LES Americas Committee
"Differences Between and Impact of Compulsory Licenses, Voluntary Licenses, and Waivers"

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Mariana Gonzalez-Vargas is a chemist and attorney graduated with honors. Mariana also holds a master’s degree in business management and is a Certified Licensing Professional®. She has past experience in research, including a research stay at Ohio State University in the field of characterization of DNA bases by ultra-fast laser spectroscopy. Mariana has focused her practice in the areas of substantive issues of patent litigation, technology transfer, sanitary regulation (linkage system) and strategic knowledge management. She has taught several courses at universities and professional associations. She is a frequent participant in local and international IP forums and regularly publishes articles in different IP specialized media. Currently she is Secretary of the Mexican Chapter of Licensing Executives Society International (LESI) and Vice-Chair of the LES Americas Committee, Latin America liaison of the Women in IP Committee of the American Intellectual Property Law Association (AIPLA), member of the Patent Committee and Pro Bono Commission of the Mexican Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AMPPI), and member to the Standing Committees on Commercialization of IP and Biotechnology of the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI).

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