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Opening Remarks



Masahiko GEMMA, Professor and Vice President for International Affairs, Waseda University

Professor Gemma received his Ph.D from the University of Minnesota in 1989. He worked at the International Development Center of Japan (IDCJ) as an economist from 1989 to 1991 and joined Waseda University in 1993 after serving as a faculty member at Yokohama City University from 1991 to 1993. His current research interests comprise issues on food and environmental problems. He has been serving as Director of the Institute of Japan-US Studies at Waseda University since 2008. From 2016 to 2018, he served as Director of the Organization for Regional and Inter-regional Studies (ORIS), and from 2018 to 2021, he was President of the U.S. Japan Research Institute (USJI) in Washington, D.C. He has been APAIE Director and Vice President for International Affairs at Waseda University since 2018.



Masabumi SUZUKI, Faculty of Law, Waseda University

Professor Masabumi Suzuki is a professor of intellectual property law at the Faculty of Law, Waseda University. He is also a co-director of the Waseda University Research Center for the Legal System of Intellectual Property (RCLIP). Professor Suzuki received an LL.B. from the University of Tokyo (1981) and an LL.M. from Harvard Law School (1986). He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1987, and he completed his legal training at the Legal Training and Research Institute of Japan in 1994. Before joining the faculty at Waseda, Professor Suzuki was a professor at Nagoya University from 2002 to 2023, where he also served as Dean of its Graduate School of Law from 2018 to 2020. He has also taught as a visiting professor or lecturer at multiple universities outside Japan, including at National Taiwan University, Maastricht University, and Ca' Foscari University of Venice. Professor Suzuki is a member of the Management Boards of academic associations related to IP law in Japan, and of the Editorial Board of GRUR International. He is also on the indicative list of panelists at the WTO Dispute Settlement Body. His recent works include Sub-Patent Innovation Rights Utility Models, Petty Patents and Innovation Patents Around the World (Jorge L. Contreras ed., Cambridge University Press 2025), Commentaries on the Japanese Trademark Act (Masabumi Suzuki et al. eds., Keiso Shobo 2022), Reactive Instruments of Social Governance (Alexander Bruns & Masabumi Suzuki eds., Mohr Siebeck 2019), and Patent Remedies and Complex Products: Toward a Global Consensus (Bradford Biddle et al. eds., Cambridge University Press 2019).



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Keynotes



Hasan KLEIB, Deputy Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization

Mr. Hasan Kleib is Deputy Director General for the Regional and National Development Sector of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) since January 2021. Prior to the role, he was the Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations, the World Trade Organization (WTO) and other International Organizations in Geneva from 2017 to 2020. During his tenure, Mr. Kleib served as the Chairman of the Committee on Development and Intellectual Property in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. From 2012-2017, he was the Deputy Foreign Minister for Multilateral Affairs of Indonesia after finishing his tenure as Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations in New York. Since 1987, he has served a number of roles in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, including Director for International Security and Disarmament, and in Indonesian Missions abroad, including as Head of the Political Division at the Indonesian Embassy in Washington, D.C., and as political official at the Permanent Mission

of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations in New York. Mr. Kleib received Bachelor's degree in International Relations from Padjadjaran University in Indonesia and Master's Degree in Foreign Affairs and Trade from Monash University in Australia.



Johanna HILL, Deputy Director-General, World Trade Organization

Johanna Hill is a Deputy Director-General at the World Trade Organization, a position she assumed on 13 November 2023. With over 30 years of experience in international trade, Ms Hill, a native of El Salvador, has collaborated with governments and businesses to foster economic development through international policy and trade negotiations. Before joining the WTO, Ms Hill advised firms and SMEs on trade regulations, foreign direct investment strategies, and market access. She has also held senior roles in financial institutions and has leadership experience in telecommunications regulation. Additionally, she served as Vice Minister of Economy for El Salvador, where she oversaw trade policy formulation and negotiated both bilateral and multilateral trade agreements. In her role as Deputy Director-General, Ms Hill leads the WTO's work on economic research and statistics, digital trade, intellectual property, government procurement, competition, trade in services and investment, and documentation and information management. She holds a bachelor's degree from Tufts University and a master's degree from Columbia University and serves on the board of TradeExperettes.



