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RON MARCHANT

Ron joined the UK Patent Office in 1969 as a Patent Examiner after graduating from London University with BSc (hons) Chemistry. In early 1980 he was responsible for the functionality and implementation of the patent aspects of the UK Patent Office's first computer implementation, which went on to win an award from the British Computer Society. He became personnel manager and reactivated examiner recruitment, and managed the move of the examining staff from London to South Wales in 1990.

In 1992 Ron became Director of Patents and implemented a program "Meeting the Future" designed to align the operation of the Directorate more closely with the post-EPO context, concentrating on quality and timeliness of services, and also forming a special unit to deal with unrepresented applicants. At the time he also began to be active at meetings in the EPO and WIPO, taking part in the Treaties on Patent Law and Designs. He became a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

Ron became Chief Executive and Comptroller General in 2003 and in his three years took special interest in building strong customer services and policies that would provide meaningful and accessible IPR to SMEs. He was a leading player in the EPO Strategic debate and in building synergy between the EPO and the operations of the Patent Offices of its Member States. In the WIPO context Ron took an active interest in the role of IP in assisting Developing Countries and played a leading role in the debates on the Development Agenda. He is also linked with moves to improve the Governance of the organization, a position based on his own experience of the increasing importance of Governance within the public sector. Ron has a longstanding commitment to making the international patent system more effective and efficient, improving access and quality. In this context he has been actively discussing "mutual recognition" for many years. He was, therefore, delighted to sign a Patent Prosecution Highway Agreement with the Japanese Patent Office, and to agree the principal of one with the USPTO, before his retirement from the UK Office in March 2007.

In recognition of his achievements Ron was awarded the EPO medal in 2006 and the Best Achievement in National and International affairs by The European IP Awards "World Leaders". He was made a Companion of the Order of the Bath (CB) in the New Years Honours of 2007.

Since retiring as CEO Ron chaired an EU Expert Group on IP and SMEs, whose report was published in October 2007, and has presented at many meetings, seminars, and workshops addressing IP and innovation, especially as affecting SMEs, Countries in Transition, and Developing Countries.

ROWENA PAGUIO

Ms. Rowena S. Paguio, a national of the Philippines, is currently Senior Counsellor at the Office of the Deputy Director General, Cooperation for Development (CFD) Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). In this capacity, she provides advise and assistance to the Deputy Director General in policy formulation and undertakes coordination functions for the overall implementation of WIPO's global development cooperation program, focusing on the strategic use of intellectual property for development in developing and least developed countries.

Prior to this, she was the Head of the WIPO Office in Singapore, a post she occupied for 4 years from 2005 to 2009. Her main responsibility was to promote closer relations and cooperation between WIPO and the Governments in the Asia and the Pacific region, the private sector as well as civil society.

Prior to joining WIPO in 1997, Ms. Paguio worked at the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) in Vienna, Austria, from 1989 to 1997, as Industrial Development Officer at the Investments and Technology Promotion Division.

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SHIRLEY LEUNG WONG CHIU WING

Mrs. Shirley Leung is the Head of Public Services of the University Library System at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and the Executive Board member of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) Committee on Copyright and Other Legal Matters (CLM). She is also the Chair of the Copyright Committee for the Joint University Librarians Advisory Committee (JULAC) which represents the collective views of eight libraries of all government-funded tertiary institutions in Hong Kong.

Mrs. Leung obtained her Bachelor of Science and Advanced Diploma in Education from The University of Hong Kong. She was awarded a postgraduate scholarship and received her MA in Library and Information Studies from the University College London (UCL). She presented in the 2004 WIPO Regional Symposium on Copyright in Educational Institutions and Libraries in the Digital Era held in Hong Kong.

TOM PETER MIGUN OGADA

Professor Tom Peter Migun Ogada, is a Kenyan national, and an associate professor of energy and environmental engineering. He is currently the Managing Director of T&P Innovation and Technology Management Services and an Advisor to British Council's African Knowledge Transfer Partnership.

Prior to this, he has been the Managing Director of the Kenya Industrial Research and Development Institute (2006-2009) and Managing Director of Moi University Holdings Limited (2003-2006) – a technology transfer unit of Moi University.

