

## **Summary of Side Event**

### **INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND BIODIVERSITY IN THE IGC: IDENTIFYING LINKS BETWEEN THE CBD AND WIPO**

World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) updated the participants on the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (IGC) process (namely the renewed mandate of the IGC and the decisions of the last session regarding GRs and TK).

Following the presentation made by Mrs. Begoña Venero, WIPO, the panelists had a discussion. The panelists included: Ms. Asha Sukhwani, Spanish Office for Patents and Trademarks; Mr. Preston Hardison, Tulalip Tribes; Mr. Geoff Burton, UNU; and Mr. John Scott, CBD. The session was moderated by Mrs. Begoña Venero.