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From September 30 to October 9, the 59th series of meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) take place in Geneva, Switzerland. Approximately 1000 delegates from 192 WIPO Member States participate in the current edition, including ambassadors, ministers, directors of intellectual property offices, leaders of international intergovernmental organizations in the field, etc., who will approve the strategic directions of development of the Organization for the next biennium.

The delegation of the Republic of Moldova is led by Andrei Popa, Interim Director General of the State Agency on Intellectual Property (AGEPI). The delegation is made up of Oxana Domenti, Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Moldova to the United Nations Office in Geneva and other international organizations in Switzerland, Octavian Apostol, Counsellor of the Director General of AGEPI and Liliana Vieru, Head of the Communication and International Relations Direction of AGEPI.

During the current session, decisions on multiple issues of major importance for WIPO will be addressed and taken, including the Adoption of the WIPO Program and Budget for the 2020-2021 Biennium, Opening of New WIPO External Offices, Convening of a Diplomatic Conference for the Adoption of a Design Law Treaty. Participants will also discuss about Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore, as well as some aspects of global development. Delegates will present on the functioning and prospects of developing the international protection systems managed by WIPO, meant to facilitate innovators and creators in the protection and exploitation of the intellectual potential at international level.

The 59th series of meetings of the Assemblies of the Member States of the World Intellectual Property Organization was opened by the Permanent Representative of Vietnam to the UN Office in Geneva, Ambassador Duong Chi Dung, who congratulated the Member States on opening the work of the 59th series of meetings of the Assemblies. Subsequently, the Director General of WIPO Francis Gurry reported on the progress made in the field of global intellectual property services, recorded by the Organization over the past year, and noted the increased interest in intellectual property worldwide.

In accordance with the agenda of the meeting, Member States presented country statements mentioning the achievements achieved in the development of WIPO and the international intellectual property system in general.

Thus, the delegation of the Republic of Moldova aligned with the statement of the Central European and Baltic States Regional Group, of which it is a part, appreciating the activity carried out by the WIPO Secretariat and the Member States in ensuring the political and financial stability of the organization and encouraging measures aimed at further improving the institutional governance and registration systems administered by WIPO, etc.

In the country statement [1], Mr. Popa mentioned the efforts made by the Government of Chisinau and AGEPI in building an economy based on knowledge and innovations.

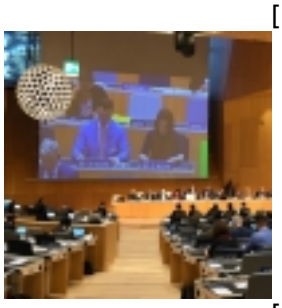
The representative of the Republic of Moldova wanted to bring to the attention of the highest forum the most recent achievements in the field of IP, especially on the dimension of promoting and exploiting the system of protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights. The delegation of the Republic of Moldova thanked WIPO and the Member States for their cooperation and support.

In addition, the delegation of the Republic of Moldova led by Andrei Popa will have a series of bilateral meetings with representatives of the regional and national IP offices in the Member States participating in the event.



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