



Launch of the Global Innovation Index 2021

Monday, September 20, 2021 (13:30 – 15:30 CEST)

High-level Opening (13:30 – 14:00)

- Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- Special address by H.E. Mr. José Ulisses de Pina Correia e Silva, Prime Minister, Cabo Verde
- Special address by H.E. Mr. Iván Duque Márquez, President, Republic of Colombia

Presentation of the 2021 GII Results (14:00 – 14:15)

- WIPO Secretariat

Panel on “Innovation throughout and post-COVID-19” (14:15 – 15:00)

Chair: Mr. Daren Tang, Director General, WIPO

- H.E. Ms. Stina Billinger, State Secretary, Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, Sweden
- Ms. Stacey MacGrath Gifford, Master Inventor, Manager of Materials Discovery, IBM Research, United States of America (U.S.)
- Mr. Philippe Dewost, President, Phileos, Advisor for Corporates, Start-ups, and VC funds, Co-founder of Wanadoo, and “La French Tech” Godfather, France

Panel “(Re)-Designing Innovation Policies and Business Strategies” (15:00 – 15:30)

Chair: Mr. Soumitra Dutta, Co-Editor GII, Professor, Cornell University and Portulans Institute

- Mr. Michael Miebach, Chief Executive Officer, Mastercard, and Advisory Board, GII, U.S.
- Mr. Chandrajit Banerjee, Director General, Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), India
- Ms. Gianna Sagazio, Innovation Director, Brazilian National Confederation of Industry (CNI), Brazil
- Mr. İsmail Gülle, Chairman, Turkish Exporters Assembly (TIM), Turkey

Closing remarks

- Mr. Marco M. Alemán, Assistant Director General, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, WIPO

Ministerial statements

- *H.E. Mr. Piyush Goyal, Minister of Commerce and Industry, India*
- *H.E. Mr. Sung Wook Moon, Minister of Trade, Industry and Energy, Republic of Korea*
- *H.E. Mr. Mustafa Varank, Minister of Industry and Technology, Turkey*
- *H.E. Ms. Karin Keller-Sutter, Federal Councillor, Head, Federal Department of Justice and Police, Switzerland*
- *H.E. Mr. Abdulla Bin Touq Al Marri, Minister of Economy, United Arab Emirates*