# **MPO Match Evaluation**



Findings, Condusions and Recommendations

# Evaluation Overview

#### **Purpose**

Formative evaluation oriented to learning and project improvement. The evaluation will assess:



Deviations of the

project design



Constraints and strategies to Good improve delivery

Added value and Good practices

#### **Users**

The evaluation results will inform: the

- Director-General
- DDG, Regional and National Development Sector
- the project team
- the Reference Group

The evaluation follows the WIPO Internal Oversight Charter for publication.

#### **Evaluation Criteria**

## **Effectiveness**

Results achievement expected and unexpected.



### Relevance

Intervention response to beneficiaries, global, country, and partner/institution needs, and priorities

# Coherence

Compatibility of the intervention with other interventions in and outside WIPO.



#### Scope



Activities implemented between 2014 and 2020



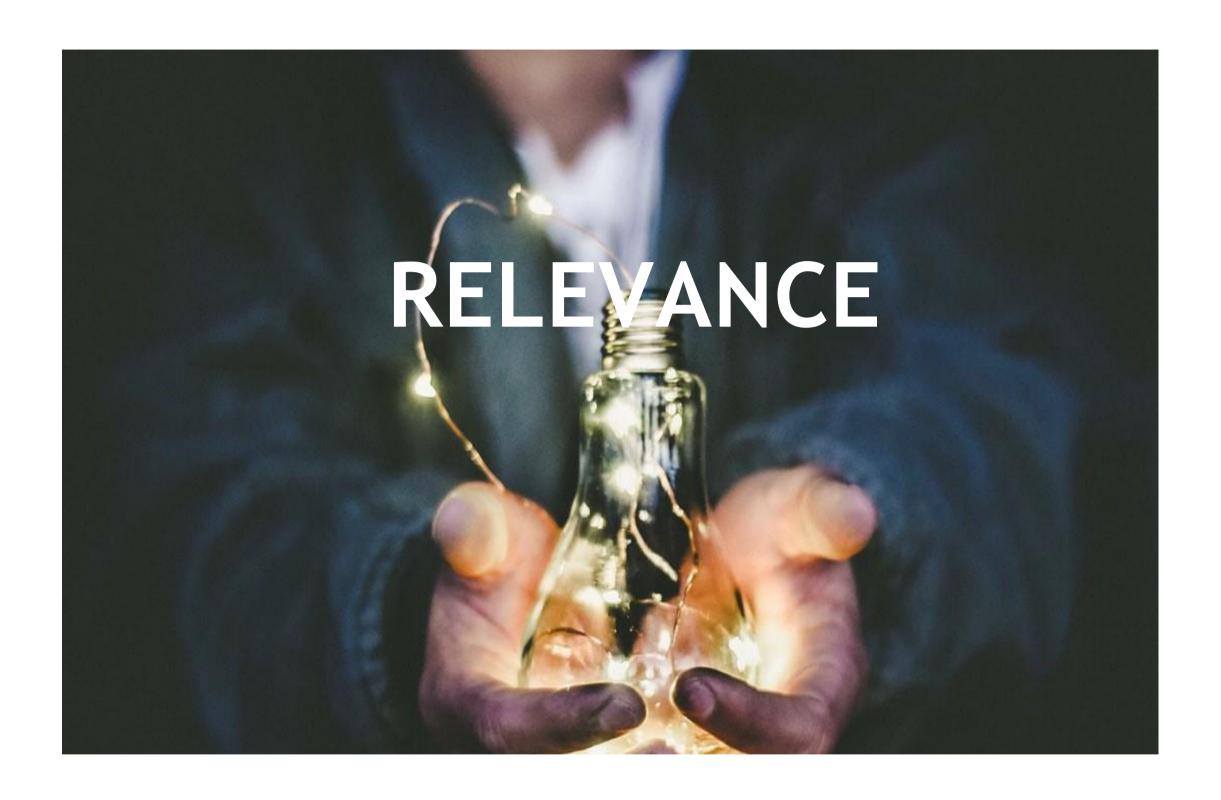
Records of project design, implementation, guidelines, lines of responsibility of collaborators, strategic documents, financial information.



A series of interviews with existing stakeholders, including collaborators.



Gender and human rights aspects will be considered throughout the evaluation process whenever possible and suitable.



#### ALIGNMENT WITH THE UN STRATEGIC PRIORITIES





SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure



SDG 17: Strengthened the means of implementation and revitalized the global



UNDESA Technology Facilitation Mechanism online platform with the aim to share information on existing STI initiatives, mechanisms and programs



partnerships for sustainable development

## ALIGNMENT TO WIPO STRATEGIC PRIORITIES



SG III: Facilitating the Use of IP for Development



Recommendation 9 of the WIPO DA: a database to match specific intellectual property-related development needs with available resources, thereby expanding the scope of its technical assistance programs aimed at bridging the digital divide.



