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**The Hague System: Insights into Refusals and New Developments,  
Opportunities**

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PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

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- 8.00 – 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 – 9.10 Opening
- Welcome address by:
- Ms. Jessamyn Honculada, Head, Hague Development and Promotion Section, The Hague Registry, Brands and Designs Sector
- 9.10 – 9.45 The Hague System: Recent Developments  
*General Overview, Update of Hague eServices*
- Speakers: Mr. Mikhail Faleev, Senior Information Officer, Hague Development and Promotion Section
- Mr. Jonah Asher, Assistant Program Officer, Hague Development and Promotion Section
- 9.45 – 10.30 Filing of an International Application  
*Mandatory and Optional Contents; Indication of Specific Features for Certain Offices; Reproduction Guidance*
- Speaker: Mr. Jonah Asher
- 10.30 – 10.45 Coffee Break
- 10.45 – 11.00 New opportunities for Designations
- Speaker: Ms. Päivi Lähdesmäki, Senior Advisor, The Hague Registry
- 11.00 – 11.40 Roundtable on Refusals Issued by Designated Offices  
*Practice and Experience of the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (ROSPATENT) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)*
- Speakers: Ms. Larissa Boroday, Head, International Registration Systems Department, Federal Institute of Industrial Property (FIPS), Federal Service for Intellectual Property (ROSPATENT), Moscow
- Representative from USPTO (tbc)
- 11.40 – 12.30 Discussion and Questions and Answers
- Moderator: Mr. Quan-Ling Sim, Head, Operations Service, The Hague Registry
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch Break

- 14.00 – 14.40 Roundtable on Refusals Issued by Designated Offices (*Cont'd*)  
*Practice and Experience of the Japan Patent Office (JPO)*  
*and the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO)*
- Speakers: Ms. Mayako Oe, Senior Specialist for International Application, Office for International Design Applications under the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement, Japan Patent Office (JPO)
- Ms. Eunmi Sohn, Deputy Director, Design Examination Policy Division, Trademark and Design Examination Bureau, Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO)
- 14.40 – 15.30 Discussion and Questions and Answers
- Moderator: Mr. Quan-Ling Sim
- 15.30 – 15.40 Coffee Break
- 15.40 – 16.10 User's Experiences of the Hague System
- Speaker: Ms. Irmeli Nokkanen, LL.M., European Design Attorney, European Trademark Attorney, Papula-Nevingpat, Helsinki
- 16.10 – 16.40 Discussion
- 16.40 Closing of the Seminar

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