

IPC WORKSHOP

FINAL PROGRAM

Geneva, February 4 and 5, 2008

February 4, 2008

9.00 – 10.00

Registration

10.00 – 10.15

1. *Opening*

10.15 – 10.45

2. IPC Publication and IPC-Related WIPO Services

– Publication of IPC – New features in IPC-2009

Speaker: Mr. A. Farassopoulos, WIPO

– IPC Homepage

Speaker: Mr. L. Mailänder, WIPO

– IT tools for the IPC: Availability, Usefulness

Speaker: Mr. P. Fiévet, WIPO

– IPC Training Examples and Tutorials – Status Report

Speaker: Mrs. N. Xu, WIPO

Discussion

10.45 – 11.25

3. Reclassification and Master Classification Database (MCD)

– Outsourcing Reclassification – the USPTO Experience and Plans

Speaker: Mr. T. Mackey, USPTO

– MCD Status Report

Speaker: Mr. T. Watson, EPO

Discussion

11.25 – 11.40

Coffee Break

11.40 – 12.20

4. Reclassification – An International Effort

– Procedure and Monitoring of Retrieval of Reclassification Working Lists

Speaker: Mr. P. Fiévet, WIPO

– Tool Assisting in the Preparation of the Reclassified Working Lists

Speaker: Mr. A. Abrantes, INPI (Brazil)

– Outline of a Centralized Service for Reclassification of Patent Documents

Speaker: Mr. A. Bruun, Swedish PTO

Discussion

February 4, 2008 (cont'd)

- 12.20 – 13.00 5. Use of the IPC in Industry – Consequences of IPC Reform –
Impact of Changes in the IPC for Alerts – Implication of
incorrectly-assigned IPC Codes

Speaker: Mr. Gerold Frers, PDG

Discussion

13.00 – 15.00

Lunch Break

15.00 – 15.30

6. IPC 8 and Commercial Patent Databases

Speaker: Mr. Robert Willows, PatCom

Discussion

15.30 – 16.00

7. Quality of Classification – Assessment of the Quality and
Consistency of the Classification given by IP Offices –
Explanations for Deficiencies – Potential Solutions for
Classification and Search Practice

Speaker: Mr. L. Mailänder, WIPO

Discussion

16.00 – 16.15

Coffee Break

16.15 – 18.00

8. IPC and Other Classification Systems

- Japanese Classification System (FI, F-terms) and
Quality of Reclassification

Speaker: Mr. S. Iwasaki, JPO

- The USPC – Overview

Speaker: Mr. T. Mackey, USPTO

- The Trilateral Harmony Project

Speaker: Mr. H. Wongel, EPO

Discussion

18.00 – 19.00

Cocktail

February 5, 2008

- 10.00 – 11.30
9. Use of the IPC in IP Offices, in Particular Use of the New Post-Reform Features
- Use of Classification Systems at the EPO
Speaker: Mr. P. Foglia, EPO
 - Use of the IPC in IP Offices
Speaker: Round Table
- 11.30 – 11.45
- Coffee Break*
- Use of the IPC in IP Offices (cont'd)
Speaker: Round Table
- Discussion*
- 12.30 – 13.00
10. Revision Policy and Procedure of the Reformed IPC – Limitations and Perspectives
Speaker: Mr. A. Farassopoulos, WIPO
- Discussion*
- 13.00 – 14.30
- Lunch Break*
- 14.30 – 16.00
- General Discussion and Conclusion*

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