**AIPLA Global Sector Committees Top 2 2018-2019 Association Year**

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| **Committee** | **Top 2** | **Resources Needed** | **Execution Next Steps** | **Response from** | **Response Date** |
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| ***International and Foreign Law***  Co-Chair: Debora Plehn-Dujowich  Co Chair: Rich Stockton  Board Liaison: Bob Stoll | 1. Create/revitalize subcommittees, including nascent “IP Practice in …” subcommittees and subcommittees to review, e.g., multilateral treaties like USMCA and coordinate the Global Sector response. “IP Practice in … “ committees naturally favor diversity; be sure to include new/younger members as well as “known” members.  2. Continue publication of successful newsletter on bimonthly basis, including encouraging new/younger members to contribute from all jurisdictions. |  |  | Rich and Debora | 11/7/18 |
| ***IP Practice in China***  Co-Chair: Craig Tucker  Co-Chair: Letao Qin  Board Liaison: Patrick Coyne | 1. Engage participation in the various subcommittees to obtain active and consistent recruiting and mentoring/developing new committee and AIPLA members  2. Revitalize the microsite to enable tracking and development of a contacts and speaker database with notes of prior communications, topics of interest for trip symposiums and stated meetings, policy support materials and draft legislative comments submitted in response to requests.  Additional priorities beyond requested “Top 2”:  3. Establish a committee news letter produced under a new sub-committee, drawing content from members, other news sources.  and invited articles from interested Chinese firms and agencies.  This newsletter, together with the more complete and accessible microsite, will facilitate keeping all members engaged and up to date on the Committee’s work in a reliable and organized single source.  4. Organize and execute on a high quality delegation to China, advancing AIPLA’s relationship with our associating organizations and government agencies of importance to AIPLA and its mission.  5. Plan and execute on CLE track programs for the Spring and Annual meetings 2019. |  |  | Craig Tucker | 10/27/18 |
| ***IP Practice in Israel***  Co-Chair: Frederick Rein  Vice-Chair: Daniel Feigelson  Board Liaison: Patrick Coyne | 1. Present an educational seminar in Israel regarding American IP developments  2. Arrange for various local get-togethers of committee members (and friends of such members interested in IP and Israel) to strengthen a sense of community |  |  | Frederick H. Rein | 12/10/2018 |
| ***IP Practice in Japan***  Co-Chair: Yuichi Watanabe  Co-Chair: Todd Baker  Board Liaison: Bob Stoll | 1) April Trip to Japan 2) MWI Pre-meeting 3) Annual Meeting Pre-meeting | 1) we don’t require any specific resources from the Executive Level. Although the President has been along in the past, we have been established long enough that this is not a requirement.  We will be finalizing the delegation early in February 2017 so please let us know if any executive members are interested in coming on the trip.  2) each year, we do have name tags made up by AIPLA Headquarters so there is some level of admin support used. This has generally run quite smoothly.  3) we do host a reception in Japan during our trip and Dave Hill (Finnegan) has managed this aspect of the trip for the last many years. I believe that Dave Hill will be involved as co-ordinator again this year. We are also looking at transitioning this event to another co-ordinator as Dave heads towards retirement.  I believe the main resource provided by AIPLA is funding for this event. In order to support this funding, we instituted sponsorships at each of the Annual and MWI meetings and these tend to generate a fair amount of money. |  | Neil | 1/12/2017 |
