

Canada intervention on Agenda item 15 - Report on SCP

Canada notes the positive tone and constructive atmosphere of recent sessions of the SCP, and our interest in continued cross-regional engagement on the range of patent issues discussed in the Committee.

In this regard, I make note of Canada's proposal on a review of literature on patents and health (SCP/28/9), and express Canada's interest that it be given favourable consideration by Member States at the next SCP session.

In our view, this proposal will serve as an important step in ensuring that discussions on patents and access to medical products and health technologies are grounded in a foundation of high-quality research.