

Multicountry workshop for patent offices and innovation policy makers from the European Neighboring Countries

INNOVATION POLICIES AND PATENT SYSTEMS
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Aim of the meeting :

The workshop aims at highlighting how national patent offices can practically take concrete action targeting a direct support to innovation strategies. It will address certain features of the national patent systems and propose possible strategic directions which could potentially increase its value for innovation. The workshop will also suggest how regional co-operation with the EPO can contribute to these efforts.

Day 1 – Tuesday October 25, 2011

25 October 2011

- 08.30 Registration of participants
- 09.00 - 09.30 Welcome allocution
by Ms Lilia Bolocan, Director General, State Agency on Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova (AGEPI)
- Welcome
by Mr. Valentín Mir, Director International Co-operation, European Patent Office
- Short presentation of TAIEX and organizational issues
by Mr. Pascal Phlix, European Patent Office

Session 1: Introductory session

Objective of the session: to introduce the workshop in highlighting the impact of a patent system on national innovation.

- 09.30-10.00 Patents, innovation and economic growth
by Mr. Nikolaus Thumm, Chief economist, European Patent Office

Session 2: The contribution of the national patent offices to the national innovation policies

Objective of the session: to illustrate through concrete examples how national patent offices can play an active role in supporting national innovation. Speakers will each present a concrete activity and detail the corresponding resources that are involved within the patent office.

- 10.00-10.20 Valorising R&D at universities: synergy university - patent office
- by Ms Radka Stupkova, Head of Legal Department, Czech Patent and Trademark Office (Czech Republic)*
- 10.20-10.40 Bringing IP expertise to SMEs. the IP pre-diagnosis
- by Ms Céline Mathevet, Deputy Head of Regional Agency Rhône Alpes, National Institute for Industrial Property (INPI), France*
- 10.40-11.00 Strengthening the national patent attorney profession: training and examination
- by Ms Zdravka Gyoziyeva, Head, Central Patent Library, Information & Documentation Department, Bulgarian Patent Office (Bulgaria)*
- 11.00-11.20 Coffee break
- 11.20-11.40 Providing patent innovation and turning it into an asset for innovation: from "Patent Information Centres" to "Innovation Information Centres"
- by Mr Roger Hildebrandt, Senior Expert in Section "Co-operation with Patent Information Centres and other institutions", German patent and Trademark Office (Germany)*
- 11.40-12.20 Initiatives in the European Neighbourhood
- The example of Ukraine
by Ms. Lyubov Morozova, Head, Division of Innovations, Ukrainian Industrial Property Institute, "Ukrainian Center of Innovations and Patent Information Services" (Ukraine);
 - The example of Morocco,
by Mr Moncef Elafia, Head of the patent department, Moroccan Office for Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC), Morocco

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12.20-12.45 Conclusion of session 2

12.45-13.30 *Lunch break*

Session 3: Patent system(s) and patent office(s)

Objective of the session. to analyse the conditions that are favourable for a small to medium sized national patent office to become an active actor of the national innovation system.

13.30-13.50 Pros and cons of patent registration vs patent examination: the existing patent systems and their impact on the organisation of the national patent office

- *by Ms Jasminka Adamovic, Assistant DG and Head of Patent Department, State Intellectual Property Office (Republic of Croatia)*

The French patent system: how national (FR), regional (EP) and international (WO) applications are processed

- *by Ms Céline Mathevet, Deputy Head of Regional Agency Rhône Alpes, National Institute for Industrial Property (INPI), France*

13.50-14.10 The benefits of regional co-operation: bundling competences for an overall increased efficiency: the business case of Tunisia

- *by Mr Nafaa Boutiti, Head of Patent Division, National Institute for Normalisation and Industrial Property (INNORPI), Tunisia*

14.10-14.30 Regional co-operation on patents in the EU Neighbourhood: the validation of EP patents as a contribution to the national innovation

- *by Mr Pascal Phlix, European Patent Office*

14.30-14.50 Economical and legal impact of regional co-operation: national sovereignty, EU association

- *by Mr Adil Elmaliki, General Director, OMPIC (Morocco)*

14.50-15.10 *Coffee break*

15.10-15.30 The evolution of the patent system in Moldova

- *by Ms Liliana Vieru, Deputy Director of the IP Promotion and Publishing Department, Head of the International Cooperation and European Integration Division, State Agency on Intellectual Property (AGEPI) of the Republic of Moldova (Moldova)*

Session 4: Conclusions and perspectives

15.30-15.40 Findings of the previous sessions,
by Mr Pascal Phlix, European Patent Office

15.40-16.30 Round table discussion and questions

16.30-16.45 Conclusion of the first day, perspectives

Evening *Dinner hosted by the EPO*

Day 2 – Wednesday October 26, 2011

26 October 2011

08.30 Registration of participants

Session 5: National perspectives

Objective of the session: fact finding session.

09.00-10.30 Each delegation is invited to present (10-15 minutes)

- the main features of the national innovation strategy (mid term, long term objectives and structure),
- the status quo of the involvement of the national patent office in the implementation of the national innovation strategy in specific projects,
- the developments that are foreseen or that would be necessary in the patent system and at the patent office for a more efficient support of the patent system to the national innovation.

animated by host country and EPO.

Coffee break

10.30-12.00 Continuation of round table

12.00-12.30 General conclusions and final round table
animated by host country and EPO

End of event

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