

Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications

Forty-Eighth Session
Geneva, March 24 to 27, 2025

DRAFT AGENDA

*prepared by the Secretariat**

1. Opening of the Session
2. Adoption of the Agenda
See the present document.
3. Election of a Chair and two Vice-Chairs for SCT/49

* Note by the Secretariat:

The session will take place in hybrid mode. The following tentative work program is envisaged:

March 24, 2025, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Items 1 to 4;

March 24, 2025, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Information Session on Geographical Indications (Value of Geographical Indications Around the World);

March 25, 2025, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Items 5 and 6;

March 25, 2025, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Information Session on Geographical Indications (Recognition of Geographical Indications as Valid Rights in the Domain Name Dispute Resolution Procedures: Recent Developments and Prospects);

March 26 and 27, 2025, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.: Outstanding issues and items 7 and 8.

4. Industrial Designs

- Updated Proposal by the Delegations of Canada, Israel, Japan, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom, the United States of America and the European Union and its member states for a Joint Recommendation Concerning Industrial Design Protection for Designs for Graphical User Interfaces
See document SCT/44/6 Rev.4.
- Proposal by the African Group for a Study on the Impact of Design Protection for Graphical User Interface (GUI) Designs on Innovation
See document SCT/46/5.
- Update by Member States on Digital Access Service (DAS) for Priority Documents

5. Trademarks

- Revised Proposal by the Delegations of Georgia, Iceland, Indonesia, Jamaica, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Mexico, Monaco, Peru, Senegal, Switzerland and the United Arab Emirates Concerning Examination Guidelines for Trademarks Which Consist of or Contain Country Names or Geographical Names of National Significance
See document SCT/43/6 Rev.2.
- Second Revised Proposal by the Delegation of Jamaica for a Joint Recommendation Concerning Provisions on the Protection of Country Names
See document SCT/43/9 Rev.
- Updated Proposal by the Delegations of Brazil, Ecuador, Georgia, Iceland, Indonesia, Jamaica, Liechtenstein, Malaysia, Mexico, Monaco, Peru, Senegal, Switzerland and United Arab Emirates Concerning the Protection of Country Names and Geographical Names of National Significance in the Domain Name System (DNS)
See document SCT/41/6 Rev.2.
- Update on Trademark-Related Aspects of the Domain Name System (DNS)
See document SCT/48/2.
- Proposal by the Delegations of Ecuador and Peru on Nation Brands
See document SCT/48/3.

6. Geographical Indications

- Proposal by the Delegation of Australia
See document SCT/48/4.

7. Summary by the Chair

8. Closing of the Session

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