20th Anniversary of IPAS Project at Laos and Sharing Best Practices (SBP) Workshop on Smarter IP Office Business Services

organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

in cooperation with
the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Lao PDR

with the assistance of
the Japan Patent Office (JPO)

Vientiane, Lao PDR, November 20 to 24, 2023

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

prepared by the International Bureau of WIPO
Monday, November 20, 2023

Venue: Crowne Plaza Hotel

08.30 – 09.00 Registration

09.00 – 09.15 The Lao–Traditional Performance by Lao Dan Xang Performance Group
  - Lao Traditional Music Performance
  - Khene Show Performed by Women

09.15 – 09.20 Greeting and Introduction of the Event by the Ceremony Committee

Celebration of the 20th Anniversary of Using the IPAS System

09.20 – 09.30 Remark by Mr. Santisouk Phounesavath, Director General, Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Laos

  Video of the History of Using the IPAS System on the 20th Anniversary of Lao PDR

09.30 – 09.35 Remark by Mr. Kenichiro Natsume, Assistant Director General, Infrastructure and Platforms Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

09.35 – 09.45 Award Ceremony for WIPO Assistant Director General and WIPO Experts

  Presenter: Minister of Industry and Commerce (TBC)

Launching the WIPO Graduation Support Package for Lao PDR

09.45 – 09.55 Remark by Mr. Santisouk Phounesavath, Director General, DIP Laos

09.55 – 10.05 Keynote Speech by Mr. Kenichiro Natsume, Assistant Director General, Infrastructure and Platforms Sector, WIPO, Geneva

  Launch of the WIPO Graduation Support Package for Lao PDR

IP Week 2023 Ceremony

10.05 – 10.20 Presentation of the General Concept Design of IP Week 2023

  Speaker: Mr. Santisouk Phounesavath, Director General, DIP Laos

10.20 – 10.30 Remarks on "The Importance of Intellectual Property to Business and Economic and Social Development"

  Speaker: Mr. António Campinos, President, European Patent Office (EPO)

10.30 – 10.40 Cutting the Ribbon to open the ceremony and group photo-taking

  - Minister of Industry and Commerce (TBC)
  - All participants

10.40 – 10.55 Coffee break
Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) Signing on IP Cooperation

10.55 – 11.15  Signing a Memorandum of Tri-lateral Cooperation between the Department of Intellectual Property, the National University, and the Department of Higher Education.
   - DIP and delegates from the National University and the Department of Higher Education

11.15 – 11.30  Awards Ceremony
   - Short video contest on TikTok about IP and Tourism

11.30  End of Ceremony

11.30 – 14.00  Lunch: WIPO Reception

Sharing Best Practices (SBP) Workshop on Smarter IP Office Business Services

14.00 – 14.30  Opening Remarks by:
   Mr. Santisouk Phounesavath, Director General, Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Lao PDR
   Mr. Toshitaka Kuwa, Deputy Director, Information Technology and Patent Information Management Office, Japan Patent Office (JPO)
   Mr. Kenichiro Natsume, Assistant Director General, Infrastructure and Platforms Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva

14.30 – 14.45  Topic 1:  Workshop Objectives and Themes
   Speaker:  Mr. Juneho Jang, Senior Regional Manager, IP Office Business Solutions Division, WIPO

15.00 – 15.30  Coffee break

15.30 – 16.00  Topic 2:  The Update on JPO's Activities on IP Office Digital Transformation Services
   Speaker:  Mr. Toshitaka Kuwa, JPO

   Speakers:  Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IPVN)

17.00 – 21.00  Dinner Reception hosted by DIP Laos

Venue: To be advised
Tuesday, November 21, 2023

Venue: Muong Thanh Hotel

09.00 – 09.30 Topic 4: Laos DIP – Onsite Demonstration and Presentation on Business Functions, and IT Systems – Registration Examination Center

