

FICPI CET Group 3 – Running list

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Topics

1 Patent Law Treaty 2000 (PLT)

- Monitoring implementation

2 Patent Law Harmonisation, Substantive Patent Law Treaty (Draft SPLT; Group B+)

- Monitoring Multilateral, Trilateral and WIPO activities, attending WIPO SCP meetings
- Reduced package:
 - 1st to file
 - grace period,
 - prior art, novelty, prior art effect of unpublished applications
 - possible expansion with TRIPS' objectives/principles + transitional clause for developing world (IA)
 - early publication in the US (BG)
- [- Disclosure requirements relating to genetic resources]
- Inventive step/obviousness
- Prior user rights

3 Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

- Attending meetings (JM, GB)
- Impact of Change in Chapter I
- Common framework on quality and monitoring of quality
- Supplementary/Top-up searches
- Excess claim fee structure
- PCT Light
- PCT Roadmap
 - PCT Link (JM, GB, AM) (PatentScope)
 - Supplementary searches in the national phases (JM, IBA, GB)

4 WIPO Assemblies

- Attending Assembly meetings in Geneva each year

5 WIPO related special projects, Developing countries concerns:

- [- Agenda for Development of the International Patent System, initiated 2001]
- Issues connected to Development Agenda for WIPO, initiated 2004

6 World Trade Organisation (WTO)

- TRIPS: possible amendments, implementation issues
- Disclosure requirements relating to genetic resources

7 National patent issues with global impact (outside Europe)

- US patent law reform
 - US deferred examination (PC)
- Chinese patent reform

8 Interface between IP and Public Health

- Restriction of patentable matter in the pharmaceutical field
- Restriction of IP rights as a function of public health interests
- Exceptions to Patentable Subject Matter (MB, LJ, AM)

9 Compulsory licenses

- Follow-up of the discussions being held in some countries, mainly the BRICs

- Examining licenses actually granted

10 Other issues

- Information Disclosure Requirements
- Japanese proposal for new route
- Patent Prosecution Highway (EP, KT)
- Allowable amendments (v. new matter)
- Dissemination of Patent Information (KR, SO)
- Patents and Standards (DW)
- Priority Rights (MC, BG)
- Allowable amendments (pre- and post-grant) (WR)

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