Regional Training for Patent Offices on Pharmaceutical Patent Examination
North Africa and Middle East

2-3 November 2022
Hotel Opera Plaza
Marrakesh, Morocco

Programme

2 November 2022		
Time	**Session**	**Facilitator**
8:30 – 9:00	Registration of participants	
9:00 – 9:30	Opening	Carlos Correa, South Centre Otthoman Mellouk - ITPC Global
9:30 – 10:00	Introduction of participants, Presentation of the programme	Viviana Munoz Téllez - South Centre
10:00 – 11:00	The WTO TRIPS flexibilities	Carlos Correa
11:00 – 11:20	Coffee break	
11:20 – 12:30	IP landscapes and their impact on access to medicines (Egypt, Tunisia, Morocco)	Gaëlle Krikorian - Expert
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	

13:30 – 14:30	EPO Validation Agreements Moldova, Georgia Morrocco	Anastasia Homeniuk - 100% Life Pauline Londeix - Expert
14:30 – 15:30	On-going policy and patent law reforms AcFTA and Covid-19 response The Ukranian experience	Viviana Munoz Téllez Anastasia Homeniuk
15:30 – 16:00	Coffee break	
16:00 – 17:00	Discussion with participants on on-going national policy or patent law reforms and sources of technical assistance	Moderated (pre-inform participants to prepare intervention)

3 November 2022		
9:00 – 9:30	The impact of patents on public health and the role of patent examiners	German Velasquez, South Centre
9:30 – 11:10	Examination of pharmaceutical patents: Typical claims relating to pharmaceutical inventions (1): Formulations and compositions; Combinations; Dosage/dose; Salts, ethers and esters; Polymorphs	Carlos Correa
11:10 – 11:30	Coffee break	
11:30 – 12:30	Typical claims relating to pharmaceutical inventions (2): Markush claims; Selection patents; Enantiomers; Active metabolites and pro-drugs; Methods of treatment; Use claims, including second medical indications	Carlos Correa
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	

14:00 – 15:30	Continued	
15:30 – 16:10	Discussion: Reflection on how to strengthen patent examination. Building capacities. South-South cooperation.	Moderated
16:10 – 16:30	Coffee break	
16:30 – 17:00	Evaluation and closing	