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ICC appreciates WIPO's organization of this meeting of the Standing Committee on the Law of Patents in the context of the Covid-19 pandemic, and highlights the particular importance that the discussions taking place in this standing committee have gained in a context of acceleration of the digital transformation of the global economy and its impact on patent issues, in addition to the central role that innovation is taking in the Covid-19 response and recovery.

Statements submitted by ICC

Agenda Item No. 6

Sharing session on the patentability issues relating to artificial intelligence.

ICC acknowledges the importance of the inclusion of a sharing session on patentability issues related to artificial intelligence in the discussions of this standing committee. This SCP/32 meeting takes place after the third of the meetings of the WIPO Conversation on AI and IP, where a wide range of actors discussed this issue. ICC believes that the discussions on that forum can serve as a base for maintaining a multistakeholder conversation on issues of AI, and they highlight the importance of including a business perspective in relation to a group of technologies that is still in development. ICC believes that particular attention must be paid to the issues of definitions of AI, including discussions around distinctions between AI-Generated and AI-Assisted creation, and to questions around disclosure requirements for the protection of AI subject-matter.

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