Conference on the Occasion of the 5th Anniversary of the Visegrad Patent Institute
July 7, 2021
Draft Program

10:00-11:15 Ceremonial Part

10:00 Opening message from Mr. Daren TANG, Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) on the 5th anniversary of the VPI

10:10 Greetings from the representatives of the Governments of the Visegrad Countries
Greeting from Mr. Prof. Dr. László PALKOVICS, Minister, Ministry for Innovation and Technology, Hungary
Greeting from Mr. Karel HAVLÍČEK, Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Industry and Trade and Minister of Transport, Czech Republic
Greeting from Mr. RNDr. Karol GALEK, MSc., State Secretary of the Ministry of Economy of the Slovak Republic (Tbc.)
Greeting from Mr. Robert TOMANEK, Undersecretary of State, Ministry of Economic Development, Labour and Technology, Republic of Poland (Tbc)

10:35 Greetings from the Presidents and Representatives of the VPI Administrative Board (AB) of the founding, Slovakian, Czech Polish and Hungarian national offices (10-10 mins.)

Mr. Matúš MEDVEC President, Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic (IPO SR), Chairman of the AB of the VPI
Mr. Josef KRATOCHVÍL President, Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic (IPO CZ)
Ms. Patrycja CZUBKOWSKA Deputy President, Patent Office of the Republic of Poland (PPO)
Ms. Dóra GYETVAINÉ VIRÁG Vice-President for Technical Affairs, Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)

11:25 Opening speech from Ms. Johanna STADLER, Director of the VPI

11:35-11:45 BREAK

11:45-12:45 Professional Part (1st Part)

11:45-12:05 Presentation of WIPO about the current issues and challenges of the PCT – the International Patent System, on advantages and possibilities offered to applicants
Ms. Christine BONVALLET, Director of the PCT International Cooperation Division in the Patents and Technology Sector at WIPO
12:05-12:45 Round table discussion on the experience of Branch Offices (BOs) in respect of the VPI in the PCT system. Participants experts of patent and/or international departments of BOs moderated by Ms. Johanna STADLER.

- **Ms. Dr. Katalin MIKLÓ**, Head of Patent Department, HIPO
- **Ms. Ing. Lukrécia MARČOKOVÁ**, Head of Patent Department, IPO SR
- **Mr Piotr CZAPLICKI**, Head of Biotechnology and Chemistry Department, PPO
- **Mr. RNDr. Viktor KLIMENT**, Senior Patent Expert, Patent Department, Chemistry Section, IPO CZ

12:45-14:00 LUNCH BREAK

14:00-16:00 Professional Part (II\(^{nd}\) Part)

14:00-15:00 PCT success stories – Presentations (10-10 mins) from the users of the PCT system moderated by Ms. Christine BONVALLET.

- **Dr. György MOROVJÁN**, Hungarian and European Patent Attorney (EGIS Pharmaceutical PLC)
- **Mgr. Jan BRULÍK Ph.D.**, Head of the Patent Department, Tescan Brno
- **Mr. Matúš GAJDOŠ**, Product Manager, GA Drilling, a.s., Bratislava
- **Mr. Krystian GURBA**, Deputy Director Jagiellonian University, Centre for Technology Transfer CITTRU

- International speaker (provided by WIPO)

15:00-16:00 Filing strategies in the V4 countries – Round table discussion moderated by Ms. Johanna STADLER.

- Experienced patent attorneys
  - **Mr. Rafał WITEK**, Polish and European Patent Attorney / Partner WTS
  - **Dr. Gábor HARANGOZÓ**, Hungarian and European Patent Attorney, Deputy Managing Partner, Danubia Patent & Law Office LLC
  - **Ing. Róbert PORUBČAN**, European Patent Attorney, Patent & Trademark, s.r.o. Ivanka pri Dunaji, and
  - **Mgr. Michal LIPTÁK PhD.**, European Patent Attorney Patent & Trademark, s.r.o. Ivanka pri Dunaji

- Users of the VPI/PCT
  - **Mr. Michal ŠTIPL**, Patent specialist, PatentEnter s.r.o.

- International speaker (provided by WIPO)
16:00-16:15 Closing remarks

16:15: End of the Conference

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