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ANNEX IV

SCIT WORK PROGRAM

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TASKS CARRIED OVER FROM THE PCIPI

| Task [assigned to] | Description | Next Action |
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| *Task No. 1 [SDWG] | Monitor the changeover to electronic data carriers and update technical guidelines as necessary | Study by IB |
| Task No. 2 [SDWG] | Elaborate a WIPO standard concerning making patent documents available on mixed-mode CD-ROM | Study by IB |
| Task No. 3 [SDWG] | Monitor the inclusion of information about entry into the national (regional) phase of published PCT international applications in the EPIDOS/PRS database | EPO's report in SDWG |
| *Task No. 4 [SDWG] | Consider the need for common field name tags in databases contained in Intellectual Property Digital Libraries | Study by IB |
| Task No. 5 [SDWG] | Elaborate a WIPO standard which provides guidance to industrial property offices for issuing, in machine-readable form, industrial property gazettes and other similar publications | Study by IB |
| *Task No. 6 [SDWG] | Revise WIPO Standards ST.30, ST.31, ST.32, ST.33, ST. 35 and ST.40 | Report by Task Force in SDWG/1 |
| *Task No. 7 [SDWG] | (a) Revise WIPO Standard ST.14 to cover references obtained from the Internet and used as citations | |
| | (b) Investigate whether supplementary correction codes should be included as a further data element under paragraph 11(a) of WIPO Standard ST.14 | IB's proposal prior to SDWG/1 |

Notes: The Tasks indicated by an asterisk are considered of urgent priority.

IB: International Bureau

TF: Task Force

IIWG: Information Infrastructure Working Group SDWG: Standards and Documentation Working Group

ISWG: Information Security Working Group

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| Task No. 8 [SDWG] | Study the use of optical disc systems as mass storage media for industrial property information | Study by IB |
| Task No. 9 [IB] | Collect information concerning the stability in the long term of digital optical discs and the security of supply of information recorded thereon | Study by IB |
| *Task No. 10 [SDWG] | Monitor the development of electronic filing of patent and trademark applications and, where appropriate, elaborate a WIPO Standard, and provide developing countries with technical assistance in this area | Report in SCIT/2 |
| *Task No. 11 [SDWG] | Monitor the development of the trilateral standards related to machine-readable data and receive a report from the Delegations of the European Patent Office, the Japanese Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office at each meeting | Report in SCIT/2 |
| Task No. 12 [SDWG] | Promote the exchange of information related to the development of automation of trademark information | Report in SCIT/2 |
| Task No. 13 [SDWG] | Elaborate a WIPO Standard for the electronic exchange between offices of information relating to trademark applications and registrations | Study by IB |
| Task No. 14 [SDWG] | Prepare a recommendation on how figurative elements of marks should be captured in electronic form and how they should be displayed on visual display units (VDUs) | Study by IB |
| Task No. 15 [SDWG] | Prepare minimum technical standards for trademark search systems online or on CD-ROM | Study by IB |
| Task No. 16 [SDGW] | Study the consequences of electronic filing on the production of certified office copies with particular reference to those used for priority purposes | Study by IB |
| Task No. 17 [SDWG] | Study the practical questions associated with downloading in the context of library use | Study by IB |

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| Task No. 18 [IB] | Collect and distribute Annual Technical Reports on Patent, Trademark and Industrial Design Information Activities of the SCIT members (ATR/PI, ATR/TM, ATR/ID) | Publication by IB |
| Task No. 19 [IB] | Monitor the development of, and report to the appropriate body on, WIPO publications on CD-ROM | Report in SCIT/2 |
| Task No. 20 [IB] | Report on activities of WIPO in respect of: (a) updating the <i>Handbook on Industrial Property Information and Documentation</i> (b) the collection of Industrial Property Statistics (c) the Journal of Patent Associated Literature (JOPAL) (d) the List of Periodicals Established under PCT Rule 34.1(b)(iii) | Report in SCIT/2 |
| Task No. 21 [IB] | Update the study relating to the provision by an industrial property office of a Web site and conduct a survey of the intentions of industrial property offices in respect of making searchable industrial property information available on the Internet | Update by IB |

NEW TASKS:

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| [assigned to] *Task No. 22 [IIWG] | Oversee the establishment and operation of the WIPO Global Information Network | Report by IB for SCIT/2 and IIWG/1 |
| *Task No. 23 [IIWG] | Undertake pilot projects to evaluate viable, cost- effective and user-friendly solutions for the streamlining and automation of intellectual property administration functions, in particular, those solutions most suitable for small intellectual property offices | Work by IB |
| *Task No. 24 [IIWG] | Provide small intellectual property offices in developing countries with the minimum hardware and software necessary for Internet access | Work by IB |
| Task No. 25 [SDWG] | Elaborate new standards, when necessary, for the exchange of intellectual property data on the network | Proposal by IB with Task Force |
| Task No. 26 [SDWG] | Recommend a coordinated information dissemination policy regarding intellectual property information on the network | Study by IB |
| Task No. 27 [ISWG] | Identify technical issues in relation to the exchange of unpublished data and undertake pilot projects to find viable technical solutions | Study by IB |
| Task No. 28 [ISWG] | Study the potential of electronic commerce, its infrastructure and the usage of tools therefor by intellectual property offices | Study by IB |
| Task No. 29 [IB] | Provide intellectual property offices in developing countries with training necessary for the use of the Global Information Network in its applications | Preparatory work by IB |
| *Task No. 30 [IB] | Undertake pilot projects to start, and where in existence, expand the Intellectual Property Digital Libraries | Work by IB |
| *Task No. 31 [IB] | Assist small intellectual property offices in acquiring CD-ROMs to enhance accessing search of patent information | Work by IB |

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| Task No. 32 [IB] | Develop reference resources useful for intellectual property offices to be made available on the network | Procurement by IB |
| Task No. 33 [IB] | Undertake pilot projects to facilitate the WIPO Worldwide Academy initiatives | Preparatory work by IB |
| Task No. 34 [IB] | Undertake pilot projects to use Internet-based communication tools for task forces and adoption of a meeting report | Work by IB |
| *Task No. 35 [IIWG and TF] | Assist the International Bureau in preparing the Request for Proposals for the Global Information Network including, in particular: (a) Assessment of technical requirements to provide network services for the intellectual property offices in the light of their existing information infrastructure determined through a technical inventory (b) Establishment of technical requirements for data exchange between intellectual property offices, including the exchange of unpublished data, by means of a survey of the needs of the intellectual property offices for such exchange | Report by IB |
| Task No. 36 [IB] | Monitor and participate in relevant Internet and information technology standard-setting bodies | Work by IB |

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