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PROGRAM

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Monday, December 7, 1998

1. Opening of the Seminar by a representative of the Patent Office of the United Kingdom, host of the Seminar
2. Introduction
3. IPC Revision Policy

Discussion paper presented by Mr. S. de Vries, Head, Chemical Division,  
Netherlands Industrial Property Office, Rijswijk, Netherlands

4. Language-Related Problems in the International Patent Classification and the Search System Using the Natural Language in the IPC

Presentation by Mrs. M. Lyon, Chief Engineer, National Institute of Industrial Property, Paris, France

5. Development of the IPC as a Search Tool

Discussion paper presented by Mr. A. Bruun, Senior Examiner, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, Stockholm, Sweden

6. International Patent Classification in Derwent Databases

Presentation by Mr. Bob Stembridge, Commercial Manager, Derwent Information, London, United Kingdom

Tuesday, December 8, 1998

7. IPC in the New Millennium – Challenge and Opportunity

Discussion paper presented by Mr. S.G. Kunin, Deputy Assistant Commissioner for Patent Policy and Projects, Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), United States Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C., United States of America

8. Classification and the Future of the IPC – The EPO View

Lecture presented by Mr. J. Rampelmann, Head, Classification Section, European Patent Office (EPO), Rijswijk, Netherlands

9. IPC Revision – The Future

Discussion paper presented by Mr. J.A. Calvert, IPC Coordinator, The Patent Office, Newport, United Kingdom

10. IPC Development in the Electronic Age – View of the International Bureau of WIPO

Discussion paper presented by Mr. M. Makarov, Head, International Patent Classification Section, WIPO

11. IPC - Revision – Future

Discussion paper presented by Mr. B. Geyer, Head, IPC Section, German Patent and Trademark Office, Munich.

12. Improvement of the IPC

Discussion paper presented by Mr. S. Ueno, Director, and Mr. H. Amano, Section Chief, R&D Office for Patent Information, Japanese Patent Office.

Wednesday, December 9, 1998

13. Recommendations to the IPC Committee of Experts

Thursday, December 10, 1998

14. Visit to the Patent Office of the United Kingdom

Friday, December 11, 1998

15. Adoption of the summary of proceedings

16. Closing of the Seminar

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