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organized by
the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
in cooperation with
the International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI)

Geneva, May 22 and 23, 2008

PROGRAM

Thursday, May 22, 2008

13.00 – 14.00 Registration

14.00 – 14.15 Opening

Welcome addresses by:

Mr. Francis Gurry, Deputy Director General, WIPO

Mr. Ronald Myrick, President, AIPPI

14.15 – 15.00 Definition and overview of the issue

Speaker: Mr. Jochen Bühling, Reporter General, AIPPI, Germany

15.00 - 15.45 Scope of privilege and issues in some common law systems

Chair: Mr. Michael Dowling, AIPPI, Australia

Speakers: 1. Dato V.L. Kandan, Consultant, Shearn Delamore & Co., Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

2. Mr. Steven Garland, Partner, Smart & Biggar, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

3. Mr. Pravin Anand, Managing Partner, Anand and Anand, New Delhi, India

15.45 – 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 – 17.00 Scope of privilege and issues in some civil law systems

Chair: Mr. Jochen Bühling

Speakers: 1. Mr. Thierry Mollet-Viéville, Vice President, AIPPI, France

2. Ms. Anette Hegner, Vice chair, European Patent Practice Committee, Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (EPI), Brøndby, Denmark

2. Mr. Yuzuru Okabe, Okabe International Patent Office, Tokyo, Japan

3. Mr. Cristobal Porzio, *Porzio, Rios & Asociados*, Las Condes, Santiago, Chile

17.00 – 18.00 Pitfalls and obstacles for clients operating in multiple jurisdictions

Chair: Mr. Ewald Glantschnig, Senior Counsellor, Patent Law Section, Sector of PCT and Patents, Arbitration and Mediation Center and Global Intellectual Property Issues, WIPO

Speakers: 1. Mr. Steven Garland

2. Mr. David Musker, Partner, RGC Jenkins, London, United Kingdom

18.00 – 20.00 Reception

Friday, May 23, 2008

- 9.00 – 9.30 The nature of the problem – is this a matter of public interest as well as private interests, and where does the balance lie between those interests?
- Speaker: Mr. Thierry Calame, Deputy Reporter General, AIPPI, Switzerland
- 9.30 – 10.30 Outcomes of litigation and needs arising in relation to client/IP professional privilege conducted in particular countries: Australia, Canada, United Kingdom, United States of America
- Chair: Mr. Philippe Baechtold, Head, Patent Law Section, Sector of PCT and Patents, Arbitration and Mediation Center and Global Intellectual Property Issues, WIPO
- Speakers: 1. Mr. Michael Dowling
 2. Ms. Joan Van Zant, Intellectual Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys (FICPI), Canada
 3. Mr. Alan Senior, FICPI, London, United Kingdom
 4. Mr. David Hill, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, Reston, Virginia, United States of America
- 10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 – 11.45 Experiences with recent developments in various jurisdictions
- Chair: Mr. Cristóbal Porzio
- Speakers: 1. Mr. Timothy Jackson, Partner, Baldwins, Auckland, New Zealand
 2. Mr. Wouter Pors, Partner and Head of IP Group, Bird & Bird, The Hague, Netherlands
- 11.45 – 12.15 Privilege – the perspective of companies, including those with in-house IP counsel
- Speaker: Mr. Michael Jewess, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), London, United Kingdom
- 12.15 – 13.00 Summary of the problems and issues involved in solving the problems, from different perspectives
- Chair: Mr. Ronald Myrick
- Speakers: 1. The clients' positions – Mr. Michael Jewess (ICC)
 2. The professionals' positions – Ms. Joan Van Zant (FICPI-Canada)
- 13.00 – 15.00 Lunch break

- 15.00 – 16.00 Prospects for improvement: what are the options?
- Chair: Mr. Thierry Calame
Speakers: 1. Mr. Eric le Forestier, FICPI, Paris, France
 2. Mr. Michael Dowling
- 16.00 – 16.30 Coffee break
- 16.30 – 17.30 Discussion by panelists with Conference attendees
- Chair: Mr. Thierry Calame
Panelists: Mr. Eric le Forestier
 Mr. Michael Dowling
 Dato V.L. Kandan
 Mr. Cristóbal Porzio
 Mr. Steven Garland
 Mr. David Musker
 Mr. Chew Phye Keat, Senior Partner, Raja, Darryl & Loh,
 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- 17.30 – 17.45 Closing of the Conference
- Mr. Ronald Myrick, AIPPI
 Mr. Philippe Baechtold, WIPO

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