



Royal University of Phnom Penh



The Graduate School of Science's

8th monthly Seminar

entitled "*The Use of Patents for Technological Capacity Building and Development*".



Date: **29**

December 2020

Time: 3:00 PM-4:00 PM

How? Online using **Zoom**
(The talk will be in English)

Who should attend?

Researchers, faculty members, graduate students, and government officials who are interested in **intellectual property** should attend. To attend, RUPPer or non-RUPPer can access the Google Form via the URL below for **FREE** registration **before 26 Dec. 2020**. URL: <https://bit.ly/37URFqr>

Speaker: Ms. Alexandra Bhattacharya, Program Officer, WIPO, a **United Nations** Specialized Agency based in **Geneva, Switzerland**.

Moderator: Dr. Chan Oeurn Chey

Talk Summary: The talk will focus on how patents can facilitate the achievement of development objectives particularly in innovation and technological capacity building **particularly in Least Developed Countries (LDCs)**.

Short Bio.: Alexandra Bhattacharya is a Program Officer in the Division for Least Developed Countries in the World Intellectual Property Organization (**WIPO**), a United Nations Specialized Agency based in Geneva, Switzerland.

Alexandra's professional expertise lies in the area of intellectual property (IP) and development with a specific focus on Least Developed Countries (LDCs). Prior to joining WIPO in 2014, she obtained professional experience in the area of IP in a number of Geneva-based international organizations. She participated in the WTO's Accessions Internship Programme and undertook an internship in the Development, Innovation and Intellectual Property Programme of the South Center. She has also worked as a researcher in the non-governmental organization, Third World Network (TWN), where she obtained appreciation of IP issues in the international fora.

She has an LL.M degree from the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) and an LL.B degree from the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). She is a Doctoral Candidate in the World Trade Institute, University of Berne, specializing in Intellectual Property Law.

Title: The use of patents for technological capacity building and development

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Summary: The talk will focus on how patents can facilitate the achievement of development objectives particularly in innovation and technological capacity building. In particular, it will discuss the benefits of patents as tools to incentivize innovation in research institutions and to also promote collaborative endeavors with the private sector. It will also discuss how patent information through the requirement of disclosure results in a “treasure trove of technological knowledge”.

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