| ***IP Practice in Latin America***  Co-Chair: Eugenio Perez  Co-Chair: Ury Fischer  Board Liaison: Patrick Coyne | 1) To organize a delegation trip to Brazil to visit local IP associations, the INPI (patent and trademark office), specialized courts, American Chamber of Commerce, and other Brazilian IP stakeholders.  The trip will also coincide with the annual meeting of the Brazilian IP association where our delegation will engage practitioners from all of Latin America in educational programs and outreach  2) To coordinate a joint CLE program between AIPLA and ASIPI (the Latin American counterpart of AIPLA) to expose ASIPI members to the benefits of joining AIPLA  3) Continue to schedule joint CLE programs at stated AIPLA meetings to engage our committee members, members of other committees, and new members, and to educate US members on practice in Latin America and vice-versa |  |  | Ury Fischer | 12/4/2018 |
| ***IP Practice in Europe***  Co-Chair: Kathleen Lemieux  Co-Chair: Ray Farrell  Board Liaison: John Osha | 1. Creation of subcommittees to increase active participation by Committee members and seek to engage this participation to foster active and more consistent recruiting and mentoring; one way of possibly increasing participation in offering additional roles to foreign members of our committee  2. Strengthen our relationships with some of the key associations with which we already have relationships, including GRUR/AIPPI-DE, CIPA, and CNCPI in particular | At least one Board Member for the trip to EP scheduled between Jun 11 and June 16 22017 if possible  Additional resources may be needed in view of unfolding and execution of step 3) and implementation of step 6) | 1) Committee Meeting re Brexit and UPC development with EPO Vice President during Midwinter  (1-hr Non-CLE Session- joint with harmonization Task force)  2) Periodical (monthly or bimonthly) email to members with updates from EP (starting January 2017)  3) Contacts with EP associations to schedule meetings during the EP trip 2017 and/or to verify interest and forms of ongoing exchanges/collaborations (January 2017-June 2017)  4) Committee Meeting re tensions between US and EP system and possibly other systems during Spring Meeting  (2hr CLE Session joint with Education Committee, and possibly IPP in China and IPP in JP committees)  5) Trip to Europe 2017 to meet with the EPO, attend the EP inventor’s aware and meet various EP organizations to be possibly framed within 3)  6) Program re UPC (possibly mock trial) during Annual Meeting 2017 | Chen Wang | 12/11/2018 |
| ***IP Practice in the Far East***  Chair: Tiep Nguyen  Vice Chair: Hui Wauters  Board Liaison: Patrick Coyne | 1. Coordination with Vietnamese IP practitioners for this year’s visit to and IP training seminars in Vietnam; 2. Coordination with other committees for a joint session on Legal and Cultural Considerations at the next Annual Meeting. |  |  | Tiep | 2/8/18 |
| ***International Education***  Chair: Bea Koempel-Thomas  Vice Chair: Brad Chin  Board Liaison: DeAnn Smith | Multi-year strategic program for Int’l Ed leveraging IPP Committee local trips info and local logistics contacts with AIPLA to provide the content.   1. Assist CIPA with roadshow on IP and Brexit - ongoing 2. Identify educational programs with IPP committees | In 2019, AIPLA resources include coordination with the headquarters staff, Online Programs Committee, IPP committees for the target countries/areas in anticipation of organizing a program. | CIPA Roadshow – coordinate roadshow with CIPA and AIPLA; identify sponsorships and promote roadshow with AIPLA membership | Brad Chin | 12/11/18 |
| ***PCT Issues***  Chair: Mark Guetlich  Vice Chair: Mary Drabnis  Board Liaison: John Osha | **Project 1.** Education and Outreach - Produce a 22nd annual AIPLA PCT Seminar.  **Project 2**. Policy and Practice - Engage stakeholders in discussion relating to PCT practice improvements  **Project 3**. Community Engagement – Revitalize and broaden information sharing and discussion through the AIPLA microsite; live committee meeting exchanges; and ad-hoc webinars/committee calls. | Resources Needed –  -Substantive content ideas from WIPO, USPTO, past committee leadership  -AIPLA HQ contacts for scheduling, logistics, advertising activities  -AIPLA HQ meeting space with classroom setup  Resources Needed–  -Input and cooperation from PCT Issues committee and interested counterpart committees.  -AIPLA Liaison and Board Liaison guidance; past committee leadership guidance; AIPLA Board consideration of proposed resolutions.  Resources Needed–  -Topic ideas and content posting expertise | Next Steps–  -Staff a Seminar sub-committee.  -Agreement on seminar date.  -Identify deliverables and a timeline.  -Post the Seminar date and a content sketch on AIPLA site.  -Develop content topics identify speakers with input from past leadership, WIPO, USPTO.  -Post detailed agenda on AIPLA site.  -Post slides on AIPLA site in advance of the Seminar date.  Next Steps–  -Committee input and vote on 2 new resolution proposals.  (DONE)  -Finalize and submit 2 new resolution proposals for AIPLA Board approval during January 2019 board meeting.  -Prepare topics for MWI2019 committee discussion/debate addressing existing and new resolutions, current events in the PCT community, open-mic comments from audience. Planning to accommodate a live audience and dial-in callers.  Next Steps–  -Staff microsite and topical-content sub-committees. | Mark Guetlich | 12/9/2018 |
| ***Trademark Treaties and International Law***  Chair: Janet Fuhrer  Vice Chair: Jessie Roberts  Board Liaison: Bob Stoll | 1) Future Development of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks  Develop a vision for the future development of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks to be unveiled, inter alia, in conjunction with the ongoing discussion of the agenda items set by the Working Group of the Assembly of the Madrid Union for their meetings at WIPO in Geneva, Switzerland, during 2017-2018 and beyond.  2) O Canada/Ô Canada/O Canadá  In view of the importance of Canada to US trade, and, in particular, as a NAFTA partner, develop an AIPLA program in anticipation of Canada’s possible accession to the Madrid Protocol in 2018. | I am not sure what we will need in terms of AIPLA resources in 2017, but I am sure that we will have to coordinate with the headquarters staff and/or committees responsible for programs in general in anticipation of organizing a program something in 2018—depending, of course, on when Canada accedes, something which, when I last checked, could not be predicted with certainty. |  | Alan Datri | 3/8/2017 |
| ***U.S. Bar-SIPO Liaison Council***  AIPLA delegates:  Zhun Lu  Shaobin Zhu  Board Liaison: Patrick Coyne | n/a |  |  |  |  |
| ***U.S. Bar-JPO Liaison Council***  AIPLA delegates:  Kevin Kunzendorf  Monica Barone  Board Liaison: Bob Stoll | n/a |  |  |  |  |
| ***U.S. Bar-EPO Liaison Council***  AIPLA delegates:  Iris Mok  Andrew Melick  Board Liaison: John Osha | n/a |  |  |  |  |
| ***AIPPI-US***  Chair: Marc Richards  Vice Chair: Chris Carani  Board Liaison: John Osha | 1. AIPPI-US Study Question Responses.  Requires coordination with select substantive AIPLA committees and the Board.  Next steps are to line up relevant AIPLA committees, develop timeline for completion of tasks by relevant stakeholder groups for preparation, review, revision, approval and submission of study question responses.  2. Preparation for London Congress, including building AIPPI-US membership to increase number of voting delegates and promoting the Congress and benefits of membership within AIPLA and getting US members as moderators/speakers in the program.  Next steps are to make the benefits of AIPPI group membership more visible to all AIPLA members, and also to improve the visibility of the sign-up and membership maintenance processes.  Would benefit from AIPLA staff to prepare updated AIPPI-US membership collateral and make the membership renewal and sign up process more transparent. |  |  | John Osha | 12/11/2018 |
| ***Harmonization***  Co-Chair: Anthony Venturino  Co-Chair: Tom Moga  Board Liaison: John Osha | 1. Prepare patent harmonization package for submission to B+ sub group in 2018 or 2019. 2. Asking the IP5 to focus on short term deliverables for procedural harmonization by deregulation that would be of immediate value to applicants, such as working to make it easier for applicants to correct mistakes and revive cases after mistakes. |  |  | Tony Venturino | 12/5/2018 |