

**WIPO-WEF INVENTORS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
PHILIPPINE CRITERIA**

| CRITERION | REQUIREMENTS |
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| Invention Eligibility Criteria | <p>The application must meet the following criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The invention does not fall under the enumerations of non-patentable subject matter under Section 22 of the Intellectual Property Code of the Philippines, as amended by Republic Act No. 9502; b) Commercial Potential <p>No prior art (arrangement that the applicant has to commercialize the technology subject of the application is a plus factor in the evaluation of an application for IAP)</p> |
| Applicant Eligibility Criteria * Under-resourced | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Any natural person who is earning P500,000.00 or less per annum b) Duly registered entity such as micro, small, start-up, spin-off companies with total assets LESS THAN P15,000,000.00 (Republic Act No. 9501) |

Note: It is understandable that the pro-bono lawyers would not want to extend assistance to firms that can easily pay for the cost of patenting in other countries