2021 IP5 Heads of Office meetings

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Patent Public Advisory Committee quarterly meeting
IP5 Heads of Office and IP5 Industry meeting

• June 22, 2021
• Hosted virtually by JPO
• IP5 Office delegates from USPTO, EPO, JPO, KIPO, CNIPA, and WIPO
• IP5 Industry delegates from AIPLA, BusinessEurope, IPO, JIPA, KINPA, and PPAC
IP5 Heads of Office and IP5 Industry meeting (cont.)

• Meeting topics
  – Update on the two new harmonization of patent practices and procedures projects in the Patent Harmonization Experts Panel (PHEP)
  – IP5 NET/Al roadmap
  – Cooperation in the post-pandemic era
  – 2022 high-level meetings
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• Meeting focus
  – Recognizing the changing needs of users in the post-pandemic “new normal” and focusing cooperation on initiatives that benefit users

• Endorsement of progress and next steps of working groups
  – IP5 NET/AI roadmap
  – Patent Harmonization Experts Panel (PHEP) new projects
    • Global Assignment (USPTO/KIPO)
    • Allowable Features in Drawings (JPO)
  – Continued interaction with users on practical IP5 initiatives
  – 2022 high-level meetings
Next steps

- IP5 discussions on cooperation in the post-pandemic era - on-going
- Begin work on the two new PHEP projects – summer 2021
- Share NET/AI roadmap – summer 2021
- Next IP5 Heads meeting hosted by EPO – June 2022 in Munich, Germany
Thank you!

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