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Details of the JPO/IPR Training Course for Practitioners Specializing in Patents

1. Duration:

August 22- September 7, 2016

[Application Deadline: **June 10, 2016**]

2. Objectives:

To enhance one's knowledge on intellectual property in general. To also deepen one's understanding and enhance one's professional capabilities in terms of patent practices such as acquiring knowledge on the outline of the patent system, preparing specifications and drawings, handling office actions, making amendments, judging patentability, considering patents for innovative technology, using patent information, and handling operations involving licensing. In addition, to participate in the Summer IP Seminar (Practitioner Training Course) provided by the Japan Association of Universities for Intellectual Property Education and Research (JAUIP).

3. Target Participants (applicants must meet all of the following requirements):

- (1) Target participants should be nominated by the Intellectual Property Office in their countries.
- (2) Target participants should be engaged in the field of IPR.
- (3) Target participants should be university graduates and/or have equivalent professional experience.
- (4) Target participants should be physically and mentally prepared to undergo an intensive training course.
- (5) Target participants should not be students or armed forces personnel.
- (6) Target participants should intend to continue working in the same field after completing the training course.
- (7) Target participants should not have participated in the JPO/IPR training courses during FY 2015, in principle.
- (8) Target participants should have adequate English language competence to attend lectures and discussions, as well as make reports.
- (9) Target participants should have considerable knowledge of the IPR system, with more than three years of experience in the field of IPR and have described specifications of patents.
- (10) Target participants should be between 27 and 50 years of age.
- (11) Target participants must be professionals working in one of the following positions:
 - 1) Patent attorneys and IP lawyers; OR
 - 2) Patent practitioners in private businesses.

***Persons working at Japanese enterprises are eligible for this program.**

* However, if applicants do not meet any requirements, any justifiable reason will be taken into consideration.

4. Language:

Lectures, visits and discussions will be carried out in English or in Japanese with interpreting into English. Course documents and training materials will be prepared in English.

5. Training Schedule: TBD