

LIDC^h CONGRESS GENEVA 6-9 OCTOBER 2016

Hôtel Président Wilson Geneva, Switzerland



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INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE OF COMPETITION LAW



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Welcome back to Switzerland!

Dear Colleagues,

The LIDC Swiss Group, the LIDC and the IPI are delighted to welcome you again in Switzerland.

The last LIDC Swiss Congress took place in September 2002 in Montreux. For those who were not members at that time, Montreux was the place where the General Meeting of the LIDC decided to modify the format of the congresses that were at the time organized over two subsequent years in two different locations. In that sense, the Swiss Group organized in 2002 a Congress that was only dedicated to the international reports (there were 4 questions then).

It is also interesting to note that the first question was related to competition law and sport whereas the fourth question was related to domain names registration.

In our congress this year, we will address issues connected to sport and IP and denomination of origin...

In order to enhance the Swiss touch, our program this year also covers pharmaceutical and competition law, the new Federal Patent Court, the role of EUROPOL in connection with IP law infringements and a round table dedicated to competition law and financial services.

In order to pay a tribute to the so called "Genève international" a round table will discuss the activities of the WTO in both IP and competition law areas.

The congress will be held at the PRESIDENT WILSON HOTEL in Geneva, on the lake waterfront.

A cocktail reception shall take place on October 7 at the PRESIDENT WILSON and the Gala dinner will take place on Saturday evening on a steamboat leaving in front of the hotel. For those who would like to experience and taste Swiss wines, a specific excursion has been organized on Sunday morning (it has to be noted that Swiss wines are rarely exported due to the fact that generally speaking, each vineyards or appellation produces a quantity of bottles that can be sold entirely on the local market).

We sincerely hope that you will be able to attend this congress and that you will enjoy it both from a professional and a social perspective.

Michael Meyenburg

President of LIDC



Christophe Rapin

President of the LIDC Swiss Group



THE CONGRESS PROGRAMME

Thursday 6 October 2016

14:00 - 18:00	Registration of delegates (at the conference venue, President Wilson Hotel, 47 quai Wilson, 1211 Geneva)
14:00 - 15:00	Meeting of the Scientific Committee
15:00 - 17:00	Meeting of the Bureau
17:00 - 18:00	Meeting of the Council
18:15	Meeting with first timers in the lobby, all participants are invited to welcome the first timers.

Friday 7 October 2016

08:00 - 13:00	Registration of delegates (at the President Wilson Hotel, 47 quai Wilson, 1211 Geneva)
08:30 - 09:00	Opening Ceremony
09:00 - 10:30	<u>Panel discussion</u> : Sporting events and IP - recent trends and legal challenges

Chairman: **Prof. Klaus Vieweg**, Institute of Law and Technology, Law School of the Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany

Panelists: **Prof. Jacques de Werra**, Faculty of law, Vice-Rector of the University of Geneva;
Prof. Antoon Quaadvlieg, Faculty of law, Radboud University and KLOS c.s. Attorneys at law, Amsterdam;
Ms Marianne Wüthrich, Senior Legal Counsel, International Olympic Committee (IOC), Switzerland;
Mr Daniel Zohny, Senior Legal Counsel Intellectual Property, Fédération Internationale de Football Association (FIFA), Switzerland

Description: The panelists will discuss questions such as: What rights in a sporting event need to be protected? What role for trade secrets in high tech sports and sporting events? What are the strategies that sports organisations implement to protect trademark rights? Hot topics related to recent sporting events, such as the Olympics in Rio, will also be addressed.

Friday 7 October 2016 (Continued)

10:30 - 10:50	Coffee Break	16:00 - 16:20	Coffee break
10:50 - 12:30	<p>Working Session - Question A</p> <p>”In the case of pharmaceuticals, in what way should the application of the competition rules be affected by the specific characteristics of those products and markets (including consumer protection rules, the need to promote innovation, the need to protect public budgets, and other public interest considerations)?”</p> <p><u>International Reporter</u>: Mr Stephen Dnes</p> <p><u>Chairman</u>: Mr Thaddeus Burns, Senior Counsel, Intellectual Property and Trade, GE</p>	16:20 - 18:00	<p>Working Session - Question B</p> <p>“What rules should govern claims by suppliers about the national or geographic origin of their goods or services?”</p> <p><u>International Reporter</u>: Dr Simon Holzer</p> <p><u>Chairman</u>: Dr Dev S Gangjee, Associate Professor in Intellectual Property Law, University of Oxford</p>
12:30 - 13:45	Lunch with Keynote speaker (Mr Dieter Brändle , Chairman of the Swiss Federal Patent Court)	18:00 - 18:30	<u>Closing speech</u>
13:45 - 14:30	<p><u>Keynote speech</u>: Hot topics in Swiss competition law</p> <p>Prof. Vincent Martenet, Chairman of the Swiss Competition Commission</p>	19:30	Reception at the hotel
14:30 - 16:00	<u>Panel discussion</u> : Financial Services & Competition Law		

Chairman: **Prof. Christian Bovet**,
Professor, University of Geneva

Panelists: **Mr John B.Reynolds**, Davis Polk LLP
Prof. Pierre-Henri Conac

Professor at the University of Luxembourg;

Prof. Jacques Derenne,

Attorney at law and Professor at the Brussels School of Competition and at the Liège University

Description: Successive crises and instability in financial markets have turned the spotlight on competition policy in this sector, particularly on agreements and concentrations, as well as from a state-aid standpoint. Some parallels may also be drawn in connection with the regime applicable to sanctions for market abuse.

