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### **1. Introduction and Agenda**

Mme. Pagis introduced M. Xavier Albouy as successor of M. Hannart . He is leading the INPI team for the meeting. M. Gallizia will give the presentation upon the INPI 19<sup>th</sup> Century Database. The PatCom representatives presented themselves shortly.

M. Albouy explained that INPI is working hard to get ISO 9001 and showed key figures in a presentation about increasing electronic part and the e-services strategy. He confirmed again that INPI will move to a new site at Courbevoie in mid 2012.

### **2. New Developments in the INPI Information and Pricing Policy**

Mme. Darrigade continued the presentation which will be given soon to PatCom for the “members only” section of its webpage:

- the French esp@cenet database including PCT material from WIPO will change by end of 2011 to the new esp@cenet version.
- the Patent status database (French Register) will change also by end of 2011.

The usage is about 45% from foreign countries, mainly DE, US and UK. The new version will go online on November 18 and shall have a clearer presentation and a new PS database including URLs. If there are problems during testing, PatCom members shall contact Sabine Darrigade directly. A federated EP register (1<sup>st</sup> stage) will also be available.

A list of files for licensing will come soon. Full text will be available only for A-documents.

### **3. Presentation of a new Database: 19<sup>th</sup> Century French Patents**

M. Gallizia gave a presentation of the new database on 19<sup>th</sup> Century French Patents starting 1791 with the 1<sup>st</sup> patent application. The transfer to the e-version was ready for 1791 to 1844 on October 3, 2011. The rest will be covered until 2014.

M. Albouy explained that the material will be free, but a license contract will be necessary. The pictures are in jpeg - about 6 Gbyte - the text about 4 Gbyte storage capacity so far.

More details will be given next week, promised M. Pagis. The material is mainly bibliographic for prior art, the legal part is not ready. The PatCom representatives see great value in such a file for prior art search.

Design data will be scanned from 1910 to 1995 internally to be ready about two years from now. Trademarks will not be prepared.

#### **4. User Survey**

Mme. Darrigade explained that a user survey is performed for samples of 10 persons with observation of the search behaviour and to get a better view on user expectations. As a first result it shows that non-experts want to be better guided. More details may be given in the next meeting.

#### **5. Licensing of INPI Material**

Mme. Pagis announced that full text prices including backlog and update will be send before end of 2011 or early in 2012. The costs will be "very small", about € 1000/year. The rest is still unclear because of high internal production costs. For the time being existing license fees remain unchanged.

M. Buffet proposes hard disks for transfer but the respective conditions and security aspects must be cleared.

#### **6. AOB**

M. Albouy asked for users' expectations. M. Lagemaat said, the expectations of the clients are : All for no costs! The business model is via functionality, no longer via content. M. Buffet added that time is costly at the user and industry side.

INPI proposed to have the next meeting also later on November 22, 2012 because of the moving to the new site. Further details will be agreed between M. Candelon and the PatCom Secretary.

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