WHO INTERGOVERNMENTAL WORKING GROUP (IGWG) ON PUBLIC HEALTH, INNOVATION AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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Background



- From Doha to the CIPIH
- WHA 56.27: The CIPIH
- WHA 59.24: est. IGWG
- IGWG I
- IGWG II



Pre-IGWG debate.....



- 2001: WTO Ministerial Doha declaration on TRIPS and public health *"… TRIPS …does not and should not prevent… measures to protect public health…"*
- 2002: WHA 55.14: "...reaffirm their commitments to increasing access...."
- 2003: WHA 56.27: agreement to set up a timelimited body to consider the relationship between intellectual property rights, innovation and public health. The text giving rise to the Commission on intellectual property rights, innovation and public health.

The Commission on Intellectual Property rights, Innovation and Public Health (CIPIH)

- Mandate: "... collect data and proposals.. And produce analysis of IPRs, innovation and public health including... appropriate funding and incentive mechanisms for the creation of new medicines and other products against diseases that disproportionately affect developing countries..."
- TORs:
 - Inter alia:
 - "summarize the existing evidence on the prevalence of diseases... with an emphasis on those that... affect poor people...
 - Review.. Existing research, development and innovation efforts directed at these diseases
 - Consider effectiveness of IP regimes and other incentive and funding mechanisms

• Produce concrete proposals for action..."

• Est. in Feb. 2004 and completed its work in early 2006.

CIPIH Report:

6 Chapters: (from the innovation Cycle sustainable plan to promote innovation and access
Over 60 recommendations
204 pages



Post CIPIH report: WHA 59.24

- Implementation:
 - " ... establish an intergovernmental working group (IGWG)... to draw up a global strategy and plan of action in order to provide a medium- term framework based on the recommendations of the Commission..."
- Aims of the strategy and plan of action:
 - Securing an enhanced and sustainable basis for needs-driven, essential health R&D relevant to diseases that disproportionately affect developing countries, proposing clear objectives and priorities for R&D, and estimating funding needs in this area.
- Reporting to 60th WHA on progress.

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