



FICPI International Recent Activities

FICPI Australia

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ExCo







+ Advisory Council





FICPI Commissions

-  CET –Work and Study >250 members
-  Admissions
-  Communications
-  Contact
-  Deontology
-  Membership
-  PEC
-  Statutes
-  Tec
-  FAB




CET Activities

-  Attend meetings of external bodies/offices
-  Conduct studies and prepare information papers, position papers, resolutions
-  Organize and run ExCo workshops
-  Contribute to the preparation of the working programme for annual fora and other FICPI events






Examples

-  Study and when appropriate support IP law harmonization
-  Advise on the risks of a DIY approach which is a current trend
-  Support user-friendliness (ex. Restoration at OHIM)
-  Advocate for Client-Attorney Privilege and right of representation before UPC


CET goals

-  Do work that allows FICPI to advocate for better IP Laws
-  Study all sides to of a question so as to present a balanced view on IP Law/practice to authorities
-  Defend the interests of users and the interests of the profession






A summary of past 3 year term

-  22 Resolutions
-  Approx 60 submissions
-  15 ExCo Workshops
-  80 official meetings attended
-  15 CET meetings

Challenges

-  Time for preparing submissions shorter and shorter
-  Calls for submissions oriented to end-users (online surveys)
-  Issues more and more complex

Resolutions Cape Town

-  Follow On Patents in the Pharmaceutical Area-
-  Information Disclosure Requirements
-  Office Cooperation and User Input
-  Unitary Patent SPCs
-  Patent figures in colour

Official Visits

-  USPTO-Washington
-  JPO- Tokyo
-  KIPO-Seoul
-  SIPO– Beijing
-  EPO-Munich
-  EC –Brussels – DG Trade, DG Research, Cabinet Barnier,
DG Internal Markt, DG Enterprise
-  IPO-Delhi
-  WCO
-  WIPO, WTO, WHO –Geneva
-  OHIM-Alicante
-  CJEU











Official Visits






- ① USPTO (May, 2015)
- ① Undersecretary Michelle Lee and team
 - ① Recent developments incl guidelines on sub. matter
 - ① More in depth considerations expected for abusive patent litigation
 - ① Hague Agreement – procedural topics such as drawing quality avoiding 2 tier system
 - ① Consistency in examination – appeals from certain examiners with low allowance rates
 - ① Compliance with Article 42 PCT (more recognition of info on file already)
 - ① Collaborative search
 - ① TTAB initiatives
 - ① Incomplete TM examination



Upcoming Agendas

-  OHIM recognition of seniority rights
-  EPO double patenting
-  IPO Entry into national phase, examiner transfer
-  SIPO On line shopping enforcement
-  SIPO For export goods – tm infringement
-  SIPO only one chance to amend goods/serv
-  SIPO Three new IP courts
-  SIPO right of representation for tm/pat attorneys

UP COMING AGENDAS

-  KIPO – collaborative search pilot programme
-  Expanded subject matter for tms
-  On line counterfeiting.

Upcoming Meetings

-  FICPI China – ACPAA Symposium Chengdu November 5-7 2015
-  ExCo Meeting (by invitation) Zurich April 10-14 2016
-  ABC Meeting June 19-23 South Wales
-  Next Open Forum St. Petersburg October 5-8 2016

CET 2015-2018

- 🌐 Collect briefing information involving issues specific to the National Offices and Official Bodies
- 🌐 Creation of new group 9 to handle Asian issues
 - 🌐 Balanced representation from 4 major Asian Countries
 - 🌐 allow for a voice from other Asian countries
 - 🌐 Chair –Lena Shen, plus four sub-chairs/coordinators from the other major Asian countries

Thank You FICPI Australia!!

