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Patent Information Activities at WIPO
by Neil Wilson, World Intellectual Property Organisation

Abstract:

The presentation will cover the existing portfolio of Patent Information facilities and tools made available by WIPO through its role in the administration of the Patent Cooperation Treaty. The presentation will also provide an insight as to how such tools and facilities may evolve in the medium and long term.

Biography:

Mr. Neil Wilson, a national of Australia, is Acting Chief Information Officer of WIPO. Mr. Wilson's career with WIPO dates from 1991 and his work has dealt with the automation of the procedural aspects of the various international treaties administered by the Organization, including the Madrid Agreement for the International Registration of Marks and the Hague Agreement for the International Registration of Industrial Designs. In particular, he has been involved in the integration of modern technologies whilst taking into account the legal requirements of the various treaties. More recently Mr. Wilson has taken responsibility for WIPO's PCT Information Systems where modernizing the methods of disseminating patent information is one of his many strategic priorities. Prior to his engagement with WIPO, Mr. Wilson had a long career in information technology in Australia, working in both the private and public sector, where in particular, he had completed a series of assignments for the Australian Patents, Trademarks and Designs Office (now Industrial Property Australia) gaining insight into industrial property issues

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