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Dear Member,

Annual meeting

Enclosed I send you the program for our annual meeting on November 20, 2009 at our usual venue.

Apart from an excellent opportunity to see your colleagues we will have a very interesting program which mirrors the Venice program and which deals with certain "hot topics" of our present practice and with the future European litigation system (which slowly but gradually seems to become a reality!).

Two Board Members (Edward Nodder and myself) will resign this year and if you have any suggestions for their replacement or wish to be a candidate yourself then please let me know before November 3. At the latest two weeks before the meeting the Board will inform you about the names of the candidates.

In my previous letter I have asked for sponsorships for our European patent law website. I have had several positive reactions and hope to be able to present the definite plan before leaving my post as your President.

I sincerely hope that you will all attend the Brussels annual meeting!

Kind regards,



Willem A. Hoyng

Program

EPLAW Annual Meeting & Congress Brussels, Le Méridien November 20, 2009

9.30	Annual Meeting a. President's report b. Financial report and quietus of Board c. Election of new Board Members d. Election of a President e. Election of two Vice Presidents
10.00	"Limits on limitation" Central (national) limitations and their effect on national proceedings Speaker: Jochen Pagenberg
10.35 – 11.15	<i>Coffee Break</i>
11.15 – 11.40	"Exhausted Exhaustion" When is a patent(claim) exhausted? Speaker: Simon Ayrton
11.40 – 12.20	Mini Trial (Broad Claiming) Iain Purvis: plaintiff Bart van den Broek: defendant
12.20 – 12.40	Discussion and Vote
12.40 – 14.00	<i>Lunch</i>
14.00 – 14.30	Developments in the Commission regarding the European Patent Judiciary and the Community Patent Margot Fröhlinger, Director, Knowledge-based Economy, DG Internal Market & Service, EC
14.30 – 17.00	The proposed rules of proceedings for the European patent court
14.30	Content of the Statement of Claim Kevin Mooney
14.45	Jurisdiction venue, language issues Winfried Tilmann
15.00	Evidence Edward Nodder

15.00 – 15.30	<i>Coffee Break</i>
15.30	Hearing Willem Hoyng
15.45	Juge Rapporteur Christophe Ronse
16.00	Preliminary Injunction Pierre Véron
16.15	Representation speaker to be announced