Professor Ogada has been a consultant of WIPO since 2000. He prepared for WIPO *Guidelines for developing IP policies for universities and research organizations in Africa and A Brochure on Intellectual Property Rights for Universities and R&D Institutions in Africa*. Prof Ogada has also trained several officers in many African countries on IP Audit and formulating national IP strategies. Currently he has been contracted by WIPO to develop toolkit for developing national IP strategy

He holds a masters degree in mechanical engineering from Minsk, USSR, PhD in Chemical Engineering from Hamburg-Germany and MBA in strategic management from Moi University- Kenya

SHINJIRO ONO

Mr. Ono graduated from Tokyo Metropolitan University, Faculty of Engineering, and Department of Industrial Chemistry (B.S.). In April 1970, he joined the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and from 1978 to 1979, Mr. Ono studied abroad in the United States (Chemical Abstracts Service, American Chemical Society). From 1982-85, he was First Secretary of the Permanent Mission of Japan (Ministry of Foreign Affairs), Geneva, Switzerland.

Subsequently, Mr. Ono held several high positions in the Japan Patent Office (JPO). From 1998 to 2001, he was Director-General of the Fourth (Chemical) Examination Department, then from 2001 to 2002, Director-General of Appeals Department. Mr. Ono was appointed Deputy Commissioner in June 2002 and served as his post until October 2005.

During his tenure as Deputy Commissioner, he engaged in significantly strengthening the examination system in order to achieve timely high quality patent examination, which is essential to transform Japan into an intellectual property-based nation, and vigorously advanced Trilateral (EPO, USPTO, JPO) Cooperation in patent examination and the international harmonization of IP systems to globally support the acquisition of rights. He led in proposing a "Patent Prosecution Highway and new Route" by JPO, designed to contribute to solve the "Timing issue" among Trilateral Offices. He has taken initiative in establishing examination policies and in conducting comparative studies among Trilateral Offices in fields of cutting-edge technologies, such as gene-related inventions and medical treatment, including medical inventions.

He is currently a managing partner and head of patent division with the firm of YUASA and HARA as of October 2005 and appointed as a member of Board of Advisors for the International Intellectual Property Institute in Washington, D.C. as of February 2006. Since 2002, he has been a repeated invited speaker and panelist at the CASRIP High Technology Protection Summit.

WEN XIKAI

Mrs. Wen Xikai is now Professor of China Intellectual Property Training Center(CIPTC). She retired from the post of Deputy D.G. and Secretary General of the Office of the National Intellectual Property Strategy Formulation Leading Group (NIPSO) in April 2007.

Mrs. Wen Xikai was graduated from the English Literature Faculty, the Foreign Languages Department of Nanjing University, PRC in 1968. She got a Master of Science in 1986 in the Post-Graduate Institute of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. She was visiting scholar in Centre d'Etude International Pour la Propriete Industrielle (CEIPI), France, in 1979 and research scholar in the London School of Economics and Political Study, London, UK in 1989.

She joined the Chinese Patent Office in 1981 and has been working in the Legal Affairs Department of the CPO since then. She took part in most of the important activities in the drafting, revision and comparative studies of patent laws for all these years. She also participated in a series of important international negotiation activities relating to IPR. She was member of the Chinese delegation for Sino-US IPR negotiations from 1990-1994, and for the TRIPS Council session negotiations from 2001-2004.

Mrs. Wen Xikai was Deputy Director General of the Law and Treaty Dept. of SIPO from 1991-2005 and had been Director of the Research Institute of Patent Laws of the CPO. Her past social concurrent posts include Deputy Secretary General of the Chinese Group of AIPPI (since 1984); Adjudicator of the Trademark Review and Adjudication Board, State Administration of Industry and Commerce (since 1992), legal council of Beijing People's courts in the field of IPR (since 1995) etc. Her present social concurrent posts include arbitrator of Beijing Arbitration Association, PRC (since 1994), part-time legal professor of Beijing University, part-time legal professor of Beijing Chemical Industry University, Guest Research Fellow of the Institute for International Intellectual Property of Peking University etc. She was the author or chief editor of several monographs and has contributed several dozens of papers or translations relating to IPR.

XIAOHUA ZHANG

Dr. Xiaohua Zhang, a national of China, is currently Program Officer at the Adaptation, Technology and Science Program of UN Climate Change Secretariat. In this capacity, he provides support to the negotiation of technology issue under the UNFCCC and the work of the Expert Group on Technology Transfer, focusing on technology information, financing development and transfer of technologies, long term strategies and intellectual property related issues.

Prior to this, he was member of Chinese delegate to climate change conference from 2003-2006 and worked at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China from 1999 to 2007 on the issue energy system analysis and mitigation of climate change.

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