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9.30 a.m. – 9.40 a.m. **Opening Session**

Welcome addresses by:

* IP Australia
* Mr. Yoshiyuki Takagi, Assistant Director General, Global Infrastructure Sector (GIS), WIPO

9.40 a.m. – 10.00 a.m. **Topic 1:** **Introduction to WIPO – Major Intellectual Property Economic Studies - WIPO SMEs programs and success stories and challenges in Australia**

Speakers: Mr. Victor Vázquez López, Head, Section for Coordination of Developed countries, Department for Transition and Developed Countries (TDC), WIPO

Mr. Ben Mitra-Khan, Chief Economist, IP Australia

10.00 a.m. – 10.25 a.m. **Topic 2:** **The Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) – update on ePCT and future developments**

Speaker: Ms. Christine Bonvallet, Senior Legal Officer, PCT Legal Division, Patent and Technology Sector (PTS)

10.25 a.m. – 10.45 a.m. **Topic 3:** **Global Databases for Intellectual Property Platforms and Tools for the Connected Knowledge Economy**

**Access to Global IP knowledge – how WIPO Global Databases help business enhance their innovative competitiveness, and how WIPO GREEN and RE:SEARCH are bringing IP to life**

Speaker: Mr. Yoshiyuki Takagi, WIPO

10.45 a.m. – 10.55 a.m. **Topic 4:** **Alternative Dispute Resolution – practical tips**

Speaker: Mr. Victor Vázquez López, WIPO

10.55 a.m. – 11.10 a.m. Coffee break

11.10 a.m. – 11.40 a.m. **Topic 5:** **(TBC)**

Speaker: Ms. Brigitte Smith, Co-founder and Managing Partner, GBS Venture Partners

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11.40 a.m. – 12.00 p.m. **Topic 6:** **Madrid and Hague – improvements to systems – Madrid Goods and Services Manager, ROMARIN**

Speaker: Mr. Neil Wilson, Director, Registries Support Division, Brands and Designs Sector (BDS), WIPO

12.00 p.m. – 12.30 p.m. **Open Discussion – Questions and Answers**

Speakers: All speakers

12.30 p.m. – 12.33 p.m. **CLOSING SESSION**

12.33 p.m. – 1.30 p.m. Networking lunch

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