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Launch of the WIPO Patent Landscape Report on COVID-19 Preliminary insights on related patenting activity during the pandemic

organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Geneva, March 10, 2022

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO

Thursday, March 10, 2022

14.00 CET

Introduction by Mr. Marco M. Alemán, Assistant Director General, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector (IIES), World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland

14.05 - 14.20

Opening Remarks by:

Mr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, Director General, World Health Organization (WHO) or his representative, Geneva, Switzerland

Ms. Ngozi Okonjo-Iweala, Director General, World Trade Organization (WTO) or her representative, Geneva, Switzerland (tbc)

Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

14.20 - 14.40

Presentation of the Findings of the WIPO Patent Landscape Report on COVID-19 vaccines and therapeutics - Preliminary insights on related patenting activity during the pandemic

Speaker: Ms. Irene Kitsara, Industrial Property Information Officer, Technology and innovation Support Division, IP for Innovators Department (IPID), IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, WIPO, Geneva

14.40 - 15.40

Panel discussion – Technology, partnerships/collaboration and use of the patent system

The discussion panel will address recent developments in technologies related to the various vaccine platforms and therapeutics targeting COVID-19. Discussions will also focus on partnerships and collaborations in R&D, as well as observations on the effectiveness and contribution of the patent system to the pandemic response.

Moderator: Mr. Marco M. Alemán

Panelists:

Mr. Martin Friede, Coordinator, Initiative for Vaccine Research (IVR), WHO, Geneva;

Mr. Roger Kampf, Counsellor in Intellectual Property, WTO, Geneva, (tbc);

Representative of the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Department of Commerce, Alexandria (tbc);

Ms. Amina Maillard, Patent Information Manager, Medicines Patent Pool, Geneva (tbc)

Dr. Claudia Chamas, Professor, Centre for Technological Development in Health, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ), Rio de Janeiro;

Ms. Emma Wheatley, Director, Access and Private Partnerships, Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI); and

Representative from an IP Attorneys' practice.

15.40 – 16.00 **Question and Answer Session** (in writing through the chat mode)

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