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- 09:00** **Welcome, General Assembly**
President's report
Financial report
Board and Advisory Board announcements
- 09:30** **'Opposition' before the USPTO / Patent procedure in China (recent developments) / Amicus curiae briefs:**
(moderator: Christian Gassauer-Fleissner)

speakers:
Anthony Tridico (US)
William Fisher (US)
- 10:45** **Coffee break**
- 11:15** **Status of UPC preparation**
(moderator: Richard Ebbink)

Speakers including:
Alex Ramsey (status of Preparatory Committee activities)
Kevin Mooney (hot topics in the Rules of Procedure)
Dr. Tochtermann (tbc) (the Local Divisions in Germany: will they bifurcate?)
- 12:45-14:15** **Lunch**
- 14:15** **Report from Venice Conference**
(Christian Gassauer-Fleissner)
- 14:30** **Second medical use claims in litigation**
(moderator: Penny Gilbert)

Speakers:
Dr. Albert Lindner (EPO, to be confirmed)
Mark van Gardingen (NL)
Tim Powell (UK)
Mikkel Vittrup (DK)
- 15:30** **Closing and Tea**