# ori**GI**n

### **Global alliance of Gls**



## oriGIn: Unique & United !

- oriGIn: worldwide alliance of GIs
- Established in 2003 as a non-for profit organisation
- Some 400 members from 40 countries (different sectors)
- Secretariat based in Geneva
- Presidency: Ms Fatima AMHERI, President AMIGHA
- VPs in each continent

## oriGIn goals

- Strengthen the protection of GIs at the national, regional and international level
- Promote GIs as a tool for sustainable development
- Facilitate exchange of "best practices" among GI producers and specialists

## **Some Members**











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## oriGIn Activities

- Active participation in international fora and advocacy campaigns (WIPO, WTO, ICANN, USPTO, EUIPO, FTA, etc.)
- Manuals, periodical reports & studies for members
- Raising awarness on GI infringements
- Acting as a common platform for GI producers to Exchange best practices and establish partnerships

## An example on How we operate

## Challenge: Complexity in a fast-changing world:

- Proliferation of fora and negotiations (WTO, WIPO, ACTA, TTIP, ICANN, bilateral and regional agreements, etc.)
- Evolution of laws and regulations
- Growing phenomenon of imitation: need to monitor markets

oriGIn's Response:

- Active participation in international negotiations (WIPO, ACTA, WTO, bilateral negotiations, etc.) and advocacy
- Periodical reports and studies for members
- Monitoring GI abuses in foreign markets and lobby @ national authorities

## GI protection, Enforcement & oriGln Action

## Enforcement (i): Trade negotiations impacting on GIs

#### EU-US TRADE AGREEMENT | TTIP JOBS & GROWTH?

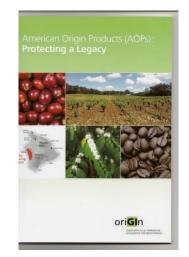


#### Transatlantic Trade Investment Partnership (TTIP)

## Enforcement (ii): Manuals & Studies



 oriGIn's Manual on how to protect GIs in the gTLDs





- oriGIn's Manual on How to protect GIs in the BRICs
- oriGIn's Manual on how to protect GIs in the USA

## Enforcement (iii): The Worldwide GI Compilation

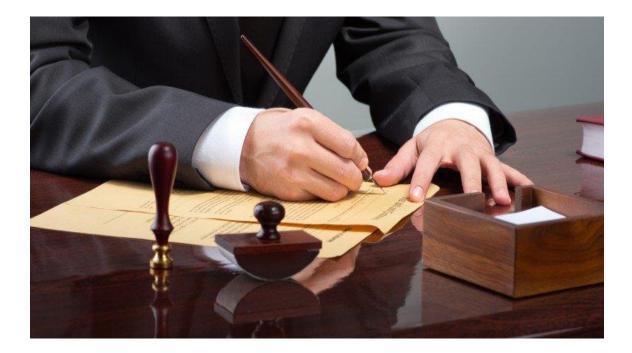
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## Enforcement (iv): GI protection in gTLDs



#### oriGIn panel discussion on GIs & gTLDs at the WIPO

## **Enforcement (v): GI Law Firms Initiative**



## Enforcement (iv) Support to members

#### Letter of support to the PGI "Café de Colombia"





## Thank you for your attention !

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