

Program and Budget Committee

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LIST OF DECISIONS ADOPTED BY THE PROGRAM AND BUDGET COMMITTEE

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AGENDA ITEM 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

AGENDA ITEM 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

document WO/PBC/27/1.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) adopted the agenda (document WO/PBC/27/1).

**AGENDA ITEM 3. REPORT BY THE WIPO INDEPENDENT ADVISORY OVERSIGHT
COMMITTEE (IAOC)**

document WO/PBC/27/2.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) recommended to the WIPO General Assembly to take note of the Report by the WIPO Independent Advisory Oversight Committee (IAOC) (document WO/PBC/27/2).

AGENDA ITEM 4. REPORT BY THE EXTERNAL AUDITOR

document WO/PBC/27/3.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) recommended to the WIPO General Assembly and other Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO to take note of the Report by the External Auditor (document WO/PBC/27/3).

AGENDA ITEM 5. ANNUAL REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNAL OVERSIGHT DIVISION (IOD)

document WO/PBC/27/4.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) took note of the Annual Report by the Director of the Internal Oversight Division (IOD) (document WO/PBC/27/4).

AGENDA ITEM 6. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE JOINT INSPECTION UNIT'S (JIU) RECOMMENDATIONS

document WO/PBC/27/5.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC):

- (i) *took note of the present report (document WO/PBC/27/5);*
- (ii) *welcomed and endorsed the Secretariat's assessment of the status of the implementation of recommendations under:*

*JIU/REP/2016/8 (Recommendations 1 and 9);
JIU/REP/2016/7 (Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 and 7);
JIU/REP/2016/4 (Recommendation 16);
JIU/REP/2016/2 (Recommendation 1);
JIU/REP/2015/6 (Recommendation 5);
JIU/REP/2014/2 (Recommendation 6);
JIU/REP/2010/3 (Recommendation 17)*

as set out in the present report; and

- (iii) *called on the Secretariat to propose assessments for the open recommendations made by the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU) for Member States' consideration.*

AGENDA ITEM 7. ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2016; STATUS OF THE PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT JUNE 30, 2017

- (a) **ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2016**

document WO/PBC/27/6

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) recommended to the General Assembly and other Assemblies of the Member States of WIPO to approve the Annual Financial Report and Financial Statements 2016 (document WO/PBC/27/6).

(b) STATUS OF THE PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS AS AT JUNE 30, 2017

document WO/PBC/27/7

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) took note of the Status of the Payment of Contributions as at June 30, 2017 (document WO/PBC/27/7).

AGENDA ITEM 8. ANNUAL REPORT ON HUMAN RESOURCES (FOR INFORMATION)

document WO/PBC/27/INF/1.

AGENDA ITEM 9. PROPOSED PROGRAM AND BUDGET FOR THE 2018/19 BIENNIUM

documents WO/PBC/27/8, WO/PBC/27/9 and WO/PBC/27/13.

[Decision pending.]

AGENDA ITEM 10. FINAL PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A COMPREHENSIVE INTEGRATED ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) SYSTEM IN WIPO

document WO/PBC/27/10.

The Program and Budget Committee (PBC) took note of the Progress Report on the Implementation of a Comprehensive Integrated Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) System (document WO/PBC/27/10), in particular the fact that:

- (i) *The Portfolio will complete within the approved budget;*
- (ii) *The Portfolio will close in 2018;*
- (iii) *Projects/stages have only been initiated if approved by the AIMS Portfolio Board according to defined criteria; and*
- (iv) *Unspent funds when the portfolio closes will be returned to the Reserves.*

AGENDA ITEM 11. PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE FINANCIAL REGULATIONS AND RULES (FRR)

documents WO/PBC/27/11 and WO/PBC/27/14.

1. *The Program and Budget Committee recommended to the WIPO General Assembly to approve (i) the proposed amendments to Regulations 2.14, 3.7, 3.13, 3.14, 5.3, 5.4, 5.7, 6.3, 6.7, and 10.1; (ii) the deletion of Regulation 6.6; and (iii) the introduction of proposed new Regulation 2.14bis., as indicated in Annex I of the present document WO/PBC/27/11.*
2. *The Program and Budget Committee took note of (i) the amendments to Financial Rules 101.1, 101.3(h) and (j), 103.2, 104.4, 105.1, 105.6, 105.9, 105.33, 106.3, 106.7, 106.10, and 110.1; (ii) the deletion of Financial Rule 106.12; and (iii) the introduction of proposed new Rules 102.7 and 106.11bis., as indicated in Annex I of the present document WO/PBC/27/11.*

AGENDA ITEM 12. OPENING OF NEW WIPO EXTERNAL OFFICES

documents WO/PBC/27/12 and A/56/15.

Having examined documents WO/PBC/27/12 and A/56/15, the Program and Budget Committee (PBC):

- (i) had an exchange of views, including on the methodology to reach a decision on the pending new External Offices for the 2016/17 and 2018/19 biennia;*
- (ii) did not reach a consensus on the opening of new External Offices; and*
- (iii) recommended further consideration of the matter at the 57th session of the WIPO Assemblies.*

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