

2023 TM5 Joint Statement

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TM5 Partners, namely, the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), the Japan Patent Office (JPO), the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) gathered together in Incheon, the Republic of Korea, on 11 and 12 September 2023 for the TM5 Annual Meeting hosted by KIPO. The meeting was also attended by the World Intellectual Property Office (WIPO) as an observer.

The TM5 Partners have provided significant contributions toward the advancement of intellectual property through cooperation and collaboration between members in the field of trademarks over the past decade.

Bearing in mind the pivotal role played by intellectual property as a catalyst for innovation, the Partners have wholeheartedly committed themselves to the harmonization and improvement of trademark procedures and practices.

Moreover, the Partners keenly understand the momentous shift that the forthcoming decade is poised to bring. In preparation for the expected changes, the TM5 Partners will continue to cooperate on the following initiatives:

- TM5 Partners will continue to share information and exchange views on the evolving trademark landscape, including emerging technologies like the metaverse and artificial intelligence, and evolving commercial practices.**
- TM5 Partners will continue to strive to further enhance the quality and efficiency of trademark examination, and provide better trademark-related services to applicants and legitimate trademark holders at each office.**
- TM5 Partners will continue to encourage user participation through hosting TM5 user sessions, undertaking TM5 common projects, and providing easy-to-understand information related to trademarks.**

In conclusion, the TM5 Partners hereby declare their unwavering commitment to enhancing global cooperation in trademarks, as outlined above.