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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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Monday, September 6, 2021 (EET time)

Moderators:

- Mr. Alexandru Tabuşca, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Dean School of Computer Science for Business Management, Romanian American-University, Bucharest (onsite-first day)
- Mr. Mihai Olariu, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Vice-dean School of Law, Romanian-American University, Bucharest (onsite-second day)
- Mr. Ryszard Frelek, Program Officer, Section for Central European and Baltic States and Mediterranean Countries (CEBS), World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva (online)

14.00 – 14.15 **Opening Ceremony**

Welcome addresses by:

Mr. Razvan Pop, Director General, Romanian Copyright Office (ORDA), Bucharest

Mr. Catalin Burcescu, Director General, Romanian Patent Office (OSIM), Bucharest

Ph.D. Prof. Costel Negricea, Rector, Romanian-American University, Bucharest

Mr. Guy Pessach, Director, IP for Business Division, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

14.15 – 15.00 Setting-up the Stage: The Gaming Industry Today and Tomorrow

History, Future, Pandemic, Internationalization of Production, Democratization of the Market, e-Sports, Developers, Publishers, Gamers, Platform Developers

Speakers: Ms. Donna Hill, Manager, WIPO for Creators, Copyright Management Division, WIPO

> Mr. David Greenspan, Visiting Lecturer, School of Law, Santa Clara University, San Clara, California, United States of America

> Ms. Andreea Medvedovici Per, Vice-President, European Game Developers Federation (EGDF), BizDev at KillHouse Games, Bucharest

15.00 – 16.15 **Bread and Butter or Intellectual Property (IP) and Videogames**

Patent, Trademarks, Designs, Copyright, Trade Secrets

Speakers: Dr. Gaetano Dimita, Senior Lecturer, International Intellectual Property Law, Centre for Commercial Law Studies, Queen Mary University of London

Mr. Christian Fonnesbech, Head, IP Development, Leverage Partnership, Copenhagen

Mr. Bisser Dyankov, Producer, Haemimont Games, Sofia

Mr. Adrian Negoita, Director, Patent and Innovation Support Department, the Romanian Patent Office (OSIM), Bucharest

16.15 – 16.30 Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.15 Your Avatar is Playing with Artificial Intelligence (AI) in the Cloud: Emerging IP Issues in the Gaming Industry

Cloud Gaming and IP, Virtual Goods, Avatars, Gamers as Creators, AI in Videogames

Speakers: Dr. Gaetano Dimita

Mr. Giuseppe Crugliano, CEO and Creative Director of PlayMagic Ltd, Mosta, Malta (tbc)

17.15 – 17.30 **Questions & Answers Session**

Tuesday, September 7, 2021 (EET time)

14.15 – 15.15 License to Create Worlds: Licensing IP in the Gaming Industry

Licensing or Creating Original Content, Licensing Agreements with Publishers and Platform Developers

Speakers: Mr. David Greenspan

Ms. Kinga Palinska, Legal Counsel, IP & Development, CD Projekt Red, Warsaw

Mr. Dan Teodorescu, Co-Founder & Producer, Metagame, Bucharest

Ms. Andreea Medvedovici Per

15.15 – 16.15 World of Indie: Small Game Developers and their Challenges and Opportunities

Small Independent Studios Enforcing IP, Mobile Gaming, Platform Access

Speakers: Ms. Tamara Nanayakkara, Counsellor, IP for Business Division (IPBD), IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, WIPO

Mr. George Lemnaru, CEO, Green Horse Games, Bucharest

Mr. Catalin Boitor, Game Developer and Founder, Hive Soft Game Development Studio, Bucharest

Ms. Andreea Medvedovici Per

16.15 – 16.30 Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.15 How to Adopt: Digital Business Models for SMEs during Pandemic and Post-Pandemic Times

Doing Business Digitally, Art Commercialization, Adoption or Improvisation

Speakers: Ms. Irina Florescu, Visual Artist, Bucharest

Ms. Silvana Dulama-Popa, Co-founder, Curator and Creative Director, MECENA.ART, Bucharest

- 17.15 17.30 Questions & Answers Session
- 17.30 17.45 **Summing-up and Closing**

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