

PROGRAMME

UNCTAD REGIONAL WORKSHOP ON DEVELOPING LOCAL PRODUCTIVE AND SUPPLY CAPACITY IN THE PHARMACEUTICAL SECTOR – THE ROLE OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS

19-23 March 2007

United Nations Conference Center UNECA
Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Objective: This workshop is designed to familiarize and sensitize stakeholders (i.e, relevant officials of the Ministries of Health and Trade/Investment, drug regulatory authorities, senior executives of local pharmaceutical manufacturers, civil society and academia) of the full range of intellectual property tools to encourage the development of local productive and supply capacity in the pharmaceutical sector. Particular attention will be paid to the obligations and flexibilities available under the TRIPS Agreement. The intended participants of this regional workshop are from Botswana, Ethiopia, Kenya and Tanzania, as the beneficiary countries of UNCTAD's joint technical cooperation activities with the Governments of Germany (BMZ and GTZ) and the United Kingdom (DFID) in this area. UNCTAD is organizing this workshop in collaboration with the Engineering and Capacity Building Programme and the Commonwealth Secretariat.

Sunday, 18 March 2007

Arrival of participants

Monday, 19 March 2007

Morning Session

10:00 Registration of participants

I. Welcome and Introduction

11:00 Welcome Remarks

- Mr. Kiyoshi Adachi, Legal Officer, Technology Transfer & Intellectual Property, UNCTAD
- Mr. Michael Nebelung, Deputy Programme Director, ECBP
- Mr. Andreas Edele, Trade Policy, Trade and Investment Promotion, Economic Development and Employment Division, GTZ

11:45 Introduction to the Workshop/Setting the Scene: Intellectual Property Rights and the Local Production & Supply of Pharmaceutical Products

Mr. Kiyoshi Adachi, UNCTAD

13:00-14:30 Lunch



Afternoon Session

II. Intellectual Property Regime under TRIPS: Obligations and Flexibilities

14:30 Overview: The TRIPS Agreement Flexibilities in the Context of Public Health Policies

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

15:15 Questions & Answers

15:45 Coffee break

16:00 Pre-Grant Flexibilities: Patentable Subject Matter

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

16:30-17:00 Questions & Answers

19:30 Welcome Dinner

Tuesday, 20 March 2007

Morning Session

II. Intellectual Property Regime under TRIPS: Obligations and Flexibilities (con't.)

09:00 Pre-Grant Flexibilities: Patentability Criteria

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

10:00 Questions & Answers

10:30 Post-Grant Flexibilities: Exceptions to Patent Rights

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

11:15 Questions & Answers

11:45 Coffee Break

12:15 Overview: The Control of Restrictive Business Practices in IP Licensing: TRIPS minimum standards

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

12:45 Questions & Answers

13:00-14:30 Lunch

Afternoon Session

II. Intellectual Property Regime under TRIPS: Obligations and Flexibilities (con't.)

14:30 Parallel Imports

Mr. Achal Prabhala, Alternative Law Forum

15:15 Questions & Answers

15:45 The Protection of Clinical Test Data

Mr. Achal Prabhala, Alternative Law Forum

16:30-17:00 Questions & Answers



Wednesday, 21 March 2007

Morning Session

II. Intellectual Property Regime under TRIPS: Obligations and Flexibilities (con't.)

9:00 Post-Grant Flexibilities: Compulsory Licensing of Patented Inventions

Dr. Sandy Harnisch, GTZ

10:30 Coffee Break

11:00 Post-Grant Flexibilities: Compulsory Licensing of Patented Inventions (con't.)

Dr. Sandy Harnisch, GTZ

11:30 Questions & Answers

12:15 Wrap-up Session: TRIPS Flexibilities

Mr. Christoph Spennemann, UNCTAD

12:30-14:00 Lunch

Afternoon Session

III. IPR Frameworks - Strategic Perspectives

14:00 Using TRIPS Flexibilities: The Regional Approach

Mr. Kiyoshi Adachi, UNCTAD

14:35 The Role of Civil Society in the Use of TRIPS Flexibilities

Mr. Jonathan Berger, AIDS Law Project

15:10 Beyond IPRs: Strategies for the Promotion of Local Production Capacities in Developing Countries

Mr. Frank Schmiedchen, Senior Officer, BMZ

15:45 Beyond IPRs: Trade and Fiscal Frameworks for Pharmaceutical Products

Ms. Kathy-Ann Brown, Commonwealth Secretariat

16:20 Questions & Answers

IV. Introduction to Role Play Exercise

17:00-18:00 Modalities & Objectives of the Role Play Exercise

Prof. Lichia Yiu, Prof. Raymond Saner, CSEND



Thursday, 22 March 2007

IV. Role Play Exercise

Prof. Lichia Yiu, Prof. Raymond Saner, CSEND

Resource Persons: Adachi, Brown, Edele, Harnisch, Prabhala, Schmiedchen, Spennemann

12:00-13:30 Lunch

16:00 Coffee break

Working Dinner w/ Academia – Training of Trainers

Friday, 23 March 2007

Morning Session

9:00 V. Debriefing – Role Play Exercise

Prof. Lichia Yiu, Prof. Raymond Saner, CSEND

Resource Persons: Adachi, Brown, Edele, Harnisch, Prabhala, Schmiedchen, Spennemann

11:00 Coffee break

11:15 VI. Closing Remarks, Workshop Evaluation and Certificate Presentations

Mr. Kiyoshi Adachi, UNCTAD

Mr. Frank Schmiedchen, BMZ

Mr. Michael Nebelung, Deputy Programme Director, ECBP

12:00-13.30 Lunch

Afternoon Session (participants from Tanzania and Ethiopia only; parallel sessions)

13:30 VII A . UNCTAD Analysis of Country Patent Law – Tanzania

Mr. Christoph Spennemann

13:30 VII B. UNCTAD Analysis of Country Patent Law – Ethiopia

Mr. Kiyoshi Adachi, Dr. Sandy Harnisch

15:30 Questions & Answers/Closing

