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Global Network on IPR Research



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London Conference: September 14-15 2006

Intellectual Property Rights for Business and Society

Call for papers:

Papers are welcome on:

- Theoretical, empirical and methodological approaches from all disciplines
- All types of IPRs (patents, copyrights, trademarks)
- All IPR issues including:

IPR performance:

Innovation and competitiveness,
Knowledge spill-over,
Cultural expansion,
Access,
Reward systems,
Sustainable development,
Inequality,
Economic convergence (catching up) *versus* divergence,
Moral rights and consumer ethics,
Variety, quality and price,
Indicators.

IPR management and policy:

Norms, rules and standards of IPR governance,
Licensing practices and industrial context,
Competition and collaboration,
Policy harmonisation to 'one size fits all' (e.g. TRIPS)
Alternative appropriation regimes,
Financial and non-financial value of IPRs,
Appropriate IPR management and policy.

The institutional IPR environment:

Global commons / Anti-commons,
Bio-piracy,
IPR support systems,
Norms and standards enforced by IPR offices,
Norms and standards enforced by the legal IPR profession,
Trust and transparency,
IPR stakeholders and the quality of their relationships,
Patent & copyright scope and length,
Power of trademarks and brands
University patents,
Software patents and patenting business methods,
Patenting DNA structures.



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Conference website:

http://ipr.dime-eu.org/ipr_conference

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The Dynamics of Institutions and Markets in Europe (DIME) Network of Excellence has five years of sponsorship from the European Union. The Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) elements of the DIME Network currently focus on research in the area of patents, copyrights and related rights. DIME is at the forefront of IPR research as it addresses and debates current political and controversial IPR issues that affect businesses, nations and societies today. These issues challenge state of the art thinking and the existing analytical frameworks that dominate theoretical IPR literature in the fields of economics, management, politics, law and regulation- theory. <http://ipr.dime-eu.org/>

The Global Network on IPR Research serves as a global platform for critical thinking and lively discussions. The network aims to provide insights on the role of IPR regulation in achieving economic performance, growth and sustainable development. This facilitates the provision of a higher quality of life at all levels of society across global regions. <http://www.ipr.bbk.ac.uk/global/>

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Venue:

Clare Management Centre, Torrington Square, Birkbeck College, University of London, Bloomsbury, London.

Dates for your diary:

- **June 1st 2006:** Abstracts should be submitted no later. Submit to IPRevent@bbk.ac.uk
- Notification regarding papers selected for presentation will follow within a couple of weeks.
- **August 25th 2006:** Full papers should be submitted no later. Submit to IPRevent@bbk.ac.uk. It is important that you SUBMIT YOUR PAPER WITHIN THE DEADLINE so the participants have a chance to read your paper before the conference. This will facilitate a fruitful discussion at the conference. Please indicate if you wish to publish your submission within the DIME working paper series: http://ipr.dime-eu.org/ipr_publications
- **September 14th and 15th 2006:** The conference.

Best papers presented at the conference will be selected for publication in:

- Special issue of a refereed Journal
- Edited books

Conference fees:

Standard rate*:

- Conference fee £140: Includes access to all conference presentations at the venue and all refreshments served at the venue
- £40 Evening buffet at Courthouse Kempinski on the 14th September (see programme for details)
- £40 Luxury Conference Dinner Thames Cruise on the Naticia on the 15th September (see programme for details)

Participation in all activities: £220

Student rate*:

- Conference fee £60: Include access to all conference presentations at the venue and all refreshments served at the venue
- £20 Evening buffet at Courthouse Kempinski on the 14th September (see programme for details)
- £20 Luxury Conference Dinner Thames Cruise on the Naticia on the 15th September (see programme for details)

Participation in all activities: £100

(* Prices on all conference activities include subsidy by the sponsors. DIME-participants will be further subsidised, as far as DIME's budget allows)

Registration:

- See http://ipr.dime-eu.org/ipr_conference for details

Programme outline:

- Frequently check the conference web-site for latest version of programme: http://ipr.dime-eu.org/ipr_conference (When full programme is ready it will be published on this web-site)

Thursday Sep 14, 2006 IPR conference	9:00- 9:30 Registration (coffee and tea served) 09:30 – 11:00 Conference opening: Session 1 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee and tea 11:30 – 13:00 Session 2 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch 14:00 – 15:30 Session 3 15:30 –16:00 Coffee and tea 16:00 – 17:30 Conference debate event: Session 4 19:00 – Evening buffet at Courthouse Kempinski: Courtroom no 1 where the great (Napoleon III, Oscar Wilde) and famous (John Lennon, Mick Jagger) and not so good pleaded their case.
Friday Sep 15, 2006 IPR conference	09:30 – 11:00 Session 5 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee and tea 11:30 – 13:00 Session 6 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch 14:00 – 15:30 Session 7 15:30 – 16:00 Coffee and tea 16:00 – 17:30 Conference round-up: Session 8 19:00 – Conference dinner on the Naticia: Luxury Dinner Cruise on the Thames with views of London and live jazz entertainment. Conference closes
Saturday Sep 16, 2006 Post conference event: Global Network on IPR Research activity meeting	09:30 – 11:00 Global Network on IPR Research meets to discuss activities. Everyone invited. Opportunities for membership are explained. 11: 00 – 11:30 Coffee and tea. Meeting closes.