Speakers: Representatives of the Laos DIP

09.30 – 10.00 Topic 4: (cont’d) Laos DIP – Onsite Demonstration and Presentation on Business Functions, and IT Systems – Patent and Industrial Property Examination Center

Speakers: Representatives of the Laos DIP

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 – 11.00 Topic 4: (cont’d) Laos DIP – Onsite Demonstration and Presentation on Business Functions, and IT Systems – Trademark Examination

Speakers: Representatives of the Laos DIP

11.00 – 12.00 Topic 5: Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL) – Overview of IP Office Services, and IT Infrastructure and System Supporting the IP Office Operations

Speakers: Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch break


Speaker: Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

14.30 – 15.00 Coffee break

15.00 – 16.00 Topic 7: Presentation from IP Offices of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Philippines, Vietnam on Filing and Productivity Statistics, Business Operations Challenges

Speakers: Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MOC), Cambodia

Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MISTI), Cambodia

Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Lao PDR
Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IPVN)

16.00 – 17.00 **Roundtable Discussion on IP Office Challenges and Best Practices**

Moderator: Mr. Juneho Jang

**Wednesday, November 22, 2023**

**Venue: Muong Thanh Hotel**

09.00 – 09.30 **Topic 8: ASEAN IP Register - Introduction**

Speaker: Mr. Juneho Jang

09.30 – 10.00 **Topic 9: ASEAN – Regional and Global Data Exchange, and Data Quality Issues**

Speaker: Representative form the WIPO

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break


Speakers:
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- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Lao PDR
- Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)
- Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IPVN)

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch break

14.30 – 15.00 Coffee break

15.00 – 16.00 **Topic 11:** Presentation from IP Offices of Cambodia, the Philippines, Vietnam on Filing and Productivity Statistics, Business Operations Challenges

**Speakers:**
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MOC), Cambodia
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MISTI), Cambodia
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Lao PDR
- Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)
- Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IPVN)

16.00 – 17.00 **Roundtable Discussion on IP Office Challenges and Best Practices**

**Moderator:** Mr. Juneho Jang

**Thursday, November 23, 2023**

**Venue:** Muong Thanh Hotel

09.00 – 10.00 **Topic 12:** Presentation from IP Offices of Cambodia, Lao PDR, Philippines, Vietnam on Challenges in Processing Madrid, Hague and PCT Applications

**Speakers:**
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MOC), Cambodia
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP/MISTI), Cambodia
- Representatives of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Lao PDR
Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines (IPOPHL)

Representatives of the Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IPVN)

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break

11.30 – 12.00 **Topic 13:** WIPO Cloud Hosted IP Office Suite Functionalities and Demonstration – WIPO IPAS

Speaker: Representative from the WIPO

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch break

13.30 – 14.30 **Topic 13:** WIPO Cloud Hosted IP Office Suite Functionalities and Demonstration – WIPO Publish

Speaker: Representative from the WIPO

14.30 – 15.00 Coffee break

15.00 – 16.00 **Topic 13:** WIPO Cloud Hosted IP Office Suite Functionalities and Demonstration – WIPO File

Speaker: Representative from the WIPO

16.00 – 17.00 **Roundtable Discussion on Deployment Strategy and Challenges on Upgrading to WIPO IP Office Suite Cloud Service**

Moderator: Mr. Juneho Jang

**Friday, November 24, 2023**

**Venue:** Muong Thanh Hotel

09.00 – 10.00 **Topic 14:** Laos DIP – Onsite Demonstration and Presentation on Business Functions, and IT Systems – Geographical Indication and International Trademark

Speaker: Representative of the Department of Intellectual Property (DIP), Lao PDR

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee break

10.30 – 12.00 **Roundtable discussion on Recommendations and Follow-up Activities for the IP Offices and WIPO IP Office Business Solutions Division**

Moderator: Mr. Juneho Jang

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch break
13.30 – 17.00 Reserved for Bilateral Meetings with IP Offices and WIPO

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