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The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments and has the honor to invite representatives of Members and Observers of the *Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS)* to attend its ninth session, which will be held in hybrid format at WIPO Headquarters in Geneva and *via* an online platform, from Monday, November 1 to Friday, November 5, 2021. The session will take place from 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. (CET).

The Draft Agenda and other working documents are available on the WIPO website at: www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=64368. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the medical protocols that the Secretariat has introduced to safeguard participants and staff, the number of delegates authorized to attend the meetings in person will be two delegates per Member delegation and per Observer delegation.

Other participants may follow the live transmission of the CWS proceedings online, either *via* the online remote participation platform or *via* the live webcast on the WIPO website (publicly available in all United Nations languages). In addition, remote captioning will be available to facilitate accessibility.

In order to facilitate their registration and participation, all participants are required to register online at:

https://www.wipo.int/registration/en/form.jsp?registration_id=433. It would be appreciated if the participants could register online as soon as possible and no later than October 15, 2021.

All participants are kindly requested to respect this registration deadline so that all the necessary procedures can be completed to enable access to the remote participation platform. The registration form will allow representatives to indicate whether they will participate in the meeting on-site or remotely, and if they expect to have a speaking role.

Participants who indicate on the registration form that they will participate remotely will be contacted in advance of the start of the ninth CWS session concerning technical modalities for accessing the meeting via the online platform, and will be invited to a short, individual connectivity test/training session before the meeting.

WIPO encourages gender equity in all its meetings, and it would be appreciated if this could be taken into account when nominating the participants.

Any additional queries about this meeting may be addressed to the Secretariat at: cws.mail@wipo.int.

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