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LATEST NEWS

NEXT IP COMMISSION MEETING

London | 26 and 27 April

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IP COMMISSION MEETING IN DELHI, NOVEMBER 2016



The Commission had a constructive dialogue with senior Indian government officials on the implementation of the Indian National IP Strategy in New Delhi. The meeting was followed by a conference on "IP: Key Enabler to Growth & Innovation" organised by ICC India and FICCI.

The summary and background documents of the meeting are available [on the IP Commission Sharepoint here](#).

REPORT ON SPECIALISED IP JURISDICTIONS PRESENTED TO WIPO ACE

Eugene Arievidich, one of the lead drafters of the report, presented the IP Commission report on SIPJs during a session on IP Courts of WIPO's Advisory Committee on Enforcement (ACE) on 6 September.

The [Chinese edition of the report](#) (courtesy of CCPIT Patent and Trademark Law Office) was released on 10 October.



LAUNCH OF THE ICC INTRANET

A [SharePoint intranet](#) for ICC policy commissions was launched in December 2016. This **private space for members of ICC Commissions and working bodies enables members to share and work on documents**. Members will receive a notification each time a new document is posted for comment.

If you have a question regarding the intranet, please do not hesitate to contact [Angèle Beauvois](#).

COMING UP IN 2017

NEW PROJECTS IN 2017...

As part of this year's action plan, the commission will start work on :

- **Patent quality and work sharing** by examining the impact of work sharing and other patent office efficiency initiatives on patent quality;
- **Design protection for graphical user interfaces** by making recommendations on their practical and legal aspects in different jurisdictions;
- **Valuation and monetization knowledge compendium** by compiling information and practices on the monetary valuation of IP assets across different professions;
- **Recent trade secrets legislation in the EU and in the US** by conducting a comparative analysis from the legal and business perspectives;
- **Procedural formalities relating to IPR registration**, e.g through the Apostille Convention, by encouraging governments to reduce or abolish them;
- **Utility models** by surveying the current state of utility model protection worldwide and company best practices on dealing with utility models.
- **EU Unitary Patent and Unified Court** by identifying and advocating solutions which preserve the interests of businesses inside and outside the EU and the UK after Brexit.

The terms of reference for these new projects can be found on the [IP Commission Sharepoint](#). To participate in these, please contact [Angèle Beauvois](#).

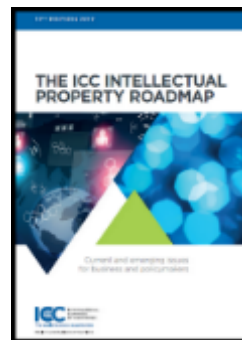
LOOKING BACK AT 2016

2016 PROJECTS MOVING FORWARD

Intellectual Property Roadmap

The 2017 edition of the IP Roadmap will be launched in the coming months. We would welcome your help and ideas for promoting the Roadmap.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities (either as a key sponsor or an in-kind sponsor), please [click here](#) or contact [Sandra Sanchez Nery](#), ICC's Sponsorship Coordinator.



Labelling and Packaging Measures

The paper on the impact of labelling and packaging measures, jointly developed by the Commissions on Intellectual Property and on Marketing and Advertising, will be released within the next few weeks.

PUBLICATIONS

Adjudicating Intellectual Property Disputes; an ICC Report on Specialised IP Jurisdictions was launched [last April in Moscow](#) at an ICC Russia conference on SIPJs with senior judges and lawyers from China, Germany, Russia, France and the UK. The report is available in [English, Russian and Chinese](#).

INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS



ICC continued to engage with WIPO in 2016 through participation in meetings of several WIPO Committees, such as the:

- Intergovernmental Committee on Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore (15-19 February | 30 May-3 June)
[An ICC paper on Protecting Traditional Knowledge was submitted to the IGC.](#)

Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)

COP13-COPMOP8-COPMOP2
CANCUN, MEXICO 2016



ICC played an active role in representing the business community in access and benefit sharing discussions, including:

- Initiating a CBD secretariat webinar for business users on the functioning of ABS Clearing House;

- Standing Committee on the Law of Patents (27-30 June | 12-15 December)
- Advisory Committee on Enforcement (ACE): presentation of the report on specialised IP jurisdictions

ICC also continued to participate in the WIPO Green Steering Committee and its informal network on the Madrid Agreement.



ICC participated in EUIPO projects on designs and trademarks and was represented by Ana de Sampaio at the EUIPO user meeting of 2-4 March.

- Fielding a business delegation at the 13th meeting of the Conference of the Parties to the CBD from 4 to 17 December in Cancun, Mexico;

- Nominating a business representative, Manisha Desai, at the Technical Experts Group meeting on Global Multilateral Benefit Sharing Mechanism;

- Developing business positions on:

- [EU ABS Regulation - draft guidance on scope and core obligations](#)
- [Digital Sequence Information](#)
- [Nagoya Protocol ABS Clearing House](#)

THE ICC COMMISSION ON INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

The ICC Commission on Intellectual Property is the voice of business worldwide on intellectual property issues at the cutting edge of international policy-making. The breadth of its membership, cutting across all business sectors and regions, enriches and informs discussions and allows the commission to present truly cross-industry international business views. It is composed of around 400 members and 320 company members worldwide. [Read more.](#)

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