



**ACTIVITÉS DE COOPÉRATION TECHNIQUE: RENSEIGNEMENTS FOURNIS
PAR D'AUTRES ORGANISATIONS INTERGOUVERNEMENTALES**

CONSEIL DE COOPÉRATION DES ÉTATS ARABES DU GOLFE

À sa réunion des 14-15 juin 2023, le Conseil des ADPIC est convenu d'inviter les observateurs des organisations intergouvernementales auprès du Conseil à mettre à jour les renseignements fournis sur leurs activités de coopération technique et financière en rapport avec la mise en œuvre de l'Accord sur les ADPIC.

Le présent document contient les renseignements reçus du Conseil de coopération des États arabes du Golfe (CCG) dans une communication datée du 3 septembre 2023.

Introduction

1. Le CCG est une organisation intergouvernementale dont les États membres sont les Émirats arabes unis, l'État du Koweït, Oman, le Qatar, le Royaume d'Arabie saoudite et le Royaume de Bahreïn.
2. Conformément à l'article 20 de l'Accord économique du CCG, selon lequel "les États membres élaboreront des programmes encourageant les talents et appuyant l'innovation et l'invention; collaboreront dans le domaine de la propriété intellectuelle et élaboreront des règlements et procédures garantissant la protection des droits de propriété intellectuelle; et coordonneront leurs politiques vis-à-vis des autres pays, des blocs régionaux et des organisations internationales et régionales", le Secrétariat général du CCG destine la plupart de ses activités de coopération technique à ses États membres.
3. Le présent document contient un rapport concernant les principales activités de coopération technique organisées par le Secrétariat général du CCG - Office des brevets du CCG, seul ou en coopération avec d'autres parties, entre le 1^{er} septembre 2022 et le 1^{er} septembre 2023 et qui ont un lien avec la propriété intellectuelle, suite à l'invitation de la Présidence du Conseil des ADPIC de l'OMC à fournir des renseignements actualisés sur ces activités.

Les activités d'assistance technique organisées par le Secrétariat général du CCG ou en coopération avec d'autres parties pendant la période susmentionnée ont porté sur divers aspects concrets de la propriété intellectuelle. Ces activités ont été organisées sous la forme d'ateliers, de formations en cours d'emploi, de détachements ou d'aides à la participation à des conférences ou à des manifestations internationales sur la propriété intellectuelle. Les activités en question sont énumérées en annexe.

ANNEXE¹

Name of programme or project	Patent Applications Drafting and Searching in Patent databases
Date and end date	5 September 2022 - 5 September 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Oman
Brief description	The Patent Application Drafting and Searching in Patent Databases is a specialized training program in patent field highlighting the general rules in patent drafting and novelty searching in patent databases.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Patent specialists from Sultanate of Oman and some GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC and patent competent authority in Sultanate of Oman
Outputs or impact	Enhancing their capabilities to how to draft the patent application and the mechanism of searching for what was previously published among the prior art.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Trademark Examination Program
Date and end date	12 September 2022 - 12 September 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	The State of Kuwait
Brief description	The GCC Intellectual Property Training Center held a program on how to examine trademarks according to the GCC Trademark Law, in cooperation with the Egyptian trademark competent authority.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC and Egyptian trademark competent authority
Outputs or impact	Enhancing the examiner's capability on trademark examination.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

¹ En anglais seulement.

