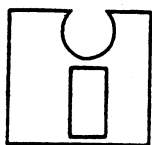


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PROGRAM

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Monday, March 16

10.00 Opening ceremony

Welcome Addresses by:

Mr. Lajos Nyiri, State Secretary, Acting President of the Hungarian Research and Development Committee

The Representative of the Director General of WIPO

Mr. Farag Moussa, President of IFIA

Dr. Miklós Bendzsel, President, Hungarian Patent Office

10.30 Break

11.00 **Quo Vadis Inventions in the Age of Information Technology?**

Prof. Antal K. Bejczy, Senior Research Scientist, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, California, United States of America

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/1A

12.30 Lunch break

14.30 **Patent Information in Support of Inventive and Innovative Activities:
General Introduction**

Presented by: Mr. Gordon Cummer, Chief Executive Officer,
Canadian Industrial Innovation Centre, Waterloo,
Canada

Mr. Vladimir Yossifov, Deputy Director, Division
of Human Resources Development and the WIPO
Worldwide Academy, WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

Reference documents: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/1 and
WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/2

Discussion

15.45 Break

Monday, March 16 (cont'd)

16.15 **How Inventors' Associations Can Help Their Members to Make Inventions In Response to Real Industry Needs?**

Presented by: Mr. Kari Sipilä, Managing Director, Foundation of Finnish Inventions, Espoo, Finland

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/3

Discussion

18.00 Reception hosted by WIPO

Tuesday, March 17

09.00 **Use of the State-of-the-Art Searches in Inventive and Innovative Activities**

Presented by: Mrs. Judit Hajdú, Head, Patent Department for Mechanics and Electricity, Hungarian Patent Office, Budapest, Hungary

Mrs. Zsuzsa Töröcsik, Head, Electronic Publishing Section, Hungarian Patent Office, Budapest, Hungary

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/4

Discussion

10.30 Break

11.00 **Inventors as Active Providers of Information**

Presented by: Mr. Mamadou Traoré, President, Ivoirian Association for the Promotion of Inventions and Innovations, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/5

13.00 Lunch break

Tuesday, March 17 (cont'd)

14.30 **Internet for Inventors**
Industrial Property Offices and Databases on the World Wide Web:
A Selection From the Most Important Information Resources

Presented by: Mrs. Agnes Vadasz, Information Counselor,
Hungarian Patent Office, Budapest, Hungary

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/6

15.30 **Commercializing Inventions: Recent Canadian Experience (Including Use**
of the World Wide Web)

Presented by: Mr. Gordon Cummer, Chief Executive Officer,
Canadian Industrial Innovation Centre, Waterloo,
Canada

Reference document: WIPO/IFIA/BUD/98/7

16.30 **Internet On-Line Discussion**

On the ways and means of using the Internet by inventors and
inventors' associations: with the direct participation of Internet users (on-
line) from some selected countries

Demonstration by the Hungarian Patent Office of modern information
technology tools (CD-ROM, Data-Base Searches, Internet)

Wednesday, March 18

09.00 **Round Table on the Use of Internet as Source of Information and Means of**
Communication in Inventive and Innovative Activities

Mr. Gordon Cummer, Mr. Farag Moussa, Mr. Kari Sipilä, Mr. Mamadou Traoré,
Mrs. Agnes Vadasz, Mr. Vladimir Yossifov

11.00 Break

11.30 Jubilee IFIA General Assembly

13.00 Lunch break

Wednesday, March 18 (cont'd)

- 14.30 Jubilee IFIA General Assembly (continued)
- 17.00 Break
- 19.00 At "Vigado" Concert Hall
Jubilee IFIA General Assembly
Celebration of IFIA's 30 years Jubilee
- 20.00 Gala Concert and Reception hosted by the Association of the Hungarian Inventors

Thursday, March 19

- 10.00 Closing session of the International Symposium

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