WIPO. Activities undertaken in the framework of the Committee positively reflected in the blossoming and improvement of the intellectual property system in all our countries.

In 2015, the activities of Kyrgyzpatent mainly focused on:

- Improving the quality of expertise in the provision of legal protection for IP and raising the level of protection for IP,
- The creation of elements of the national innovation system, including through the opening of new TISC's,
- Informing the public about the role and importance of IP and innovation,
  - The augmentation of intellectual creativity.

In addition, Kyrgyzpatent continues to work on the development of relations with patent offices of other countries, as well as training and professional growth of its employees in the field of IP protection.

I would like to say that we are deeply grateful to WIPO for the assistance provided in the advancement of the IP system of the Kyrgyz Republic, which enables the country to empower and protect their intellectual wealth. In particular, we express our gratitude for the

organization of international and regional seminars on intellectual property and protection of traditional knowledge, which have become a platform for the open discussions on relevant challenges in these areas.

We express the hope and interest in receiving consultative and technical assistance, from WIPO throughout the year 2016, on our way of devising the National Strategy of development of the Intellectual Property and Innovation 2017-2020.2

Kyrgyz Republic has expressed its interest in the work of several Committees, which are:

- Program and Budget Committee
- Committee on Development and Intellectual Property (CDIP)
- Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC)
- Advisory Committee on Enforcement (ACE)

Concluding my statement, I would like to once again acknowledge the gratitude to the Director General, senior management and the staff of WIPO for their continued support in the empowerment of the intellectual property system of the Kyrgyz Republic.