Name of programme or project	Novelty Search for Pharmaceutical Patent Applications
Date and end date	14 September 2022 - 14 September 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain
Brief description	The GCC-IPTC held a program on how to conduct a novelty search for pharmaceutical patent applications, in cooperation with the patent competent authority in the kingdom of Bahrain and Norwegian Patent office.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Patent examiners from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC and Norwegian Patent Office
Outputs or impact	Enhancing the novelty search capability in pharmaceutical patent applications.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Trademark Offices Management
Date and end date	19 September 2022 - 19 September 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain
Brief description	The GCC-IPTC held a program on management of the trademark offices, in cooperation with the competent authority in the kingdom of Bahrain and Norwegian trademark authority.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Trademark specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC and Norwegian trademark authority
Outputs or impact	It aims to provide participants with information and knowledge related to the management of the Trademarks Department, giving the participants a full understanding of how the National Trademark Office develops and operates.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Information Exchange on AI Innovations.
Date and end date	21 September 2022 - 22 September 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	How GCC member States and their Intellectual Property Offices support and enhance innovation in artificial intelligence
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	WIPO
Outputs or impact	Enhancing awareness of innovation in the field of artificial intelligence
Website for further information	www.wipo.int
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Intellectual Property as a Tool for the Development of Small and Medium Enterprises, and Intellectual Property in Digital Content
Date and end date	4 October 2022 - 5 October 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The GCC-IPTC in cooperation with the Emirates Intellectual Property Association, held a workshop entitled "Intellectual Property as a Tool for the Development of Small and Medium Enterprises" and "Intellectual Property in Digital Content".
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC
Outputs or impact	Raising awareness on the challenges facing intellectual property rights in the digital age, and the role of intellectual property in enhancing the competitiveness of small and medium enterprises.
Website for further information	www.gccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Bank Al Jazira Innovation Support Program (Creators)
Date and end date	10 October 2022 - 10 October 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Brief description	Workshop aims to support the innovators and inventors students.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Group of school students
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC Patent Office
Outputs or impact	Highlighting the importance of IP and encouraging the students to invent and innovate and protect their rights.
Website for further information	www.bankaljazira.com
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	A Campaign to Enhance Awareness of Intellectual Property among schools' Students
Date and end date	6 November 2022 - 6 March 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	the State of Kuwait
Brief description	The GCC-IPTC has launched a campaign to enhance awareness of intellectual property among schools' students in cooperation with the Kuwait Oil Company, the Kuwait National Library and the Ministry of Education in the State of Kuwait.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Schools' students - State of Kuwait
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC, the Kuwait Oil Company, the Kuwait National Library and the Ministry of Education in State of Kuwait
Outputs or impact	Increasing awareness and knowledge of the role and importance of the different types of Intellectual Property rights.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	International Virtual Conference on Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, Technology and Entrepreneurship Ecosystem
Date and end date	15 November 2022 - 17 November 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	International Virtual Conference on Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, Technology and Entrepreneurship Ecosystem aims to bring leading practitioners, academic scientists, researchers, and industry experts together.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Public
Technical cooperation provider(s)	Ecosystem Consultants - Kuwait
Outputs or impact	Exchanging and sharing the experiences, ideas, and research results about innovation, artificial intelligence, technology, entrepreneurship ecosystem.
Website for further information	www.ecosystemconsultants.com
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Examination of Patent Applications workshop
Date and end date	20 November 2022 - 23 November 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	Workshop in the field of examination of patent applications, in cooperation with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).
Beneficiary institution or audience	Examiners from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	WIPO
Outputs or impact	Enhancing patent examination capability of patent examiners from GCC member States.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Intellectual Property for Judicial Authority
Date and end date	21 November 2022 - 23 November 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The GCC-IPTC in cooperation with the National Institute of Industrial Property in France, held a specialized program for officials from the judicial authorities at the GCC member states.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialized judges from GCC member states
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC and the French National Institute of Industrial Property
Outputs or impact	To enhance the capabilities of the participating judges to understand the different nature and experiences of litigation in various fields of intellectual property.
Website for further information	www.gccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Lessons Learned and Best Practices Related to Intellectual Property in the Arab Region
Date and end date	5 December 2022 - 6 December 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	Workshop on the role of modern intellectual property systems in promoting innovation
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	WIPO
Outputs or impact	Provide an opportunity for representatives of the intellectual property offices to enhance their capacity in IP ecosystem.
Website for further information	www.wipo.int
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Intellectual Property and Vaccines during Global Pandemic
Date and end date	5 December 2022 - 6 December 2022
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	Seminar about the role of Intellectual Property in reaching to new vaccines and other therapeutic medicines.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC-IPTC, WIPO, WHO and WTO
Outputs or impact	Enhancing the knowledge regarding the relationship between IP rights and new medicines and vaccines.
