

SACEPO Working Party on Quality

Provisional agenda (SACEPO WPQ 5/26)

17th meeting
24 November 2026
Online via MS Teams
Commencing at 12.30 hrs CET

Subject: Provisional agenda

Drawn up by: European Patent Office

Addressees: Members of the SACEPO Working Party on Quality

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| 1. | Opening of meeting and adoption of the agenda | SACEPO WPQ 5/26 |
| 2. | Welcome address | |
| 3. | Quality Action Plan 2026 – update on implementation and results | SACEPO WPQ 6/26 |
| 4. | The validation system and its impact on the patent landscape | SACEPO WPQ 7/26 |
| 5. | WIPO Treaty of 2024 on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge: an EPO perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Databases: the EPO's non-patent literature (NPL) roadmap▪ Preliminary assessment of the disclosure requirement and its implementation at the EPO | SACEPO WPQ 8/26 |
| 6. | Findings of the 2026 Stakeholder Quality Assurance Panels (SQAPs) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ search reports and written opinions▪ grants▪ oppositions | |
| 7. | SQAPs – feedback on 2026 and suggestions for improvement for 2027 | |
| 8. | Any further topics requested by members | |
| 9. | Wrap-up and closing remarks | |

After each agenda item there will be time for questions and suggestions from members and discussion with EPO representatives, as well as reports on actions taken where applicable.

The meeting is expected to end at around 16.30 hrs CET.