

# European Intellectual Property Teachers Network Ltd: Corrected first call for participation

Dear IP teacher,

You are cordially invited to participate in the eighth annual workshop of the European Intellectual Property Teachers' Network Ltd. (EIPTN Ltd.) at the University of Latvia, Riga, on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015.

The EIPTN Ltd. is multi-disciplinary in focus and aims to bring together IP teachers from across Europe to exchange ideas on best practice in intellectual property teaching and learning activities.

The EIPTN Ltd. is now a separate legal entity, a company limited by guarantee. The European Patent Academy of the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Academy of the Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) (OHIM) support the EIPTN Ltd. in holding this event.

In particular, the EIPTN Ltd. aims to raise awareness and disseminate information relating to:

- innovations in the teaching of intellectual property, including web-based teaching and learning activities;
- problem-based teaching and learning; and
- multi-disciplinary teaching and learning
- create a network of IP teachers.

Given the informal nature of the workshop, we do not expect participants who are chosen to contribute to the programme to prepare a full paper to present at the meeting, but we are instead issuing this call for proposals to give 15 minute presentations on issues relating experiences of teaching IP, for example on teaching innovations, problems associated with teaching IP and emerging issues in IP teaching. We would encourage you to provide feedback from the students or evidence of any impact on teaching outcomes due to the issues discussed. Examples of presentations given at the workshops in previous years can be found on the EIPTN Ltd. website.

This year we are also issuing a call for posters. Chosen posters will be displayed during the course of the meeting with time for the poster presenters to 'talk to' their poster.

In addition to the teaching sessions there will be a session run by the EPO and OHIM devoted to explaining and demonstrating the use of the IP teaching materials made available by them with the potential for a train the trainer workshop. Engagement in the workshop and train the trainer events will entitle the participants to a certificate issued by the appropriate body. This certificate will qualify the named holder for free participation in future EIPTN Ltd. events. Moreover, best practices of using the EPO and OHIM IP teaching material will be presented.

The working language for the workshop will be English.

There will be an Annual Dinner on the 29<sup>th</sup> June.

If you would like to participate in the EIPTN Ltd. meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2015 by offering to give a short presentation or present a poster about your teaching experiences or innovative approaches to teaching you have used, please send the title of your proposed talk or poster and a 100 word abstract, setting out the main themes you intend to address, to: [c.f.howell@aston.ac.uk](mailto:c.f.howell@aston.ac.uk).

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April. The committee will then select a programme.

EIPTN Ltd. will give up to a maximum of 425 Euros for each participant giving a presentation and up to a maximum of 200 Euros for each poster participant to support economy travel, accommodation and subsistence associated with attending the workshop in Riga. Please note that, due to budgetary constraints, the subsidy is only available for one participant per presentation/poster. Co-presenters are most welcome but they will need to fund their own travel, accommodation and subsistence.

It will also be possible to attend the workshop on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June without giving a talk on IP teaching issues but, in this instance, delegates will be expected to fund their own travel and accommodation costs. In addition, a small fee will be payable by non-speakers to cover the cost of attending the meeting. Notification of the programme of speakers for the workshop and further details about how to register for the event if you are not a speaker will sent after the deadline for receipt of abstracts has expired.

If you know of any IP teachers who would like to become members of our network do please pass them this message.

We look forward to receiving your abstracts by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April and hope to see many of you at the workshop in June.

Best wishes

The organizing committee

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