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PROGRAM

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Tuesday, September 12, 2023

- 7.30 Departure from Riga
- 11.00 – 11.20 Registration. Morning coffee
- 11.20 – 11.35 **OPENING CEREMONY**
- Welcome addresses by:
- Mr. Agris Batalauskis, Director, Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia (LPO), Riga
Ms. Inés Fernández Ulate, Legal Officer, WIPO Judicial Institute, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), Geneva, Switzerland
- 11.35 – 12.20 **Topic 1 Review of the Recent Case Law of the Court of Justice of the European Union (EU)**
- Speaker: Prof. Dr. Alexander von Mühlendahl, Attorney-at-Law, Bardehle Pagenberg, Munich, Germany
- 12.20 – 13.00 **Topic 2 The Impact of the Metaverse on Intellectual Property (IP) (online)**
- Speaker: Mr. Erling Vestergaard, IP Enforcement Expert, European Observatory on Infringements of Intellectual Property Rights, European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), Alicante, Spain
- 13.00 Group Photo
- 13.00 – 13.50 Lunch Break
- 13.50 – 14.30 **Topic 3 Patent Law and its Limits**
- Speaker: Justice Klaus Grabinski, President of the Unified Patent Court of Appeal, Luxembourg
- 14.30 – 15.00 **Topic 4 Topical Issues in the Latvian Intellectual Property Case Law**
- Speaker: Judge Zane Pētersone, Supreme Court of the Republic of Latvia, Riga
- 15.00 – 15.30 **Topic 5 What a National Patent Judge should know about the Unified Patent Court (UPC)**
- Speaker: Justice Klaus Grabinski
- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break
- 16.00 – 16.40 **Topic 6 Bad Faith in Trademark Registration**

Speaker: Mr. Geoffrey Hobbs K.C., Barrister, One Essex Court, Temple, London, the United Kingdom; Senior Appointed Person Hearing Trade Mark Appeals from the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office, London

16.40 – 17.30 **Topic 7** **Bad Faith in Trademark Registration – Discussion**

Moderator: Ms. Inés Fernández Ulate

Panelists: Judge Agnieszka Gołaszewska, Court of Appeal in Warsaw, VIIth Department of Commercial and Intellectual Property Law, Warsaw
Mr. Geoffrey Hobbs K.C.
Mr. Andrej Stec, Advisor, General Court of the European Union, Luxembourg
Judge Zane Pētersone

18.30 Visit of the Concert Hall “Lielais Dzintars”

19.00 Dinner

Wednesday, September 13, 2023

9.00 – 9.40 **Topic 8** **The Limits of Copyright Protection**

Speaker: Judge Agnieszka Gołaszewska

9.40 – 10.10 **Topic 9** **The Rights of Stage Directors and other Creators in the Live Arts**

Speaker: Ms. Christina Langer, Copyright Law Division, Copyright and Creative Industries Sector, WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland

10.10 – 10.40 **Topic 10** **Recent Case Law on the Principle of Exhaustion of IP Rights**

Speaker: Ms. Inés Fernández Ulate

10.40 – 11.10 Coffee Break

11.10 – 11.40 **Topic 11** **“Characteristics” for the Purposes of the Descriptiveness Objection to Registration of Trademarks**

Speaker: Mr. Geoffrey Hobbs K.C.

11.40 – 12.10 **Topic 12** **Evaluation of Distinctiveness for Shape Trademarks**

Speaker: Mr. Andrej Stec

12.10 – 12.40 **Topic 13** **Internet and the Elements of Proof: E-evidence in Trademark Law**

Speaker: Mr. Andrej Stec

- 12.40 – 13.10 **Topic 14** **Proof of Use of a Trademark in Respect of Goods and Services Concerned** (online)
- Speaker: Mr. Normunds Lamsters, Legal Officer, Boards of Appeal, EUIPO, Alicante, Spain
- 13.10 – 14.00 Lunch Break
- 14.00 – 15.00 **Topic 15** **Regional Outlook on Baltic IP Case Law**
- Moderator: Ms. Dace Liberte, Chairperson, Industrial Property Board of Appeal, LPO, Riga
- Panelists: Judge Inga Krigena-Jurkāne, Riga City Court, Riga, Latvia
Judge Asta Pikeliene, Civil Division, Vilnius Regional Court, Vilnius, Lithuania
Judge Gea Lepik, Tallinn Circuit Court, Civil Chamber, Tallinn, Estonia
Judge Jarosław Antoniuk, Circuit Court in Katowice, XXIV Intellectual Property Division, Katowice, Poland
- 15.00 – 15.30 **Topic 16** **Review of the Recent Case Law of the EUIPO Boards of Appeal** (online)
- Speaker: Mr. Normunds Lamsters
- 15.30 – 16.00 Final Discussion
- CLOSING CEREMONY**
- 16:00 – 16:30 Coffee Break before departure to Riga

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