

Standing Committee on the Law of Patents, 27th session
December 11 to 15, 2017

Tentative Schedule

	MORNING	AFTERNOON
Monday, December 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening of the session - Election of the Chair and two Vice Chairs - Adoption of the agenda (document SCP/27/1 Prov.2) - Adoption of the draft report of the 26th session (SCP/26/8 Prov.2) - Accreditation of observers (SCP/27/7) - General statements - Report on the international patent system (document SCP/27/2) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Exceptions and limitations to patent rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Discussion on a draft reference document on exception regarding acts for obtaining regulatory approval from authorities (SCP/27/3).</i> - Patents and health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Discussion on constraints faced by developing countries and LDCs in making full use of patent flexibilities (SCP/27/6).</i>
Tuesday, December 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patents and health (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>A half-day information exchange session on publicly accessible databases on patent information status and data on medicines and vaccines.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patents and health (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Sharing session on patents and other related issues on access to medicines.</i> - Quality of patents, including opposition systems <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Discussion on an updated summary of the responses to the Questionnaire on quality of patents (SCP/27/4 Rev. and SCP/27/5 Rev.).</i>
Wednesday, December 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quality of patents, including opposition systems (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>A half-day information exchange session on cooperation between patent offices in search and examination.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quality of patents, including opposition systems (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Sharing session on examples and cases relating to assessment of inventive step.</i> ➤ <i>Presentation by the Secretariat of the webpage on opposition and administrative revocation mechanisms.</i>

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Thursday, December 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Confidentiality of communications between clients and their patent advisors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Sharing session on the experiences of Member States in implementing the confidentiality of communication between clients and their patent advisors through national legislation.</i> - Transfer of technology <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Sharing session on patent law provisions that contributed to effective transfer of technology.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Other issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Informative session on legislative assistance in the field of patents and related capacity building.</i> - Future work
Friday, December 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Future work (cont'd) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Summary by the Chair