

## **STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE BEFORE THE EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE – WORKING PARTY ON QUALITY**

6<sup>th</sup> meeting

Online, Tuesday 20 April and Wednesday 21 April 2021

Subject: Provisional agenda  
Drawn up by: European Patent Office  
Addressees: Members of SACEPO Working Party on Quality

### **Provisional agenda**

(Chair: Steve Rowan / Niclas Morey)

<b>Session 1</b> <b>WP/Q Europe/Neighbouring countries</b> <b>20 April 2021</b> <b>from 09:30 to 12:30 CEST*</b>	<b>Session 2</b> <b>WP/Q Africa/Middle-East</b> <b>20 April 2021</b> <b>from 14:00 to 16:30 CEST</b>
<b>Session 3</b> <b>WP/Q Asia/Oceania</b> <b>21 April 2021</b> <b>from 08:30 to 11:30 CEST</b>	<b>Session 4</b> <b>WP/Q Americas</b> <b>21 April 2021</b> <b>from 16:00 to 19:00 CEST</b>

\* CEST = Central European Summer Time. An overview of the corresponding schedule in other time zones will be made available in advance of the meeting by the SACEPO Secretariat.

1. **Welcome address by the President**
2. **Adoption of the agenda and meeting outline (SACEPO WPQ 1/21)**
3. **Presentation of SACEPO Working Party on Quality (SACEPO WPQ 2/21)**
4. **Workplan 2021 and outlook towards 2023 (SACEPO WPQ 3/21)**
5. **EPO outreach and cooperation activities (SACEPO 4/21)**
6. **Status on coping under Covid-19 – actions by the EPO (SACEPO WPQ 5/21)**
7. **Recent developments at the EPO (SACEPO WPQ 6/21)**
8. **Highlights of SP2023**
  - 8a. **Quality, Simply Delivered on Time programme (SACEPO WPQ 7/21)**
  - 8b. **Improving the quality of incoming applications (SACEPO WPQ 8/21)**
  - 8c. **Creating a common definition of Quality (SACEPO WPQ 9/21)**
  - 8d. **EPO internal quality audit - New enhanced search audit (SACEPO WPQ 10/21)**
9. **Any other business and closure of the meeting**

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