Programme

Time	Title	Speaker
9.30	Welcome Address	H.E. Rev. Makhenkesi Stofile, Ambassador of the Republic of South Africa
9.45	Natural Compounds – Business Potentials	Dr. Guy Carter, former Director Wyeth Natural Products Division, USA
	Strategic Value of the Bioeconomy for Emerging Countries	Glaudina Loots, Director Health Innovation, Department of Science and technology, ZA
	Access and Benefit-sharing – Understanding the International Legal Framework	Thomas Greiber, Research Associate Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies e.V, GER
11:00 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30	Patents: Milestone Patent Cases in the Field of Natural Compounds	Dr. Jürgen Meier, Partner Vossius & Partner, GER
	US IP Protection of Natural Products: How Now?	Dr. Michele Wales, Founder and Principal, InHouse Patent Counsel LLC, USA
	Nagoya, Natural Products and Patenting: The International IP Issues	Wend Wendland, Director, Traditional Knowledge Division, World Intellectual Property Organisation
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch	
14:00	Implementation of the Nagoya Protocol in Europe – Challenge or Business Opportunity	Elise Melon, Manager Intellectual Property & Trade, EFPIA, BE
	From Traditional Medicine to Modern Drug Discovery	Dr. Christian Haug, Managing Director Bicoll GmbH, GER
	Research: From Collection to Business Case	Thomas Vanagt, Founder and Director eCoast Marine Research, BE

15:15 - Coffee Break

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15:45	Natural Products Research: African Medicinal Plants with Anti-Diabetic Potential	Dr. Shahidul Islam, Senior Lecturer of Biochemistry, University of KwaZulu- Natal, ZA
	Natural Products and Antibiotics – Research Alliances	Prof. Dr. Jochen Maas, Managing Director, Sanofi-Aventis Deutschland GmbH, GER
	Natural Compounds 2.0 – opportunities and legal aspects	Neil Goldsmith, CEO Evolva AG, CH
17:00	Discussion/Wrap up	
17:15	Reception and Networking	