



**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
Intellectual Property Rights**

INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS

REQUESTS FOR OBSERVER STATUS IN THE COUNCIL FOR TRIPS

Revision

1. Since the circulation of document IP/C/W/52/Rev.13, the Cooperation Council of the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC) has been granted regular observer status.

2. Requests from the following international intergovernmental organizations for observer status in the Council for TRIPS are still pending¹:

- African, Caribbean and Pacific Group of States (ACP Group);
- Bioversity International²;
- Conférence des Ministres de l'Agriculture de l'Afrique de l'Ouest et du Centre (CMA/AOC);
- The European Free Trade Association (EFTA)³;
- International Organisation of Vine and Wine (Organisation Internationale de la Vigne et du Vin, OIV)⁴;
- International Vaccine Institute;
- Islamic Development Bank (IsDB);
- Latin American Economic System (SELA);
- Organization of American States (OAS);
- Organisation of the Islamic Conference (OIC);
- Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD);
- Secretariat of the General Treaty on Central American Economic Integration (SIECA);
- South Centre; and
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).

¹ Information provided by IGOs concerned can be accessed by Members at https://www.wto.org/english/tratop_e/trips_e/xtrips_e/igo_observer_e.htm.

² Formerly International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (IPGRI).

³ EFTA has been granted ad hoc observer status on a meeting-by-meeting basis in the Council for TRIPS.

⁴ Formerly International Office of Vine and Wine (OIV).