Website for further information	www.gccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	High Growth Technology Business Forum 2023: Funding Growth
Date and end date	1 January 2023 - 1 January 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	This forum highlights the key role played by IPR (intellectual property rights) portfolios and strategy in attracting investments and increasing company value. The featured live case study will be discussed from the perspective of both founders and investors.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	European Patent Office (EPO)
Outputs or impact	Learn strategies for attracting investments and increasing company value with the help of intellectual property rights.
Website for further information	www.epo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	The third session of the Asian Intellectual Property Dialogue
Date and end date	31 January 2023 - 1 January 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The dialogue aims to provide an opportunity to exchange views and information on intellectual property policy, including patents, and emerging trends in the field of intellectual property, and to identify best practices in the use of the intellectual property system in order to enhance aspects of development, in addition to Explore possible areas of cooperation.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	WIPO, JPO and Arab League.
Outputs or impact	Discussing the implications of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and IP on Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) and the future of IP in the digital era.
Website for further information	www.wipo.int , www.jpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	The thirteenth International Exhibition of Inventions in the Middle East
Date and end date	12 February 2023 - 15 February 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The General Secretariat of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, represented by the Patent Office, participated in the 13th International Exhibition of Inventions in the Middle East, the selection of inventors from citizens of the GCC countries to participate in this international exhibition is done by a specialized team of arbitrators in the GCC Patent Office to choose the best among the inventions that have been submitted .
Beneficiary institution or audience	Public
Technical cooperation provider(s)	The Kuwait Science Club, Kuwait
Outputs or impact	Provide supports to inventors from the GCC States.
Website for further information	www.ksclub.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Malaysian International Exhibition of Inventions ITEX23
Date and end date	11 May 2023 - 12 May 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The General Secretariat of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf, represented by the Patent Office, hosted inventors from each GCC member states to participate at the Malaysian International Exhibition of Inventions ITEX23 to encourage them and contribute to the marketing of their inventions .
Beneficiary institution or audience	Inventors from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	ITEX23, Malaysia
Outputs or impact	Provide support to inventors from the GCC member states.
Website for further information	www.itex.com.my
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	An introductory lecture on the Patent Office at the GCC General Secretariat
Date and end date	15 May 2023 - 15 May 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Brief description	The GCC Patent Office presented an introductory session on the GCC Patent Law and work at the GCC Patent Office to the students of college of Law at King Saud University.
Beneficiary institution or audience	King Saud University - Riyadh
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC Patent Office
Outputs or impact	Enhancing the students' knowledge on Intellectual Property and its different legal rights.
Website for further information	www.gccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Search Matters 2023 Conference
Date and end date	23 May 2023 - 25 May 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	The aim of this conference is to fostering innovation by sharing patent knowledge and supporting innovators in finding technologies that contribute to a smarter, safer and more sustainable world.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	European Patent Office (EPO)
Outputs or impact	Finding out the best search strategies for more sustainable world.
Website for further information	www.epo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Business Visit to IP Authority in State of Qatar
Date and end date	15 June 2023 - 15 June 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Qatar
Brief description	To offer the services provided by the Patent Office at the GCC, as stipulated in Article 1 bis 1 of the GCC Patent Law (05 January 2021) in addition to electronic linkage between the two sides.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Patent authority at the State of Qatar
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC Patent Office
Outputs or impact	The Patent authority at the State of Qatar has authorized the GCC Patent Office to receive, formally check and technically examine national Patent applications starting from 1 July 2023.
Website for further information	www.gccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	The fourth GCC Virtual Conference to Support Ecosystem Innovation, Artificial Intelligence, Technology and Entrepreneurship
Date and end date	20 June 2023 - 22 June 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Bahrain; the State of Kuwait; Oman; Qatar; Kingdom of Saudi Arabia; United Arab Emirates
Brief description	It aims to bring leading practitioners, academic scientists and researchers together.
Beneficiary institution or audience	Specialists from GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	Ecosystem Consultants - Kuwait.
Outputs or impact	Exchanging and sharing experiences, ideas about innovation and artificial intelligence, entrepreneurship ecosystem in the GCC region.
Website for further information	www.ecosystemconsultants.com
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Paralegal training program for Patent Examination
Date and end date	17 July 2023 - 30 July 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Brief description	The Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property, in cooperation with the US Patent and Trademark Office, conducted the semi-regional training program for patent examination.
Beneficiary institution or audience	GCC Patent Office and Patents Offices in the GCC member States
Technical cooperation provider(s)	The US Patent and Trademark Office
Outputs or impact	Enhancing the examination capability of the patent examiners.
Website for further information	www.saiip.gov.sa
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office

Name of programme or project	Supporting the Young Inventors Laboratory in the State of Kuwait
Date and end date	26 July 2023 - 26 July 2023
Beneficiary Member(s) or observer(s)	the State of Kuwait
Brief description	The Patent Office at GCC General Secretariat conducted a workshop to support and encourage young Inventors.
Beneficiary institution or audience	The Young Inventors Laboratory – State of Kuwait
Technical cooperation provider(s)	GCC Patent Office
Outputs or impact	Enhancing their capabilities to come up with new ideas and solutions.
Website for further information	www.qccpo.org
Contact point for further information	GCC Patent Office
