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World Intellectual Property (IP) World Day 2018

World IP Day is celebrated every year, and the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) decides on the theme for each year. The theme for this year (2018) is “Powering Change: Women in Innovation and Creativity” as the celebration of the women who are driving change in our world and shaping our common future.

Within the spirit of celebrating the World Intellectual Property (IP) Day, the University of Pretoria’s Department of Research & Innovation (DRI) and the Centre for IP Law in association with Adams & Adams would like to invite you to the World IP Day Celebration which will be taking place on the 25th April 2018.

The details of the event are as follows:

Date: 25th April 2018
Time: 10:30-12:30
Venue: Auditorium, Level 3, Merensky 2 Library, Hatfield Campus, University Pretoria
RSVP: by 20 April 2018 at <https://goo.gl/forms/kxfSTEwnQGomXzDB2> for more information please contact mashudu.nxumalo@up.ac.za

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Speakers



Ms Janice Galvad has been a partner at Adams & Adams since 2004. She is a qualified patent attorney and holds a Masters Degree in Commercial Law. She heads up the Patents Overseas Filing Section of Adams & Adams in Pretoria, South Africa, a position she has held since 2006. She is the client relations partner for a number of high profile, international clients, instructing patent and design filings in South Africa. Under her leadership, the section has embarked on electronic patent filings and electronic file management.



Dr Charleen Rupnarain is an associate in the Patents Department at Adams & Adams. She holds a PhD in Cancer Genetics and an LLB degree. Charleen is an admitted attorney of the South African High Court and a qualified Patent Attorney. Charleen specialises in Biotechnology and Life Science-related patent matters. She has a solid background in Intellectual Property Management in the public funding sector. In prosecution, her key South African Clients include the University of Pretoria, the CSIR and the University of KwaZulu-Natal. As a notable achievement, Charleen has prosecuted the impressive patent portfolio of four patent families of an esteemed team of researchers from the University of Pretoria, wherein the portfolio is directed at Tuberculosis diagnostics.



Professor Riëtte de Kock is an associate professor of Food Science at the University of Pretoria. Her research focuses on the optimisation of the sensory properties of food beverages that contribute to the nutritional status and wellbeing of consumers in Sub-Saharan Africa. She has compiled numerous contract research reports and food industry and is a co-author of 23 scientific papers in international journals. She was honoured at the Women in Science Awards 2017 with the title of Distinguished Woman Researcher: Research & Innovation.



Professor Namrita Lall is a Professor and Research Chair of Medicinal Plant Science at the University of Pretoria. The unifying research interests of Prof Lall include antituberculosis natural product leads from medicinal plants, cytotoxicity of plant extracts, anticancer activity of medicinal plants, and antityrosinase (skin pigmentation, skin lightening) activity of plants. She is ranked in the top 1% of the global Essential Science Indicators list of influential academics who write about pharmacology and toxicology. She has obtained several international patents, including 1 US patent, 6 PCT-patents, 4 South African patents, and she has co-authored more than 125 research articles in peer-reviewed journals and 18 book chapters. About 12 pharmaceutical and cosmeceutical products which have resulted from her research programme are close to commercialisation. Some of the awards she's received include Women in Science Awards 2011 for Distinguished Woman Researcher, The Order of Mapungubwe which is South Africa's highest honour, the United Kingdom Royal Society/National Research Foundation award. She was bestowed with second prize at the Gauteng Accelerator Programme (GAP).

Programme for IP World Day Celebration

Powering Change: Women in Innovation and Creativity

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

Auditorium, Level 3, Merensky 2 Library, Hatfield Campus, University Pretoria

10:30-12:30

Time	Item	Speaker
10:30 -10:40	Welcome & Introduction	Dr Nthabiseng Taole (Director: Department of Research & Innovation)
10:40-10:50	Address by NIPMO	Ms Mantwa Kgarume (Deputy Director: Fund Management National Intellectual Property Office)
10:50-11:20	Presentation on IP (Patents, Copyright, Trademark, Know-how)	Ms Janice Galvad (Partner, Adams & Adams) Dr Charleen Rupnarain (Associate: Adams & Adams)
11:20-11:35	From research to commercialization: Sorghum based snacks	Prof Riëtte van De Kock (Associate Professor: Department of Food Sciences)
11:35-11:50	From medicinal plants to cosmeceutical	Prof Namrita Lall (Professor: Department of Plant & Soil Sciences)
11:50-12:00	Closure	Ms Refilwe Ngoato (Technology Transfer Manager: Department of Research & Innovation)

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