



OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

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MR. BENOÎT BATTISTELLI

President
European Patent Office

I am writing you with respect to the *Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Pilot Program between the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI) of the United Mexican States and the European Patent Office (EPO)*, signed on 22 September 2014, in Geneva, Switzerland, effective from 6 January 2015 until 5 January 2018.

Due to the above, considering the cooperation activities that have been generated for both Offices and taking into account the benefits that the *MoU PPH Pilot Program* will continue bringing, this Institute hereby expresses its interest in extending the validity of such instrument, in accordance with its point number 2, until 5 January 2020.

I have the honor to propose that this letter and your letter of confirmation in reply will be deemed to renew and form an integral part of the *MoU PPH Pilot Program*, as from 5 January 2018 until 5 January 2020. Save as specified herein, the other provisions of the *MoU PPH Pilot Program* will remain in effect.

Sincerely,



Miguel Ángel Margáin
DIRECTOR GENERAL