Takuya YASUI, Director, Multilateral Policy Office, International Policy Division Japan Patent Office

Takuya Yasui is the Director of the Multilateral Policy Office at the Japan Patent Office (JPO), where he oversees multilateral cooperation in intellectual property (IP), particularly focusing on discussions at the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO). He holds a Master's degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences from the University of Tokyo and an LL.M. in Intellectual Property from the University of Washington in the United States. Since joining the JPO in 2004, Mr. Yasui has served as a patent examiner specializing in pharmaceuticals and biotechnology. He later contributed to economic partnership negotiations, including the Regional Comprehensive Economic Partnership (RCEP) and the Economic Partnership Agreement, at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry. From 2021, he spent three years as a First Secretary at the Permanent Mission in Geneva, actively engaging in intensive IP discussions at WIPO, the World Trade Organization (WTO), and the World Health Organization (WHO). In addition to his extensive experience in international IP discussions, Mr. Yasui is a licensed pharmacist in Japan, providing him with a unique perspective and deep expertise in the intersection of pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, and intellectual property.

Presenters (Plenaries and Parallel Sessions) and Chairs

In Alphabetical Order by Surname (in Capital Letters)



Kiyoshi ADACHI, National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies

Kiyoshi Adachi is a Visiting Scholar with the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies in Tokyo, where he conducts research on issues related to trade agreements, intellectual property, competition law and public health issues. He frequently lectures on these topics at seminars and meetings in Japan and abroad. In addition to numerous United Nations publications, he has published chapters and articles, including with Oxford University Press in *Megaregulation Contested: Global Economic Ordering after TPP* (2019). He is also an adjunct professor of international law at Hosei University. Mr. Adachi is concurrently a Legal Officer of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) where he deals with the integrated treatment of intellectual property, technology transfer and development issues. Before joining UNCTAD, he worked with the United Nations in New York and Vienna, and with an international law firm in Tokyo. Mr. Adachi holds both a Masters of Public Administration degree from the American University School of Public Affairs and a *Juris Doctor* from the UCLA School of Law, as well as a Bachelor of Arts in Government and Asian Studies from Dartmouth College. He is admitted to the bars of Pennsylvania and the District of Columbia, USA.



Sonali AGNIHOTRI, Faculty of Law, Kalinga University

My name is Sonali Agnihotri. I am currently enrolled as a PhD in Law from Faculty of Law, Kalinga University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh. I have a teaching experience of **seven years** as Assistant Professor (Law) in Indore Institute of Law, C.V. Raman University & LCIT College of Legal Studies. I did my graduation in B.A. LL.B. from Amity University, Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh, India and Masters in Law [LL.M.] with specialization in Corporate Law from Gujarat National Law University, Gandhi Nagar, Gujarat, India.



Rajat AGRAWAL, Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee

Rajat Agrawal is a Professor and Head of the Department of Management Studies at the Indian Institute of Technology Roorkee, Roorkee. He is also DPIIT-IPR Chair at IIT Roorkee. He was Associate Dean of Innovation and Incubation, IIT Roorkee. He is a joint Faculty member at the Department of Design, IIT Roorkee. He is a recipient of the Ram Kumar Award for Teaching and Research at IIT Roorkee. Prof Rajat has attended IP and Fostering Innovation programmes at the Japan Patent Office, Tokyo, and the Danida Fellowship program in Copenhagen, Denmark. He has guided 27 doctoral theses so far and published extensively in peer-reviewed journals.



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Jesabel D. Aguilar graduated cum laude in Legal Studies from Saint Louis University (2017) and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of the Cordilleras (2022). A 2022 bar passer, she us an experienced international paralegal and is now a litigation lawyer at The Law Firm of Villaluz Galapon Cadabuna & Associates in Santiago City, Isabela, Philippines.



