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## SEMINAR

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**DATE: APRIL 20, 2017**

# **Seminar for the Group of Fifteen Member Countries on Issues, Options and Experiences in Developing National Policies and Legislation on Intellectual Property and the Protection of Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions**

*co-organized by*  
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

the Government of Sri Lanka

*and*

the Group of Fifteen (G15)

**Colombo, Sri Lanka, April 24 and 25, 2017**

## PROGRAM

*prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO*

Monday, April 24, 2017

9.00 am – 9.30 am	Registration
9.30 am – 10.00 am	<b>Inauguration</b>  Receiving the guests, lightning the traditional lamp oil and National Anthem of Sri Lanka  Welcoming address by Mr. Chinthaka S. Lokuhetti, Secretary, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Sri Lanka  Introductory remarks by His Excellency Mr. Ravinatha Aryasinha, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the United Nations in Geneva, Consul General of Sri Lanka to Switzerland, Chairman of the Personal Representatives of the Group of Fifteen  Introductory remarks by Mr. Minelik Alemu Getahun, Assistant Director General, Global Issues Sector, WIPO  Address by the Chief Guest, Hon. Rishad Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry and Commerce, Sri Lanka
10.00 am – 10.15 am	Coffee break  <b>Commencement of the Seminar</b>  Morning session chaired by Mr. Gihan Indraguptha, Head, Technical Support Facility of the G15, Geneva
10.15 am – 11.00 am	<b>Getting to Know One Another – Introductions and Expectations</b>  Facilitator: Ms. Miranda Risang Ayu Palar, Law Lecturer and Researcher, Faculty of Law, Universitas Padjadjaran, Bandung, Indonesia  Mr. Claudio Chiarolla, Legal Officer, Traditional Knowledge Division (TKD), Global Issues Sector, WIPO
11.00 am – 12.00 pm	<b>Traditional Knowledge (TK) and Traditional Cultural Expressions (TCEs): An Overview of Policy and Legal Issues from an Intellectual Property (IP) Perspective</b>  Speaker: Mr. Claudio Chiarolla
12.00 pm – 14.00 pm	Lunch

Afternoon session chaired by Mr. Wend Wendland, Director,  
Traditional Knowledge Division, Global Issues Sector, WIPO

14.00 pm – 14.45 pm

**International Normative Developments and Complementary  
Capacity-building Services offered by WIPO: Relevance for  
the Development of National Policies and Legislation on IP,  
TK and TCEs**

Speaker: Mr. Wend Wendland

14.45 pm – 16.00 pm

**Towards Developing a National Strategy and Policy on IP, TK  
and TCEs: Issues and Key Questions**

Speaker: Mr. Claudio Chiarolla

16.00 pm – 16.30 pm

Coffee break

16.30 pm – 17.15 pm

**Towards Developing a National Strategy and Policy on IP, TK  
and TCEs: Issues and Key Questions from a National  
Perspective**

Speaker: Ms. Miranda Risang Ayu Palar

19.00 pm – 21.00 pm

Reception hosted by Hon. Rishard Bathiudeen, Minister of Industry  
and Commerce of Sri Lanka

Tuesday, April 25, 2017

Morning session chaired by His Excellency Mr. Ravinatha  
Aryasinha

9.30 am – 11.30 am

**Exchange of National Experiences, Examples and  
Information regarding National Policies and Legislation in  
G15 Member Countries (by sub-themes)**

Moderators: Mr. Wend Wendland

Mr. Gihan Indraguptha

Ms. Miranda Risang Ayu Palar

11.30 am – 12.00 pm

Coffee break

12.00 pm – 12.45 pm

**Exchange of National Experiences, Examples and Information regarding National Policies and Legislation in G15 Member Countries: Highlights (by sub-themes)**

Moderators: Mr. Wend Wendland  
Mr. Gihan Indraguptha  
Ms. Miranda Risang Ayu Palar

12.45 pm – 13.00 pm

**Closing Addresses by:**

Mr. Minelik Getahun  
His Excellency Mr. Ravinatha Aryasinha  
Mr. Chinthaka S. Lokuhetti

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