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The Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) presents his compliments and has the honor to invite Members and Observers to be represented at the second session of the *WIPO ICT Leadership Dialogue* (WILD) which will take place in Geneva, at the WIPO Headquarters, from April 14 to 16, 2026. The session will be held daily from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. (CEST).

The WILD provides a forum for leaders from intellectual property (IP) offices or organizations to discuss matters related to information and communications technology (ICT) and IP including digital strategies and policy, digital solutions, IP data, and implications of emerging technologies for IP administration and related services. It is therefore expected that ICT leaders such as chief information officers or senior management officials, if desired, heads of IP offices will be attending the WILD.

The provisional program (document WILD/2/1 Prov.) is available on the WIPO website at: https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=90908 and other working documents will be made available in due course.

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided in English, Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian and Spanish.

Delegates nominated to participate physically on site are requested to register by April 1, 2026, using the following link https://www.wipo.int/registration/en/form.jsp?organization=WIPO®istration_id=637 and secure code: YV96DQ37HX.

As WIPO is committed to promoting gender equality, it would be appreciated if parity could be taken into account when nominating the representative(s).

Furthermore, the first session of WILD identified several key actions which are recommended to be taken by IP offices and WIPO. Should your Office wish to participate in the next step actions, details of your representative(s) should be sent to the Secretariat at: ict-leadership@wipo.int by January 30, 2026. Please see the Annex to this circular for further details regarding the next step actions and guidance for participation in the actions.

Any queries in relation to this session may be addressed to the Secretariat at: ict-leadership@wipo.int.

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Enclosure: Annex - Next step actions and guidance for participation

NEXT STEP ACTIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR PARTICIPATION

At the first session of WILD, participants identified the following five key actions which are recommended to be taken by IP offices and WIPO for next steps:

- (a) Establishing a network of chief information and chief technology officers (CIO/CTO) among IP offices;
- (b) Setting up a forum to share information about ICT services and solution portfolios;
- (c) Organizing knowledge-sharing workshops or training sessions to build capacities;
- (d) Collaborating on a pilot project(s) to utilize emerging technologies, for instance an event on tools, such as a hackathon or code fest, for IP business and services; and
- (e) Establishing a focus group(s) for collaboration on key areas of interest: an AI tools group was suggested as the first such group.

In alignment with the identified key actions, the Secretariat proposes to establish two groups: (1) the CIO-CTO Network—which brings together CIOs, CTOs, or senior ICT leaders responsible for policy, strategy, and digital transformation—and (2) the AI Tool Collaboration Group, made up of business owners or AI specialists driving AI transformation. Participation in both initiatives is completely voluntary.

If your Office is interested in participating in the CIO-CTO Network and/or the Collaboration Group, the following details should be sent to the Secretariat at: ict-leadership@wipo.int:

- Initiatives that your Office wishes to participate in (the CIO-CTO Network/the AI Tool Collaboration Group);
- Name of Office/Organization;
- Last name, First name (Mr./Ms.);
- Position in the Office; and
- E-mail address.