



## **Minutes 45th ExCo PatCom Meeting Vienna.**

9am 12<sup>th</sup> October 2018

- 1) The minutes of the **44<sup>th</sup> meeting were agreed.**
- 2) Apologies were received from **Robert Fokkema** .
- 3) **Meetings with new Offices**

We discussed whether we should continue to seek additional meetings, given time and budget pressure, and the challenges of fitting in the existing meetings. Those who attended the meetings with INPI and OEPM agreed that these meetings are very useful, and important for information gathering for PatCom and also for the offices themselves who need to show they are interacting with users and stake holders in the patent information industry. We discussed virtual meetings e.g. WebEx, but agreed that these were also not ideal, face to face meetings are preferred. So far we have had no success with re-establishing the meeting with the UKIPO. ExCo agreed we should set up such a meeting, particularly because of Brexit, the UK's patent examination workflow sharing with CA and AU offices.

Outcome: we should attempt to gain a meeting with the UK IPO, and consider attending East Meets West in order to engage with the Asian offices (SIPO, JP IPO, KIPO). Another venue for meeting representatives from other IPOs is at the EPO PIC.

**Action: JL to liaise with Dan Shalloe to see if a meeting room could be made available at EPO PIC once the attendee list is published and we can see who is there.**

**Email sent to ExCo- feedback requested by 6/11/2018.**

- 4) **PatCom Membership**

- 4.1 New members:

We should review the companies who attend the EPO PIC, and approach companies who may gain from membership of PatCom. Companies such as Aistemos, Linguamatics, CPA are possible candidates.

**Action: JL/AC/ AF to introduce PatCom to potential members at EPO PIC.**

- 4.2 We continue to seek an active representative from Clarivate Analytics.

**Action: AC to contact Bob Stembridge / Rob Adams**

- 4.3 PatentSight / Lexis Nexis Univentio are both now owned by RELX and will be represented at PatCom by Jurjen Dijkstra. Both organisations are members ATM, but this may change for 2019-2020, and this may impact the membership fee. .

**Action: AF to review for AGM in March.**

- 5) **WIPO Observer Meetings**

JL has forwarded meeting invitations from WIPO to ExCo members. So far no one has attended a meeting on behalf of PatCom. JL is preparing a list of meetings so we have more of an overview, and can make the decision on which meeting(s) to attend. The PDG and CEPIUG are represented at WIPO meetings. AC suggested that the Secretary could attend on behalf of PatCom if no member could attend.

**Action: JL to circulate meetings spreadsheet – WIPO have provided a PDF of all 2019 meetings which has been forwarded and will be added to the website.**

- 6) **Preparation for EPO meeting**

We agreed on some questions to raise at the meeting, including:– legal status information, applicant IDs for normalisation, access to the datasets used to build patent translate.

- 7) **AOB** – The group agreed that the morning meeting was a good idea.  
**Action: JL to arrange the next (46<sup>th</sup>) ExCo prior to the WIPO meeting in Geneva at an appropriate venue.**
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**Agenda:**

- 1) Confirmation of minutes of 44. Meeting in Paris
  - 2) Apologies
  - 3) Review progress on securing meetings with new offices
  - 4) Patcom membership issues – new members / leaving members.
  - 5) WIPO Observer meetings.
  - 6) Preparation for EPO meeting.
  - 7) A.O.B.
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**Attendees:**

Jane List (PatCom Secretary)  
Ann Chapman, Minesoft, Chair PatCom).  
Paul Peters, CAS  
Jurjen Dijkstra, LexisNexis  
Christiane Emmerich, FIZ Karlsruhe  
Felix Coxwell, Questel

Apologies: Robert Fokkema, LHIP

Jane List, PatCom Secretary, 1st November 2018, Cambridgeshire