

Permanent Mission of Pakistan to the UN Geneva

General Statement by Pakistan at the 32nd Session of the Committee on Development of Intellectual Property (CDIP) 29 April 2024

Thank you madam Chair,

At the outset, we congratulate you for your election and express our confidence in your stewardship of this very important meeting.

Pakistan aligns itself with the statement delivered by Iran on behalf of the APG.

We would like to thank DDG Hasan Kleib, Director Irfan Baloch and the Development Agenda Coordination Division for their hard work in the preparation of this meeting.

Madam Chair,

Pakistan attaches great importance to the work of the CDIP as an integral part of WIPO's overall mission to develop a balanced and effective international IP system for the benefit of all. This work is also key in the implementation and mainstreaming of the Development Agenda recommendations.

My delegation thanks the Director General for his report on the implementation of the Development Agenda and looks forward to discussions on this report. The provision of tailormade interventions through various project proposals is an important contribution by this Committee in the area of development cooperation.

We acknowledge the efforts by the Development Agenda Coordination Division for its close cooperation with the Member States during the implementation of Development Agenda projects as well as ensuring transparency through comprehensive progress reports.

We also look forward to fruitful discussions on the work program for implementation of adopted recommendations and to discuss the contribution of relevant WIPO bodies to the implementation of the respective DA recommendations.

Madam Chair,

My delegation welcomes the report on WIPO's contribution to the implementation of SDGs. Innovation does not only have an explicit focus on Goal 9 but it is also a key enabler for the implementation of other SDGs and their associated targets as identified under SDGs 1, 2, 3 and 4. My delegation therefore also recommends broadening the scope of WIPO's engagement on SDGs beyond Goal 9.

Development discussions must also expand beyond the CDIP integrating developmental considerations across various WIPO fora and other Committees.

My delegation remains keen to work with WIPO for the development of a balanced, effective international IP system that fosters an enabling environment for innovation and creativity, in particular in developing regions.

I thank you.