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Ahmed Essa Al-Sulaiti serves as the Director of the Office of the State of Qatar to the World Trade Organization, World Intellectual Property Organization, and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development. He brings extensive expertise in international law, and diplomacy, particularly in trade, intellectual property, and national security. With 13 years of experience in international negotiations, mediations, arbitrations, and strategic dispute resolution. He has held key leadership roles, including President of the Berne Union (WIPO), Chair of the WTO Committee on Anti-Dumping Practices, Vice Chair of the Berne Parliamentary Assembly, and President of the International Law Association (ILA) GCC Branch. Recently, Ahmed contributed to the drafting committee for the Design Law Treaty at the WIPO Diplomatic

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Noura ALMUTAIRI, Kuwait University School of Law

Dr Noura Almutairi received her Law degree with distinction from Kuwait University in 2011. While studying for her LLM in Private Law at Kuwait University, she joined Kuwait International Law School (KILAW) as a Teaching Assistant in 2013. She taught many subjects at KILAW, including e-commerce, civil law, etc. She got the award from the prince of Kuwait, Sabah IV Ahmad Al-Jabber Al-Sabah, as she got the highest GBA among LLM students. Also, she was accepted for a scholarship from Kuwait University to complete a doctoral study in Britain. She received her PhD Award from Dundee University in November 2021. Her thesis is "The Right to Privacy under Kuwaiti Law: Towards Strengthening it Against Private Companies and Ensuring Civil Liability for its Breach". Dr Almutairi is currently working as an assistant professor at Kuwait University School of Law and Private Law Department, where her research interests include AI, IP Law, the right to privacy (informational privacy), and the tort liability of tech companies. She is also a senior advisor at Access Partnership, in the UK. She presented her papers at various international conferences, such as the Society of Legal Scholars in 2022, the annual Gulf research meeting in Cambridge in 2023, and the Sixth IP & Innovation Researchers of Asia Conference Foreign Trade University, Hanoi in 2024.



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Dr. Noor Asfia Awan is a distinguished expert with over 15 years of experience in intellectual property (IP), agriculture, International Trade, Organic Farming, Branding & Commercialization, sustainability, and economic development. As the CEO of Intellectual Property Experts Consultancy (IPEC), she has spearheaded transformative projects that integrate innovation with practical strategies, driving economic growth and sustainable practices at both national and international levels. Dr. Asfia holds a PhD in Total Quality Management (TQM) and applied the QFD model to learn about the Global Quality Compliance and technical Standards. She also holds a BBA (H) in Business Administrations and an LLB with specialization in Intellectual Property, Geographical Indications (GI), and International Law. She has completed advanced certifications from the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and Harvard Law School in areas such as IP, Geographical Indications and global trade. Her expertise spans a wide range of sectors, including intellectual property rights, geographical indications, quality management systems, sustainable development, and international trade. Notably, she has led high-impact initiatives with organizations like WIPO, the Ministry of Commerce, and the CPEC-Planning Commission, promoting the protection and commercialization of indigenous products, particularly in Pakistan. Her work in developing GI frameworks has helped local producers build strong, globally recognized brands, contributing to both economic growth and cultural preservation. A passionate advocate for women's empowerment, Dr. Asfia also mentors' female entrepreneurs, guiding them toward innovation and sustainable business practices. With a deep commitment to fostering global trade competitiveness and sustainable growth, she continues to be a key voice in shaping the future of intellectual property and economic development. Dr. Asfia's thought leadership and strategic vision make her a trusted consultant, helping governments and organizations navigate complex challenges and achieve long-term success.



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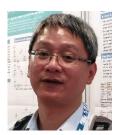
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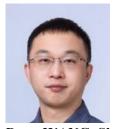
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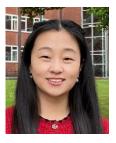
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