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PROGRAMME

Friday, 14 November

09.30	Welcome address Willem Hoyng, President, EPLAW Helge Rasmusen, Executive Director, European Patent Academy, EPO Massimo Scuffi, President, IPJA
	Session 1: Patents and Standards
10.00	Introduction Willem Hoyng, Howrey LLP, The Netherlands and President, EPLAW
10.15	The role of the courts in patent/standard litigation Sir Christopher Floyd QC, Royal Courts of Justice, United Kingdom
11.15	Standard setting process, FRAND, injunctive relief Carl de Meyer, Howrey LLP, Belgium
11.45	Discussion
12.45	Lunch break
14.00	Session II: European Patent Judiciary and Community Patent
14.00	Developments in the Commission regarding the European Patent Judiciary and the Community Patent Margot Fröhlinger, Director, Internal Market and Services DG, Knowledge-based Economy, European Commission
14.30	Update on the French Presidency Benoĭt Battistelli, President, INPL, France
15.00	Remarks with respect to plans for a European Patent Judiciary Jochen Pagenberg, Bardehle Pagenberg Dost Altenburg Geissler, Munich, Germany
	Robert van Peursem, Vice-President, District Court of the Hague,/Netherlands
15.50	Discussion
17.00	End of day

Saturday, 15 November

09.30	Recent development in the EPO Manuel Desantes, Vice-President, International & Legal Affairs, EPO
	Session III: Mock Trial
10.15	Plaintiff Pierre Véron, Véron & Associés, Paris, France
11.35	Defendant Peter Ulrik-Plesner, Plesner Law Firm, Copenhagen, Denmark
12.15	Reply and rebuttal
12.30	Lunch break
13.30	Deliberation in various groups (different languages)
14.30	Judgment of the Court Sir David Kitchen, Royal Courts of Justice, United Kingdom Jens Feilberg, Maritime and Commercial Court, Denmark Eurico Marques dos Reis, Court of Appeal, Lisbon, Portugal Gabriella Muscolo, Court of Rome, Italy Michel Bonneur, Court of Appeal, The Hague, Netherlands
15.20	Discussion
16.30	End of Forum
20.00	Dinner Hotel Danieli Riva degli Schiavoni