



DEVELOPMENT, INNOVATION AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY PROGRAMME (DIIP)

Monthly Update

June 2017

HIGHLIGHTS

- South Centre participated in the Latin American Congress titled: “*Mother Earth: One Health*” held in Rosario, Argentina. The purpose of the meeting was to analyze the multisectoral nature of antimicrobial resistance and environmental health. Ms. Mirza Alas made a presentation on research, development and access to antibiotics and the patent system. The Congress was held on 12-16 June and organized by the Institute of Socio-Environmental Health of the National University of Rosario together with ReAct Latin America and partners. The week long congress gathered people from sixteen countries, social movements, scientific institutions, indigenous communities and others.



- New *Policy Brief* by Nirmalya Syam, **Outcomes of the Nineteenth Session of the WIPO Committee on Development and Intellectual Property: A Critical Reflection**, *Policy Brief* 40, South Centre, June 2017. The Policy Brief is available from <https://www.southcentre.int/policy-brief-40-june-2017/>.

PUBLICATIONS

Background Notes

- Background Note to the 26th session of the WIPO Standing Committee on the Law of Patents, June 2017.

- Comments on the Proposal by Canada on Patents and Health in the WIPO Standing Committee on the Law of Patents (SCP/26/6), June 2017.
- Matrix of Key Issues in the WTO TRIPS Council, June 2017.

SouthNews Articles

- WTO Members Share Experiences in Use of Compulsory Licensing of Intellectual Property for Public Interest, *SouthNews* No. 160, 14 June 2017.

EVENTS/MEETINGS

- 7 June, Working Lunch Meeting at the South Centre in preparation for the *Thirty-Fourth session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions (IGC)*, held on 12-16 June.
- 8 June, Working Lunch Meeting at the South Centre in preparation for the *WTO TRIPS Council*, held on 13-14 June
- 30 June, Meeting at the South Centre in preparation for the *Twenty-Sixth session of the WIPO Standing Committee on the Law of Patents (SCP)*, held on 3-6 July 2017.

PARTICIPATION IN EXTERNAL EVENTS

- 6-8 June, *CLIPNet meeting* held in Rome. Prof. Carlos Correa participated made a presentation on CGIAR Principles on Intellectual Assets and how they have addressed the tension between the production of international public goods, exclusivity agreements and the protection by IPRs of CGIAR Centre's outcomes of research.
- 12-16 June, *Thirty-Fourth Session of the WIPO Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore*, held at the WIPO Headquarters in Geneva. The DIIP Team Participated.
- 13-14 June, *WTO Council for TRIPS*, held at the WIPO Headquarters in Geneva. The DIIP Team Participated.
- 14-16 June, *Second Meeting of the Overall Programme Review of the Global Strategy and Plan of Action on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property (GSPA-PHI)*. Prof. Carlos Correa participated as a member of the review panel; Dr. Germán Velásquez participated at a consultative meeting for IGOs and NGOs.
- 15 June, conference on the *Global Debate on Intellectual Property, Trade and Development: Past, Present and Future*, by the University of Geneva. Prof. Carlos Correa attended and made a presentation on "IP under BITs-Eli Lilly v. Canada".
- 20 June, *European Parliament's INTA Committee: hearing on Intellectual property rights in international trade*, Prof. Carlos Correa participated and made a presentation that focused on the incoherence of the European Commission demands in FTAs/EPAs with

the European Parliament Resolutions of 2007 and 2016, and with the governments' efforts to realize the human right to health.

- 27 June, *Workshop on biodiversity beyond national jurisdiction* organized in Brasilia by the Brazilian Foreign Ministry. The objective of the meeting was to consider options for the binding instrument under negotiation on marine genetic resources in the Area beyond national jurisdictions, and to provide technical support to the Foreign Ministry in this regard. Prof. Carlos Correa participated and made a presentation on marine genetic resources.
- 29 June, *Summer School on Human Rights and Development*, hosted by the International Youth and Student Movement for the UN (ISMUN) and the South Centre. Dr. Viviana Muñoz participated and made a presentation on the Right to Health, Access to Medicines and IP.

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