



## SPECIAL NOTE

Dear Trademark Representatives,

As the holiday season approaches, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the meaningful collaboration we have shared over the years. Working alongside you to raise awareness about intellectual property and its importance has been a rewarding journey and I value your dedication to advancing this cause.

Together, we have highlighted the importance of IP rights and encouraged businesses to safeguard their brands by registering trademarks with BIP SXM. Your contributions have been vital in strengthening intellectual property protection in Sint Maarten and across the region. By empowering businesses and individuals to secure their IP, we are fostering innovation, growth, and success in an ever-evolving marketplace.

Looking ahead to 2025, I am excited about the opportunities to expand our impact. Together, we can continue raising awareness, engaging new stakeholders, and ensuring more businesses and individuals recognize the value of trademark registration and IP protection.

This Christmas, I hope you enjoy well-deserved rest and time with your loved ones. May the holiday season bring you peace, joy, and cherished memories, and may the new year be filled with health, success, and prosperity.

Thank you for being an integral part of our shared CIPA (communication & IP awareness) mission. I look forward to continuing our work together in 2025.

Warmest regards,

Vincentia Rosen-Sandiford Director Bureau for Intellectual Property Sint Maarten



The Bureau for Intellectual Property Sint Maarten (the Bureau) is an independent governing body and public service provider in the field of Intellectual Property, incorporated by law on October 1st, 2015. The services of the Bureau are aimed at securing IP rights for individuals, entrepreneurs and (larger) companies that are established nationally, regionally, and internationally, doing business, or creating and selling (artistic) works in or from Sint Maarten.

The Bureau maintains a neutral position towards the public. One of its main tasks is to provide information on all procedural aspects relating to intellectual property rights on Sint Maarten, namely trademarks, copyrights and patents. Given the fact that the Bureau is neutral and objective in its service to all entrepreneurs, individual (legal) advice is prohibited.

Mrs. Vincentia Rosen-Sandiford is the Director of the Bureau since its inception. During her professional career she has worked in both the private and public sector. Besides her talent for business and change management, she is passionate about increasing IP awareness in and for Sint Maarten.











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i IP Even	ts Calendar	<ul><li>Location</li></ul>	₩ Website
01/01/25 31/01/25	WIPO various workshops & webinars	Virtual	WWW.Wipo.int  Note: kindly select the month of January to view all workshops and seminars scheduled.
22/01/25	INTA: AI Creations and Copyright: Global Insights for Trademark Administrators	Virtual	<u>www.inta.org</u>
24/01/25	INTA: 2025 Young Practitioners Roundtable: Mediation in IP: A Hands-on Experience	Virtual	<u>www.inta.org</u>
28/01/25	INTA: Annual Case Law Review	In-person, (Minneapolis, MN)	<u>www.inta.org</u>
28/01/25	INTA: 2025 Policy Dialogue: Securing the Future: IP and the Defense Industry	In-person, (Neuilly-sur- Seine, France)	<u>www.inta.org</u>
01/02/25 28/02/25	WIPO various workshops & webinars	Virtual	WWW.Wipo.int  Note: kindly select the month of February to view all workshops and seminars scheduled.
13/02/25	INTA: 2025 INTA Policy dialogue on the EU Design Reform	In-person, (Brussels, Belgium)	www.inta.org
01/03/25 31/03/25	•	Virtual	WWW.Wipo.int  Note: kindly select the month of March to view all workshops and seminars scheduled.
19/03/25 20/03/25		Location: In-person, (New York, USA)	<u>www.inta.org</u>

<sup>\*</sup> This list is not exhaustive.