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The International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has the pleasure to announce the Launch of the WIPO Patent Landscape Report on COVID-19 Vaccines and Therapeutics – *Preliminary insights on related patenting activity during the pandemic*, in the framework of WIPO's COVID-19 related services and support package for Member States.

./. The Launch event will be held on March 10, 2022, from 14.00 to 16.00 (Geneva local time). A provisional program is attached.

The Report provides preliminary insights into the patenting activity related to COVID-19 vaccines and therapeutics in the period from January 2020 to September 2021. A further update is expected later this year to complete the available data. .

The Event will include a presentation of key findings of the Report and a discussion panel of leading experts will address the different technologies involved in vaccine platforms and therapeutics, collaborations in R&D and observations on the effectiveness and contribution of the patent system to the pandemic response..

Participants may register for an online attendance at https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=69288.

This invitation may kindly be disseminated among interested members of your teams and to relevant national authorities and other stakeholders.

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