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“3D Printed Tissues and Organs”

FICPI, the International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys, broadly representative of the free profession throughout the world, assembled at its Executive Committee held in Turin, Italy, 31 March to 4 April 2019, passed the following Resolution:

Noting that improvements in 3D printing technology have led to the possibility of producing artificial tissues and organs by using living cells,

Recognising that the 3D printing of such tissues and organs leads to significant advantages, including providing a solution to the limited number of donated tissues and organs available for transplantation, and avoiding having to transport such tissues and organs,

Firmly believing that 3D printed tissues and organs are in fact creations of human innovation,

Emphasising that 3D printed tissues and organs do not exist in nature,

Urges legislators and patent offices to consider 3D printed tissues and organs as being eligible for patent protection.