

MEETING AGENDA

29th ABU INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND LEGAL COMMITTEE NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN MEDIA LAW AND IMPACT ON BROADCASTERS

29th May, 2023 (Colombo, Sri Lanka) / Venue: Stein Studios, Rathmalana

0745	BUS DEPARTS FROM KINGSBURY HOTEL TO MEETING VENUE (STEIN STUDIOS)¹
0830-0900	REGISTRATION
0900-0945	<p>Opening Ceremony by Lighting of Traditional Lamp</p> <p>Welcome Remarks: Mr Sashi Rajamahendran, Chairman / Managing Director, Capital Maharaja Group</p> <p>Remarks by ABU Secretary-General Mr Ahmed Nadeem</p>
0945-1045	<p>Introduction to Guest Speaker: Mr Sunil Kanojia, Group Director/CEO – Capital Maharaja Group</p> <p>Guest Speaker: Ms Geethanjalee Ranawaka, Director General NIPO SL</p> <p>Vote of Thanks to Guest Speaker: Mr Chevaan Daniel, Group Director - MTV Channel (Pvt) Limited</p> <p>Conclusion of the Welcome Ceremony Ms Seemantani Sharma</p> <p><i>Photo Session</i></p>
1045-1115	COFFEE BREAK ²
1115-1130	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmation of Agenda and Chairperson's Report • Confirmation of Previous Meeting Minutes
1130-1200	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tribute to Ms. Carole Croella [Deceased] • Reporting on SCCR Developments by ABU IPLC Chairperson • Plan Of Action For SCCR/44
1200-1230	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by WIPO On Revised Text for WIPO Broadcasting Organizations Treaty (SCCR 42/3) • Explanation on Second Revised Draft Text for The WIPO Broadcasting Treaty (SCCR 43/3) • Next Steps
1230-1400	<p>LUNCH</p> <p>[COMMENCEMENT OF CLOSED MEETING FOR ABU MEMBERS ONLY]³</p>

¹ The bus will depart at sharp 7.45 A.M. from Hotel Kingsbury for Stein Studios. It is the responsibility of the participants to reach the meeting venue if they miss the bus. Address of Stein Studios is # 20, 2nd Cross Street, Borupana Rd, Ratmalana.

² All dignitaries attending the welcome ceremony can leave the meeting venue if they want to after the coffee break.

³ The second half of the session is a closed session meant for ABU members only. Observers are kindly requested to leave the session after lunch. These non-members will be escorted to **AF Jones; 110-year-old Tea Company within Capital Maharaja Group**. After a tea tasting session, they will be taken to Kingsbury Hotel to join others for the Welcome Dinner at 7.30 PM (Colombo Time).

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1400-1415	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion to Change IPLC's Name to Legal & Policy Affairs Committee • Motion to Change IPLC Awards to ABU Law Awards / ABU Legal Awards / ABU Legal & Policy Awards
1415-1430	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on Plan of Action For IPLC (virtual / physical / hybrid meeting)
1430-1500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members Forum [Legal challenges faced by ABU Members in their daily work] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chamanthi Devika Wijayasekara, ITN (Sri Lanka) - Baber Ali, Virtual University Television Network (Pakistan) - Esra Mansour Assery, GCAM (Saudi Arabia)
1500-1530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IPLC Awards Nominees and Announcements (Prizes will be given at the Welcome Dinner later in the evening).
1530-1600	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Election of the Chair & Two Vice-Chairs
1600-1615	CLOSING REMARKS BY MR. SURANGA JAYALATH
1615-1645	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Master Class on Copyright & Contracts (<i>Optional</i>)⁴
1645-1700	HOUSE KEEPING ANNOUNCEMENTS BY ABU SECRETARIAT
1700	BUS DEPARTS FROM STEIN STUDIOS TO KINGSBURY HOTEL
1930	WELCOME DINNER FOR FOREIGN DELEGATES AT KINGSBURY HOTEL – THE VICTORIAN ⁵

⁴ It is optional for participants to attend the Master Class. If you do not wish to attend the master class, you may simply sit and wait for the session to attend. All participants will depart the meeting venue to Hotel Kingsbury together in order to avoid any inconvenience to the host.

⁵ Participants are requested to follow the seating arrangement provided at the dinner venue. There are three meal preferences for the formal dinner – fish, chicken, and vegetarian. If you have not informed the ABU Secretariat about your meal preference, please let Ms. Nazira Omarova know by 22nd May 2023 by sending an email at nazira@abu.org.my and cc: seemantani@abu.org.my and ravi@cmg.lk.