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CONFERENCE ON INNOVATION AND CLIMATE CHANGE

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Geneva, July 11 and 12, 2011

GENERAL INFORMATION

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1. INTRODUCTION

The World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) will hold a Conference on Innovation and Climate Change at the International Conference Center Geneva (CICG) on July 11 and 12, 2011.

2. OPENING

The Conference will open on Monday, July 11, 2011, at 9.30 a.m. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish. This event is open to the general public.

3. VENUE

International Conference Center Geneva (CICG) - Room 1 17, rue de Varembé, 1211 Geneva Telephone: (41 22) 791 91 11. Local calls dial only 022 791 91 11

For more information please consult: www.cicg.ch/en

4. SAFETY AND SECURITY AND ACCESS TO THE CICG CONFERENCE PREMISES

Access to the CICG venue will be limited to persons wearing a conference admission badge, UN system accredited badge, or CICG staff badge. Participants are advised that all delegates, observers, media representatives, WIPO Secretariat staff, and all technical and CICG support staff, will only be admitted to the conference premises upon presentation of these badges.

5. REGISTRATION

Registration is free of charge and should be made on-line at http://www.wipo.int/climate/en/registration. Deadline of registration: July 6, 2011.

6. CONFERENCE ADMISSION BADGES

Admission badges are issued to participants at the registration desk. Participants are requested to wear their badges visibly at all times when they are in the Conference Center and in the WIPO buildings.

The WIPO registration desk is situated in the main entrance lobby of the Conference Center. The desk will open for registration on Monday, July 11, 2011, from 8.00 a.m. Telephone: (41 22) 791 91 11.

7. TELEPHONE AND COMMUNICATION

Local and international calls can be made from public telephones located at the Post Office and in the Conference Center. Tax cards for this purpose can be purchased at the Post Office. All incoming communications should be made to the WIPO Reception Desk at the Conference Center: Telephone: (41 22) 791 91 11. Local calls dial only 022 791 91 11.

8. INTERNET

Wi-Fi is available throughout the Conference Center for delegates who have their own laptops.

9. TRAVEL/HOTELS

Participants are kindly requested to take note of the following:

(a) Visa

All necessary arrangements for a visa for entry to Switzerland must be made before departure.

(b) Hotel accommodation

Information on hotels is available at the Geneva Tourist Office's site: www.geneve-tourisme.ch.

(c) Travel

The American Express Travel agency is available at the WIPO Headquarters if assistance is required with travel arrangements:

Opening hours: Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Telephone: (41-22) 3387 800; Local calls dial only 022 3387 800;

e-mail: ax.wipo@aexp.com

10. TAXIS

The nearest taxi rank is situated on chemin Louis-Dunant. Taxis may be called by dialing (41 22) 320 22 02 or (41 22) 320 20 20. Local calls dial only 022 320 22 02 or 022 320 20 20.

A request for a taxi can also be made through the WIPO Receptionist at the Conference Center.

11. PUBLIC TRANSPORT

From the Airport, it takes about 10 to 15 minutes to the center of Geneva by bus lines 5, 10 and 28. The airport is also connected to the central railway station "Gare Cornavin" by train. You can pick up a free ticket for public transport from the machine in the baggage collection area at the Arrival level. This ticket allows you to use public transport in Geneva free of charge for a period of 80 minutes (see http://www.gva.ch/en/desktopdefault.aspx/tabid-67/).

The Conference Center may be reached by bus or tram from the center of Geneva center or "Gare Cornavin".

Bus and tram stops nearby the conference center:

Bus stop: "Vermont" - Bus line 5
Bus stop: "UIT" - Bus lines 8, 11

Bus/Tram stop: "Nations" - Bus lines 28, F, V, Z

- Tram lines 13 and 15

Bus and Tram tickets can be purchased from the machine by selecting the "Tout Genève" option which is valid for 60 minutes for Sfr. 3. Please note that the exact amount of coins must be used as the machine does not return change. For further details please consult: www.tpg.ch.

12. RESTAURANTS

The Conference Center coffee bar is open from 7.45 a.m to 5 p.m. A self-service cafeteria is in operation on the premises during lunch hours.

Participants may also use the cafeteria located in the nearby WIPO buildings. In addition, there are a number of restaurants in the vicinity offering a wide range of cuisine.

13. OTHER FACILITIES AVAILABLE AT OR NEAR THE CONFERENCE CENTER

(a) Postal service

The Post Office is located on the ground floor of the Conference Center. Hours: 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 2 to 6 p.m.

(b) <u>Cloakroom</u>

A self-service cloakroom, situated in the main entrance of the hall of the Conference

(c) Bank

A branch of the Union de Banques Suisses (UBS) is situated across the street from the Conference Center at 17 chemin Louis-Dunant.

Opening hours: 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. (Monday to Friday)

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