

International Conference on the TRIPS CBD Linkage: Issues and Way Forward

Venue: Conference Hall, IInd Floor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, New Delhi

AGENDA

(As on March 10, 2017)

15th March 2017 (Wednesday)		
10:00-10:45 hrs		
Registration		
10:45-11:30 hrs		
Inauguration		
10:45-10:55 hrs	Welcome Remarks	Prof. Abhijit Das Head and Professor, Centre for WTO Studies
10:55-11:05 hrs	Special Address	Mr. Ajay Kumar Bhalla Director, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade
11:05-11:25 hrs	Inaugural Address	Ms. Rita Teatolia Secretary, Department of Commerce, Government of India
11:25-11:30 hrs	Vote of Thanks	Prof. Chandni Raina Professor, Centre for WTO Studies
11:30-12:15 hrs		
Group Photograph & Tea/Coffee		
12:15-13:00 hrs	<u>Theme I: Establishing a need, if any, for TRIPS-CBD Linkage</u>	
	<u>Session 1</u>	
	Putting the context to the Conference: Introductory session laying down the issues relevant to TRIPS-CBD Linkage and development in other international fora	
Speaker	Prof. Chandni Raina , Centre for WTO Studies	
13:00-14:00 hrs		
Lunch		
14:00-15:30 hrs	<u>Session 2</u>	
	Evidence of Bio piracy and how to address it: Is there a rationale for protection of Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore under the TRIPS Agreement	
Chair	Prof. Abhijit Das, Head and Professor, Centre for WTO Studies	
Speakers	(1) Prof. (Dr.) Palpu Pushpangadan, Director General of the Amity Institute for Herbal and Biotech Products Development, Trivandrum	
	(2) Ms. Sangeeta Shashikant, Legal Adviser at Third World Network	

	(3) Mr. V.K Gupta, Former Director, Traditional Knowledge Digital Library
15:30-15:45 hrs	Tea
15:45-17:15 hrs	<u>Session 3</u> Framing an Economic Construct to the protection of Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore Chair Mr. Rajiv Aggarwal, Joint Secretary, Department of Industrial Policy and Promotion Speakers (1) Dr. Biswajit Dhar, Professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (2) Mr. Ermias Tekeste Biadgleng, Legal Expert at the Intellectual Property Unit, UNCTAD
16th March 2017 (Thursday)	
09:45-11:15 hrs	<u>Theme II: Taking Stock of the Discussions in TRIPS Council, WIPO and CBD (Nagoya Protocol) and the impact of these on the national regimes</u> <u>Session 4</u> Open House Session: State of Play of the Discussions in the TRIPS Council <i>to be chaired by</i> Mr. Sudhanshu Pandey, Joint Secretary, Department of Commerce <i>Opening Address by</i> Ms. Jayashree Watal ,Counsellor, Intellectual Property Division at the World Trade Organization, followed by discussion
11:15-11:30 hrs	Tea
11:30-13:00 hrs	<u>Session 5</u> State of Play in other International Organizations- Negotiations in WIPO- Where is it headed? ; Nagoya Protocol- What is in it for Developing Countries? Chair Ms. Jayashree Watal, Counsellor, Intellectual Property Division at the World Trade Organization Speakers (1) Ms. Sangeeta Shashikant, Legal Adviser at Third World Network (2) Dr. R.S. Rana, Chairman of Bio-links, the National Working Group for promoting implementation of the UN Convention on Biological Diversity (3) Mr. Nirmalya Syam, Programme Officer, Innovation and Access to Knowledge, South Centre
13:00-14:00 hrs	Lunch
14:00-15:30hrs	<u>Session 6</u>

<p>Chair</p> <p>Speakers</p>	<p>Experience of Countries on developing National regimes for disclosure and Access and Benefit Sharing</p> <p>Dr.(Ms.) Amita Prasad, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change</p> <p>(1) Mr. Andres Valladolid, President, Peru’s National Anti-Biopiracy Commission</p> <p>(2) Mr. Marco D’ Alessandro, Policy Adviser, Sustainable Development and International Cooperation, Legal and International Affairs Division, Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property</p> <p>(3) Mr. YAO Xin, Deputy Director of Division III, Legal Affairs Department, State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO), Beijing</p> <p>(4) Prof. M.K. Ramesh, Chair Professor (Urban Poor and the Law) at National Law School of India University, Bangalore</p>
<p>15:30-15:45 hrs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Tea</p>
<p>15:45-17:15 hrs</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Speakers</p>	<p><u>Session 7</u></p> <p>Experience of Countries on developing National regimes for disclosure and Access and Benefit Sharing</p> <p>Dr.(Ms.) Amita Prasad, Additional Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change</p> <p>(1) Dr. Burcu Kilic, Legal Counsel, <i>Public Citizen Global Access to Medicine Program</i></p> <p>(2) Mr. T. Rabikumar, Secretary, National Biodiversity Authority</p> <p>(3) Mr. Mustaqeem de Gama, Counsellor (Economic), Permanent Mission of South Africa to the WTO</p> <p>(4) Mr. Adi Dzulfuat, Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Indonesia</p>
<p>17th March 2017 (Friday)</p>	
<p>09:30-11:45 hrs</p> <p>Chair</p> <p>Speakers</p>	<p><u>Theme III: Way Forward</u></p> <p><u>Session 8</u></p> <p>WTO-WIPO-CBD-Where should the focus be?</p> <p>Dr. Srikar K. Reddy, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of India to the WTO</p> <p>(1) Mr. Luis Mayaute Vargas, Minister Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Peru to the WTO</p> <p>(2) Mr. Mustaqeem de Gama, Counsellor (Economic), Permanent Mission of South Africa to the WTO</p>

	<p>(3) Mr. Caue Oliveira Fanha, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Brazil to the WTO</p> <p>(4) Mr. Willyam A. Saroinsong, Third Secretary, Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the WTO</p> <p>(5) Ms. R V Anuradha, Partner, Clarus Law Associates</p>
11:45-12:00 hrs	Tea
12:00-13:30 hrs	<p><u>Session 9:Panel Discussion</u></p> <p>Building Awareness and Understanding of the Issue: Role of Civil Society Organisations and Media</p> <p>Chair Prof. Abhijit Das, Head and Professor, Centre for WTO Studies</p> <p>Speakers</p> <p>(1) Ms. Catherine Saez, Senior Writer at Intellectual Property Watch, a non-profit independent news service reporting on international intellectual property policies</p> <p>(2) Mr. Manuel Ruiz Muller, Director of the International Affairs and Biodiversity Program of the Peruvian Environmental Law Society</p> <p>(3) Mr. K.M. Gopakumar, Legal Adviser at Third World Network</p>
13:30-14:30 hrs	Lunch
14:30-16:30 hrs	<p><u>Session 10</u></p> <p>Building on the discussions in the TRIPS Council- Need to forge alliances-Could Plurilateral Treaties be the way to go? What would be the starting point?</p> <p>Chair Prof. Chandni Raina , Centre for WTO Studies</p> <p>Speakers</p> <p>(1) Mr. Md. Nazrul Islam, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the WTO</p> <p>(2) Mr. M.G. Buba, Minister, Nigeria Trade Office, Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the WTO</p> <p>(3) Ms. R V Anuradha, Partner, Clarus Law Associates</p> <p>(4) Ms. Sangeeta Shashikant, Legal Adviser at Third World Network</p>
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