

Intellectual Property Questionnaire 2009

1.	Name the official body for Intellectual Property in your jurisdiction and its official web site.	<p>Name: Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO)</p> <p>Web Site: www.kipo.go.kr (Available in English language)</p>
2.	Give a short description on the types of intellectual property rights which are registrable in your jurisdiction and the validity period.	<p>Trade Mark -A trade mark registration is valid for ten years from the date of application and may be renewed every ten years.</p> <p>Patent - A patent registration may be renewed every year (the first three years when the patent is registered) for a maximum of 20 years only.</p> <p>Industrial Design -An industrial design registration may be renewed every year (the first three years when the patent is registered) for a maximum of 15 years only.</p> <p>Protection of computer program -protection as copyright by registering computer program code</p>
3.	<p>State the availability of the facilities on the official web site and a short description for the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Online filing b) Online search c) E-gazette d) Forms e) Application status f) Relevant Acts, Rules & Regulations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Online filing -available for patent, design and trade mark filing - payment of fees b) Online search -available for all types of intellectual property searches c) E-gazette -available for all gazettes published d) Forms - all the relevant forms are available for free download in pdf and word format (and HWP format) e) Application Status -available for free and public viewing. f) Relevant Acts, Rules & Regulations - available for download in pdf format

4.	State the names of authorities in charge of the enforcement of intellectual property rights in your jurisdiction.	1) the Public Prosecutor's Office , the National Police Agency, Korean Intellectual Property Office Fair Trade Commission, Korea Consumer Agency
5.	State the names of treaties/conventions/agreements related to Intellectual Property which your country is a member of.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -WIPO Convention -Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property -Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works - Patent Cooperation Treaty - Nice Agreement Concerning the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks - Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure - Madrid Agreement for the Repression of False and Deceptive Indications of Source on Goods - Madrid Protocol - Hague Agreement - Lisbon Agreement (Lisbon Agreement for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration) - Locarno Agreement – Establishing an International Classification for Designs - Strasbourg Agreement-concerning the International Patent Classification - Nairobi Treaty on the Protection of the Olympic - Vienna Agreement - International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) convention -Trademark Law Treaty (TLT)
6.	State the names of organizations related to Intellectual Property which your firm is a member of.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -International Trademark Association (INTA) -Korean Patent Attorney Association (KPAA)
7.	State the name(s) of the person(s) in charge of Intellectual Property work in your firm.	<p>Wan-Sub Lee (wslee@sojong.com) Geo-Yeon Hwang (gyhwang@sojong.com) Ik-Soo Jeon (isj@sojong.com)</p>