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**Information Flows, Software
Protection and Standardisation**
1 - 3 December 2006

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Munich, Germany

Programme

European Patent Academy

Friday, 1 December 2006

European Patent Office, PschorrHöfe,
Bayerstr. 34, Room 8661

15.00 Registration and team introduction

15.30 Welcome

- *Jean-Michel Zilliox (EPO)*
- *Joseph Straus (MIPLC and Max Planck Institute)*
- *Dieter Stauder (CEIPI)*
- *Mariano Riccheri (Magister Lucentinus Alicante)*
- *Herbert Laederach (MAS IP ETH Zürich)*
- *Florian Leverve (QMIPRI)*

Module I **The Flow of Information** **in the Digital Millennium**

16.00 Topic 1
Technological, Economic and Cultural
Aspects: A Law and Economics Perspective

- *Peter Menell (University of California, Berkeley)*

16.45 Questions from teams and participants

17.00 Topic 2
What Does Information Mean
in the Digital Age?

- *John Cahir (Matheson, Ormsby, Prentice, Dublin)*

17.45 Questions from teams and participants

18.00 Coffee break

- 18.20** **Keynote speech**
■ *Manuel Desantes (Vice-President, European Patent Office)*
- 18.30** **Topic 3**
Internet and the Process of Creative Atomization
■ *Thomas Dreier (University of Karlsruhe)*
- 19.15** Questions from teams and participants
- 19.30** **Panel debate**
You May Be Living in Interesting Times

Panel members:
■ *John Cahir*
■ *Thomas Dreier*
■ *Peter Menell*
- 20.30** Close of day 1
- 20.40** **Cocktail reception at the Sky Bar**

Saturday, 2 December 2006

Max Planck Institute, Marstallplatz 1,
Room E10

Module II Consumers Like Standards, Industry Needs IP?

- 09.30** **Topic 4**
Standards versus IP
■ *Alan Cunningham (Queen Mary, University of London)*
- 10.15** Questions from teams and participants
- 10.30** Coffee break
- 11.00** **Topic 5**
Consumers, Technical Standards and New Technologies
■ *Fritz Teufel (European Patent Attorney)*
- 11.45** Questions from teams and participants
- 12.00** **Panel debate**
IP and Standards: A Trade-off?

Panel members:
■ *Stefan Bechtold*
■ *Alan Cunningham*
■ *Fritz Teufel*
- 12.45** Lunch

Module III
Alternative IP Protection
for Digital Information

- 14.00** **Topic 6**
European Sui Generis Legal Protection
of Databases
- *Matthias Leistner (Max Planck Institute, Munich)*
- 14.45** Questions from teams and participants
- 15.00** **Topic 7**
Legal Aspects of Technical Content Protection
- *Stefan Bechtold (Max Planck Institute for Research on Collective Goods, Bonn)*
- 15.45** Questions from teams and participants
- 16.00** Teams work on EIPIN reports
(with team advisors)
- 19.00** Close of day 2
- 20.00** **Dinner at the Augstiner Restaurant**

Sunday, 3 December 2006

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Room E10

Module IV **Protection of Software** **in the Digital Millennium**

- 09.30** **Topic 8**
Political, Social and Economic Considerations
■ *Ralph Nack (Bird & Bird)*
- 10.15** Questions from teams and participants
- 10.30** Coffee break
- 11.00** **Topic 9**
Patenting Computer-Implemented Inventions
under the EPC
■ *Ioannis Bozas (European Patent Office)*
- 11.45** Questions from teams and participants
- 12.00** Lunch
- 13.00** Close of conference

Venue

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