TRADITIONAL KNOWLEDGE, TRADITIONAL CULTURAL EXPRESSIONS AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION

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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

Day One, Tuesday, 19/12/2006:

Session 1 (morning):
Introduction – the international debate on traditional knowledge, traditional cultural expressions and intellectual property

Session 2 (morning):
Proposals for protection of traditional knowledge and traditional cultural expressions
Session 3 (afternoon):
Sociological and anthropological perspectives and the revival of customary law

Session 4 (afternoon):
Digitization of traditional knowledge

Day Two, Wednesday, 20/12/2006:

Session 5 (morning):
TK and TCE in Australia and New Zealand

Session 6 (afternoon):
TK and TCE in various Asian jurisdictions

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