

Seminar on the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Geneva, October 31, 2013

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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- 9.00 – 9.30 Registration
- 9.30 – 9.45 Welcome Address by:

Mr. Yves Closet, Head, Information and Promotion Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva
- 9.45 – 10.15 **General Overview of the Hague System**

Objectives and Basic Features of The Hague System

Geneva Act of The Hague Agreement and Latest Developments

Speaker: Ms. Betty Berendson, Senior Information Officer, Information and Promotion Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO
- 10.15 – 11.00 **The New E-Filing Interface for the International Registration of Industrial Designs under the Hague Agreement**

How to Use the New E-Filing Environment:
Create a User Account; File an Application; and Manage your Applications through the E-Filing Portfolio Manager

How to File an International Application through the New E-Filing Interface
Practical Exercises

Speaker: Mr. Patrick Cartant, Head, Operations Service, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO
- 11.00 – 11.15 Coffee Break
- 11.15 – 12.15 **International Application and Examination**

Examination of an Application by the International Bureau of WIPO

Irregularities

Examination and Requirements Concerning Reproductions

Speaker: Mr. Patrick Cartant, WIPO
- 12.15 – 12.30 Questions
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch

- 14.00 – 14.45 **International Registration**
- Publication and Deferment of Publication
- Possibility of Refusal
- Effects of an International Registration
- Speaker: Mr. Hiroshi Okutomi, Legal Officer, Legal Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO
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- 14.45 – 15.30 **Managing an International Registration**
- Change in Ownership and Other Changes
- Renewal
- Speaker: Ms. Kateryna Gurinenko, Assistant-Examiner, Operations Service, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector, WIPO
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- 15.30 – 16.30 **Advantages of The Hague System from the Users' Point of View**
- General Discussion
- Speaker: Mr. Bernard Volken, Attorney-at-Law, Fuhrer Marbach and Partner, Bern
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- 16:30 – 17.00 Discussions and closing

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