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To: Delegations

Subject: Priorities of the Belgian Presidency in the field of Industrial Property

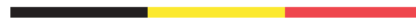
Delegations will find attached a PowerPoint presentation on the priorities of the Belgian Presidency, as presented to the Intellectual Property Working Party on 12 January 2024.

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Belgian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

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Working Party Intellectual Property (Patents)



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Framework for presidency priorities



Priorities of the Belgian Presidency

- 1. Defending rule of law, democracy, and unity*
- 2. Strengthening our competitiveness*
- 3. Pursuing a green and just transition*
- 4. Reinforcing our social and health agenda*
- 5. Protecting people and borders*
- 6. Promoting a global Europe*



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Priorities in the Working Party on IP (Patents)



Working Party on IP (Patents) Legislative Priorities

The Belgian presidency has as main priority the advancement of the **Patent Package**:

- **Compulsory licensing:** high priority, commence and advance discussions as much as possible to improve the EU's resilience in crises
- **Supplementary Protection Certificates:** resume discussions with a focus on the unitary aspect
- **Standard Essential Patents:** to the extent possible, advancement favoring targeted discussions.

Working Party on IP WIPO Coordination

The Belgian presidency is committed to ensure a smooth, inclusive and solid **WIPO coordination** as regards:

- Preparation, organization of EU coordination and representation of the EU and its Member States during the Diplomatic Conference to conclude an International Legal Instrument Relating to Intellectual Property, **Genetic Resources and Traditional Knowledge** (May 2024)
- Preparation and organization of EU coordination before the Diplomatic Conference to conclude **a Design Law Treaty** (November 2024)
- Other WIPO coordination work, including the GA.

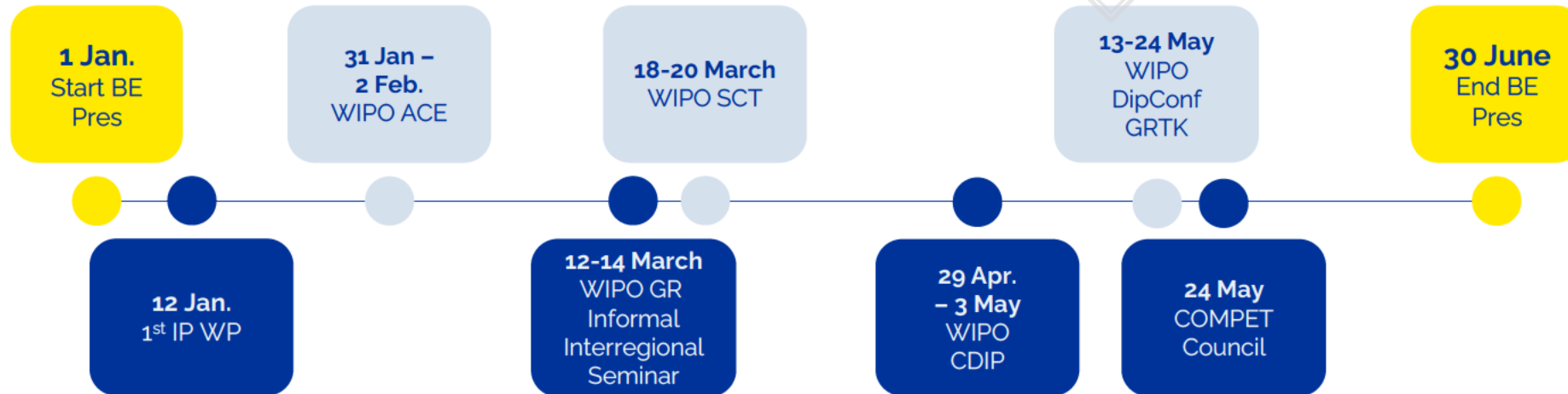
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