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DRAFT AGENDA

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1. Opening of the session
2. Adoption of the agenda
See the present document.
3. Special Rules of Procedure
See document SCP/35/2.
4. Election of a Chair and two Vice-Chairs
5. Report on the international patent system: Certain aspects of national/regional patent laws
See document SCP/35/3.
6. Exceptions and limitations to patent rights
See document SCP/35/4.

Other related documents: SCP/14/7 and SCP/19/6.
7. Quality of patents, including opposition systems
See documents SCP/35/5, SCP/35/6, SCP/35/7 and SCP/35/8.
 - Sharing session on the use of artificial intelligence for patent examination procedures.

Other related documents: SCP/17/7, 8 and 10, SCP/18/9, SCP/19/4, SCP/20/11 Rev., SCP/23/4, SCP/24/3, SCP/28/8, SCP/30/9, SCP/31/8 Rev. and SCP/33/4.

8. Patents and health

See document SCP/35/9.

- Sharing session among Member States on practices involving licensing of medical technologies for the diagnoses, prevention and treatment of COVID-19, including examples of compulsory and voluntary licensing.

Other related documents: SCP/16/7 and 7 Corr., SCP/17/11, SCP/24/4 and SCP/28/10 Rev.

9. Confidentiality of communications between clients and their patent advisors

- Sharing session by members and observers of the SCP as well as relevant practitioners on recent developments and experiences concerning confidentiality of communications between clients and their patent advisors.

10. Transfer of technology

- Sharing session on international cooperation in respect of technology transfer through the patent system, including technical assistance and capacity building, licensing of technology and collaboration involving both the public and private sectors.
- Sharing session by SCP observers, intergovernmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders on their practical experience on Standard-Essential Patents (SEPs) and Fair, Reasonable and Non-Discriminatory (FRAND) licensing related issues.

Other related document: SCP/34/7 Rev.

11. Future work

12. Summary by the Chair

13. Closing of the session

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