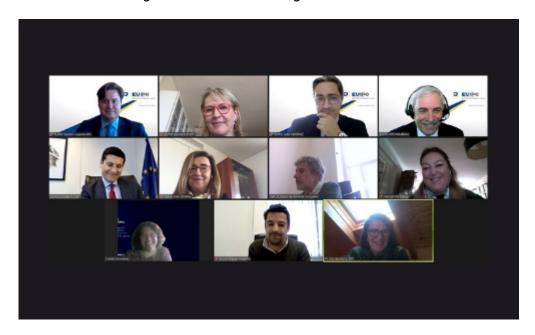
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The Executive Director of the EUIPO, Christian Archambeau, held a virtual meeting with the President of the Directive Council of the <u>Portuguese</u> <u>Institute of Industrial Propriety</u> (INPI), Ana Bandeira.

During the meeting, discussions focused on the success of the **cooperation** activities between the EUIPO and the Portuguese office, within the scope of the <u>European Union Intellectual Property Office</u> (EUIPN). The virtual meeting also provided an opportunity to exchange views and to discuss about the future cooperation initiatives of both offices.

The initial results of the recently launched <u>SME Fund</u> and the **implementation** of the <u>SME programme</u> under the EUIPO's Strategic Plan 2025 were also part of the agenda topics.

The Deputy Executive Director of the EUIPO, Andrea Di Carlo, the Head of Cabinet, Ursula Schildt, the Director of International Cooperation and Legal Affairs, João Negrão, and the Deputy Director of the International Cooperation Area, Sandris Laganovskis, also attended the meeting.

The exchange also addressed the needs of INPI in the context of the current <u>Portuguese presidency of the Council of the EU</u>, which will run until 30 June 2021.