Seminar for Judges on Current Issues in Intellectual Property Rights

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PROGRAM

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All session times are indicated according to the local time zone (EEST).

Monday, 5 September 2022

7.30  | Departure from Riga

11.00 – 11.20  | Registration

11.20 – 11.30  | Opening and welcome speeches
Mr. Agris Batalauskis, Director, Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia (LPO), Riga
Ms. Eun-Joo Min, Director, World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Judicial Institute, IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, Geneva

11.30 – 12.20  | Review of recent EUIPO Boards of Appeal case law
Mr. Normunds Lamsters, Legal Officer, Boards of Appeal, European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), Alicante

12.20 – 13.10  | Review of recent case law of the Court of Justice of the European Union
Prof. Dr. Alexander von Mühlendahl, Attorney-at-Law, BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, Munich

13.10 – 14.00  | Lunch

14.00 – 14.40  | Supplementary protection certificates
Lord Justice Colin Birss, Deputy Head of Civil Justice, Court of Appeal of England and Wales, London

14.40 – 15.30  | Peaceful coexistence of trademarks and their unitary character
Prof. Dr. Alexander von Mühlendahl

15.30 – 16.00  | Coffee break

16.00 – 17.00  | Judicial case management of IP disputes (early case management, taking of evidence, experts)
Moderator: Ms. Eun-Joo Min
Panelists:
Lord Justice Colin Birss
Judge Kai Härmand, Harju County Court, Tallinn
Judge Inga Krīgena-Jurkāne, Riga City Vidzemes District Court, Riga

17.45  | Trip to Daugavpils Mark Rothko Art Center

19.30  | Dinner
Tuesday, 6 September 2022

9.00 – 9.45  **IP and sports**
Mr. Erling Vestergaard, IP Enforcement Expert, European Observatory on infringements of Intellectual Property Rights, Alicante

9.45 – 10.00  **WIPO Reference Guide to Sustaining Sport and its Development through IP Rights**
Ms. Michele Woods, Director, Copyright Law Division, Copyright and Creative Industries Sector, WIPO, Geneva

10.00 – 10.45  **Key recent decisions on trademarks and designs from the Latvian Industrial Property Board of Appeal**
Ms. Dace Liberte, Chairperson, Industrial Property Board of Appeal, LPO, Riga

10.45 – 11.10  **Coffee break**

11.10 – 11.40  **Non-fungible tokens (Blockchain) and IP**
Mr. Erling Vestergaard

11.40 – 12.30  **Distinction between free use and illegal copying**
Prof. Dr. iur. Thomas Dreier, Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Karlsruhe

12.30 – 13.30  **Roundtable on free use and illegal copying**
*Moderator:* Prof. Dr. iur. Thomas Dreier

*Panelists:*
Dr. iur. Rihards Gulbis, Scientific Adviser, Department of Civil Cases, Supreme Court of the Republic of Latvia, Riga
Judge Gea Lepik, Tallinn Circuit Court, Tallinn
Judge Wojciech Midziak, Regional Court of Gdansk, Gdansk

13.30 - 14.30  **Lunch**

14.30 – 15.10  **Artificial intelligence and copyright: national perspective and latest trends**
Ms. Ilona Pētersone, Head of Copyright Division, Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Latvia, Riga

15.10 - 16.00  **Blocking access to copyrighted content illegally available on websites: looking for balance and best solutions**
Dr. iur. Rihards Gulbis

16.00 – 16.30  **WIPO Alert**
Mr. Thomas Dillon, Legal Counsellor, Strategic Assistance and Awareness, Building Respect for IP Division, Global Challenges and Partnerships Sector, WIPO, Geneva
16.30 – 17.00  Final discussion and Closing of the seminar