SG IV: Contributing to Coordination and Development of Global IP Infrastructure



Strategic Goal II: Provision of Premier Global IP Services

# ALIGNMENT WITH THE NEEDS OF PROVIDERS, SEEKERS, SUPPORTERS, AND COLLABORATORS



#### **PULL STRATEGY**

- By moving from a PUSH to a PULL strategy where those in need of technological innovation present their needs or problems and the academia, start-ups, or incubators work on solutions to address a current issue.
- By guaranteeing the confidentiality and protection of the themes, ideas or problems shared at any meeting or video conference.

INTUITIVE WEB PLATFORM

intuitive web platform that

facilitates coding, tagging, searches and is built using

artificial intelligence. The website platform should

serve as an initial hook for

providers in speeding up their

search through automation at

assisting seekers and

the initial stage.

By developing a more



#### BENEFITS AND IMPACT

- By sharing more information about the impact of the matches with members
- By evaluating intangible assets and return of investment
- Share impact evaluation results with members but specially with supporters and collaborators that help with the promotion and expansion of the network



#### ADVISORY SERVICES

- Support improving the quality of proposals especially taking the projects from idea to implementation and reducing barriers. Currently support does not reach all registered seekers in the platform. In some cases, stakeholders indicated that they do not even know whether someone has read their request as feedback is not provided to all registered seekers.
- Support with the commercialization process.



#### IMPROVE NETWORKING

- By raising awareness of potential stakeholders, as they are not aware of the model and its benefits:
- Through networking days in which the business sector, foundations, or NGOs present their needs or issues.



#### PARTNERSHIPS

- More diversification of partnerships models going beyond South-South cooperation.
- By increasing the participation of the business sector, foundations, and NGOs to multiply the effects of WIPO Match.



#### INCLUSION

 By involving stakeholders in the decision-making, planning and implementation process. The views of collaborators, providers, seekers, and supporters are essential in the success of the network, its promotion and expansion.

# Recommendation 1

1. Sector Lead jointly with the Project Manager should strengthen governance by:



Structure

Establishing a governance structure for decision making



Reporting

Formalizing reporting mechanisms on interim results, challenges and lessons learned



**Advisory** 

Establishing an advisory board including their Terms of Reference



Developing a mechanism involving stakeholders in the decision-making process



# Results: At the time of this evaluation six matches were reported for the period comprising from 2016 to 2020

Result 1: Contribution to WIPO's Visibility and Reputation



#### ENHANCING COMMUNICATION



WIPO Match results` stories connected to the SDGs demonstrate the effectiveness of IP work and contribute to more effective communication to a broad and diverse public about IP and WIPO's role. (WIPO SG VIII.1)

**INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIP** 



#### **EFFECTIVE INTERACTION WITH THE UN**

Sharing information on the matches results with South-South Galaxy, demonstrating WIPO's contribution towards the SDGs, demonstrate how the organization can, with a real example, make IP work for development. The collaboration with the UN contributes to WIPO's SG VIII.5 WIPO Effectively interacts and partners with the UN processes and negotiations

Result 2: Contribution to SDG 9 -Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure



#### **DGIP INDONESIA & ARIPO** Are cooperating in the implementation of an electronic

services to their stakeholders and better outcome of IP

administration.

SOUTH-SOUTH PARTNERSHIP



•••Learning responded to the challenge to enhance ARIPO training programs, and in December 2020, delivered a customized personal Registration System for Copyright works, TK&CE / knowledge Al tutor app, ARI 9000, specifically adapted to meet ARIPO's patent transfer. DGIP Indonesia offered to share the software for free. examination training needs. The startup team used artificial This activity contributes to WIPO's SG IV - Enhancing technical intelligence and state-of-the-art natural language processing to and knowledge Infrastructure for IP Offices, leading to better automatically generate a series of relevant questions based on the original training material used by ARIPO.

MAGMA & ARIPO



#### BENEFICIARIES

20 Member States of the ARIPO (Bostwana, Eswatini, Gambia, Ghana, Kenya, Lesotho, Liberia, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambigue, Namibia, Rwanda, Sao Tome, and Principe, Sierra Leone, Somalia, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe)



#### INNOVATION AND COMMERCIALIZATION

#### SIDLEY & CSAM

through its Emerging Enterprises, Pro Bono Program provided IP legal assistance and needs assessment to CSAM.

CSAM is a farm in Trinidad and Tobago that produces all-natural, non-GMO, and organic Moruga Hill Rice (MHR) intercropped with various fruits, vegetables, and Animal Feeds. . The support provided by Sidley helped in the process to commercialization of the product.

Contribution to SGIII.6 - Increased capacity of SMEs to use IP to support innovation.





#### **BENEFICIARIES**

65 registered farmers and farming families in the community.

