

■ ICT Strategy for Standards TF Progress Report

CWS/7 Agenda Item 5

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Overview

- Background
- Progress Report
- Future work

Background

- Meeting of IP Offices on ICT Strategies and AI for IP Administration in May 2018
 - 40 Recommendations
- Relevancy of 40 Recommendations to the CWS in Oct 2018 - CWS/6/3
 - CWS created Task No. 58 and assigned it to the ICT Strategy for Standards Task Force
 - CWS requested the new Task Force to report progress on the Task at its 7th session.

ICT Strategy for Standards TF

- C.CWS 107 inviting CWS Members wishing to participate in the Task Force to
 - nominate their **business manager(s)** and/or **ICT policy maker(s)** and
 - volunteer to act as a **co-leader** with the International Bureau.
- TF Members from IB and the following 16 IPOs: AU, BR, CA, CL, CN, DE, EA, EM, ES, GB, JP, KR, RU, SA, SE and US.
 - Still awaiting a co-leadership partner

CWS Task No. 58

- Prepare a proposal for a roadmap of future development and enhancement of WIPO standards. This will include policy recommendations, in view of more effective production, sharing, and utilization of data by IPOs and other interested parties, including the following activities:
 - to review the Recommendations indicated in the Annex of document [CWS/6/3](#);
 - to prioritize Recommendations and suggest a timeline;
 - to explore the impact of disruptive technologies on IP administration and IP data in view of harmonization and collaboration.

Review of 40 Recommendations (1/2)

- Discuss the scope of CWS activities
 - develop & maintain WIPO Standards
 - support IP Offices to implement WIPO Standards
 - deal with other matters relating to IP data and information
- Review the relevancy of 40 recommendations to CWS current and future activities
 - some Recommendations in Group 1 include activities or work which are beyond the CWS responsibility or usual its activities
 - some are correlated to each other

Review of 40 Recommendations (2/2)

- TF members agreed to:
 - identify relevant parts of each recommendation to the CWS
 - Re-arrange recommendations in view of CWS activities
 - Change Group of some recommendations
 - Group 2 to 1: R20, R33, R35
 - Modified relevant Standard(s) or CWS Task(s)
 - R4, R5, R9, R10, R11, R13, R15, R22, R33, R35

Prioritization of Recommendations

- TF members have started prioritizing recommendations considering their Office's preference and priority and discussed the following outstanding items:
 - R16 and R18 (DocX conversion)
 - R23 (Patent Authority File):
 - CIPO suggested developing new standard(s) on authority file for trademarks and industrial designs
 - JPO and KIPO supported this proposal
 - XML Standards: DPMA suggests focusing on WIPO ST.96 development/enhancement

DocX Conversion Tool

- Two options were proposed:
 - 1. developing a common technical specification which IPOs develop their own tool based on and ensuring interoperability among various tools;
 - 2. developing a common conversion tool after agreeing a common technical specification
- Several TF members preferred Option 2 and preferably WIPO/IB to develop it.
- Scope of the tool
 - PCT applications/also for national applications

Work plan

- Prioritize Recommendations
 - Explore the impact of disruptive technologies
 - Prepare a list of updated Recommendations considering relevancy to the CWS current/future activities in collaboration with other CWS Task Forces
- **Prepare a strategic roadmap for consideration at CWS/8**

Questions and Discussions

■ Thank you for your attention!