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Kigali, Rwanda, December 10 to 12, 2018

PROGRAM

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Monday, December 10, 2018

09.00 – 09.30

Registration

Welcome/Opening Remarks by:

Mr. John Kabare, Intellectual Property Operations Executive,
African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO),
Harare

Mr. Akiyoshi Imaura, Director, Regional Cooperation Office,
International Cooperation Division, Japan Patent Office (JPO),
Tokyo

Mr. Richard Kayibanda, Registrar General, Rwanda
Development Board (RDB), Kigali

Ms. 'Nyalleng Pii, Senior Program Officer, PCT International
Cooperation Division, PCT Legal and International Affairs
Department, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO),
Geneva

09.30 – 10.15

Topic 1:

Introduction to the Patent System and Challenges Facing Developing Countries

Speaker: Mr. Christopher Kiige, Intellectual Property
Consultant, Kampala

10.15 – 10.30

Coffee Break

10.30 – 11.30

Topic 2:

WIPO and the International Patent System: The PCT at the Centre of the International Patent System - the General Overview, Advantages for Offices and Applicants, Statistics

Speaker: Ms. 'Nyalleng Pii

11.30 – 12.15

Topic 3:

ARIPO and the Regional Patent System - An Overview

Speaker: Mr. John Kabare

12.15 – 13.00

Topic 4:

Introduction to the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and its Function as a Receiving Office Under the PCT

Speaker: Mr. Akiyoshi Imaura

13.00 – 14.30

Lunch Break

14.30 – 17.00

Topic 5:

(i) Filing of an International Application: ePCT Demonstration (ii) Strategic Use of International Applications: JPO (iii) Filing of an International Application: ARIPO

Speakers: Ms. 'Nyalleng Pii
Mr. Akiyoshi Imaura
Mr. John Kabare

17.00 – 17.30

Questions, Discussion, Coffee

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

- 9.00 – 10.15 **Topic 6:** **International Search and Preliminary Examination under the PCT - The Experience of JPO**
- Speaker: Mr. Akiyoshi Imaura
- 10.15 – 11.00 Coffee Break
- 10.00 – 12.00 **Topic 7:** **The PCT as a Source of Patent Information - Introduction to PATENTSCOPE**
- Speakers: Ms. Sandrine Ammann, Marketing and Communications Officer, Global Infrastructure Sector, WIPO, Geneva
- Mr. Christopher Kiige
- 12.00 – 13.00 **Topic 8:** **PATENTSCOPE: How to Perform a Search, Translate Functionalities, Result List, IPC Cat**
- Speaker: Ms. Sandrine Ammann
- 13.00 – 14.15 Lunch
- 14.15 – 15.15 **Topic 9:** **Processing of ARIPO Applications**
- Speaker: Mr. John Kabare
- 15.15 – 16.15 **Topic 10:** **ARIPO Patent Statistics**
- Speaker: Mr. John Kabare
- 16.15 – 16.45 **Topic 11:** **Introduction to ARIPO e-Services**
- Speaker: Mr. John Kabare
- 16.45 – 17.15 Questions, Discussion, Coffee

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

- 09.00 – 10.00 **Topic 12:** **PATENTSCOPE - Practical Exercises**
- Speaker: Ms. Sandrine Ammann
- 10.00 – 10.45 **Topic 13:** **The Use of the Patent System and the PCT in Promoting Research and Development and Stimulating Transfer of Technology. Challenges Facing Developing Countries**
- Speaker: Mr. Christopher Kiige
- 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee Break

- 11.00 – 13.00 **Topic 14:** **Intellectual Property Advantage - Case Studies on the PCT**
- Speakers: Mr. Akiyoshi Imaura
 Mr. John Kabare
 Mr. Christopher Kiige
 Ms. 'Nyalleng Pii
- 13.00 – 14.00 Lunch Break
- 14.00 – 15.45 **Topic 15:** **National IP Offices Roundtable. Policies for Fostering Increase Use of PCT in PCT Contracting States**
- Speakers: Mr. Chifwayi Mwiza Kamoza Chirambo, Chief Assistant Registrar General, Department of the Registrar General, Blantyre
- Mr. Honorio Francisco Ernesto Cumbi, Study Department Coordinator, Industrial Property Institute, Maputo
- Ms. Elizabeth Manyenyane Mamoretlo Mohapi, Senior Industrial Property Counsel, Registrar General's Office, Maseru
- Ms. Batumelo Brenda Mosito, Team Manager, Legal Administration, Companies and Intellectual Property Commission, Johannesburg
- Mr. John Kabare
 Mr. Christopher Kiige
 Ms. 'Nyalleng Pii
- 16.00 – 16.30 Closing

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