**B2B PARTNERSHIP** 



#### **ENHANCEMENT OF HR CAPACITY**

Development Bank of Latin America (CAF), through its Iberoamerican Program of Science and Technology for Development (CYTED), financed participants from Brazil and Paraguay to attend a training of the CAF Method Accelerated Development of Technological Patents in Paraguay. Participants receive technical training to be creditors of financing opportunities to execute future projects related to the subject of STI. Contribution to SGIII.6 - Increased capacity of SMEs to use IP to support innovation.

TRIANGULAR PARTNERSHIP



#### **BENEFICIARIES**

104 participants from Paraguay were trained and 7 participants from Brazil

# ADDITIONAL RESULTS





2330 Internet users in 2019



56 Countries represented



132 Members



31

68 **Providers** 



33

Supporters Seekers



KNOWLEDGE



COMPETENCIES





RESOURCES



# Other network results











### **COMMITMENT**

48%
actively contributing towards the WIPO
Match mission

56%
of the support
provided is for
capacity building
and knowledge
sharing

46%

of the members are from the business and academia sector 58%

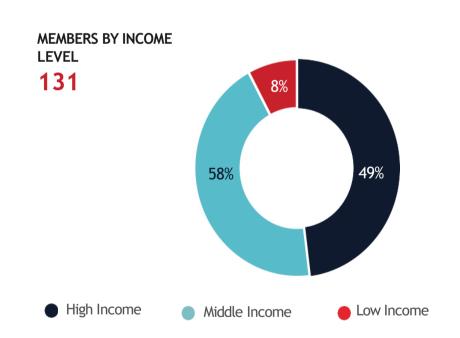
**DIVERSITY** 

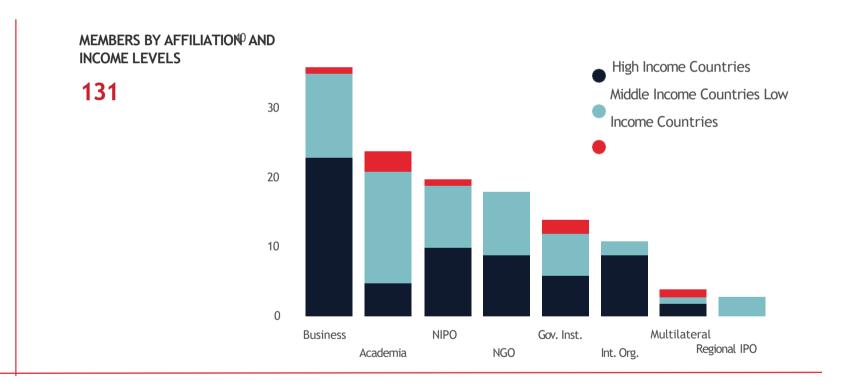
Members are from middle income countries

61%

of providers come from high income countries 61%

of the seekers are from middle income countries





# Recommendation 2

The Project Manager, with the leadership of the Sector Lead and in consultation with relevant stakeholders, should develop a strategy for the effective, efficient and sustainable management and of the WIPO Match while considering:



#### Governance

Clarifying and sharpening the scope and objectives of the platform and its related services



### Accountability

Defining interim indicators, including gender indicators, to report on outputs, outcomes, and impact results



#### **Network**

Integrating measures
to refining the
network structure and
considering
stakeholders' needs
and priorities.

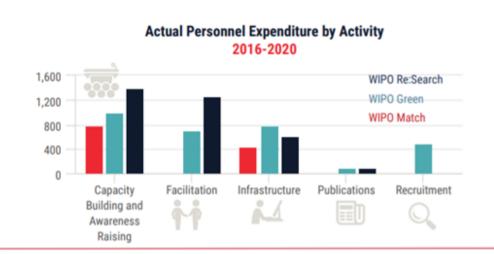


#### Stakeholders inclusion

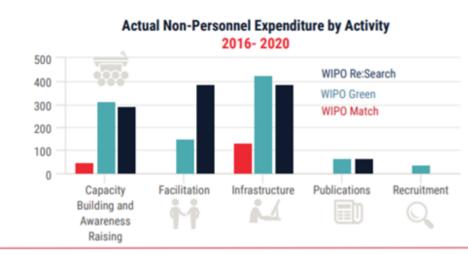
Preparing an action plan and implementation strategies, including communication and collaboration with other business units



# EXPENDITURES & HUMAN RESOURCES









# WIPO Match human resource allocation of time



Senior Manager jointly with the project manager to prepare the following:



# Job Descriptions Review

Revise the job descriptions of all WIPO Match staff members to reflect current duties and responsibilities; and



# **Additional Budgetary Support**

Provide adequate resources to realize the vision articulated in the strategy document. Possibly the upgrade of the database might be required to ensure that it is fit for purpose