Saturday 8 October 2016

- 08:00 - 09:00** Breakfast with Keynote speaker
Mr Anthony Manuguerra, Operations Economic Crime, EU IPC3 (European Union Intellectual Property Crime Coordinated Coalition) Europol
- 09:00 - 10:00** Working Session - Questions A & B (two rooms)
- 10:00 - 10:20** Coffee Break
- 10:20 - 11:30** Panel discussion: Everything practitioners need to know on the WTO, TRIPS and competition

Chairman: **Mr Luzius Wasescha**, Former Ambassador of Switzerland to WTO, UNCTAD, EEC-UN and EFTA (Chair)

Panelists: **Mr Jean-François Bellis**, Partner, Van Bael & Bellis, Professor, University of Brussels (ULB);
Mr Antony Taubman, Director, Intellectual Property, Government Procurement and Competition Division, WTO

Description: International competition can be understood in many ways. At the institutional level, it starts with competition between the multilateral WTO framework and bilateral agreements; but are competition issues sufficiently taken into consideration in international trade?
 Are they at all included in the WTO Agreements?
 What about bilateral agreements?
 If yes how, and if not, how could or should they be?
 And how do IP provisions in the TRIPS Agreement and in bilateral agreements coexist?
 Finally, competition also exists in dispute resolution services. The Panel will concentrate on the unique dispute settlement procedure of the WTO and on the role of industry in WTO panels.

- 11:30 - 12:30** General Meeting

 With the participation of **Ms Alexandra Grazioli**, Director, Lisbon Registry, World Intellectual Property Organisation, WIPO, in connection with the Lisbon Arrangement
- 13:00** Lunch at the hotel
- 19:15** Meeting point in the lobby of President Wilson Hotel
- 19:30** Gala dinner on the paddlewheel steamboat “Savoie”

PROGRAMME FOR ACCOMPANYING PERSONS

Thursday 6 October 2016

14:00 - 18:00 Registration of delegates (President Wilson hotel, 47 quai Wilson, Geneva)

Friday 7 October 2016

09:30 - 09:45 Meeting point in the lobby of President Wilson Hotel
guided tour of Geneva's International Organisations, including a visit of the United Nations, the ICRC Museum.

12:45 - 14:00 Lunch at the Ecole Hôtelière

14:00 - 16:00 Guided tour continues

Saturday 8 October 2016

09:30 Meeting point in the lobby of President Wilson Hotel
guided tour of Geneva's old town

12:00 - 14:00 Lunch at the "Café Papon" in the old town

14:00 - 16:00 Visit to the "Saint-Pierre" Cathedral and its archaeological site

Sunday 9 October 2016 open to all participants (optional - registration fee applies but minimum 25 participants)

09:30 Meeting point in the lobby of President Wilson Hotel

10:00 - 14:30 Guided walking tour of the Dardagny vineyards (it will be the grape harvest season) followed by a wine tasting reception in the Knights Hall of the Dardagny Castel followed by transfer

15:00 Coach transfer arrives at Cointrin Geneva International Airport.

INFORMATION

With something for everyone and boasting an ideal location in the heart of Europe, Geneva offers a broad range of unmissable experiences in its unique natural setting. Within one hour you can leave the beautiful city on the shores of the Lac Léman (the largest lake in Western Europe) to be at the foot of Western Europe's tallest mountain, the stunning Mont-Blanc.

With its breathtaking views, Geneva will amaze you time and time again! From the famous Jet d'Eau, to the picturesque countryside, enjoy being spellbound by its diverse and enchanting landscape.

Whether you enjoy a trip to the heart of the legendary birthplace of fine watchmaking, savouring the gastronomic delights of top restaurants or soaking up the buzz of the international district, Geneva promises a magical experience to leave you starstruck.

MEETING VENUE

The working sessions will take place at the **President Wilson Hotel**,
47 quai Wilson, 1211 Geneva, +41(0)22 906 66 66
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GETTING TO GENEVA

By plane:

Cointrin Geneva International Airport is located approximately 5 km from the main Cornavin train station and about 6 km from the centre.

Upon arrival, before passing through customs you will find a distributor of **free tickets** for Geneva city that can be used either for buses or trains. There are escalators/lifts that lead down to the train.

By train:

Geneva can be reached by train from many countries and the main station is Cornavin station.

LANGUAGES

English and French are the official working languages of the meeting. There will be simultaneous translation between these languages.

CLIMATE

The weather in Geneva in October generally fluctuates between +8 and +16 subject to a heat wave or a cold snap.

DRESS CODE

During the working sessions of the meeting, business attire is suggested. For the Gala Dinner cocktail dress and business attire, and for excursions casual dress.

HOTELS

All enquiries for room reservations (and/or cancellations) have to be sent directly to the hotel.

REGISTRATION CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellations are to be sent in writing to the organizing committee at: info@asas-concurrence.ch or by fax +41 22 707 98 01.

Cancellations received before 31 August 2016 will receive full refund minus an administration fee of €50. There will be no refund of cancellations received after 31 August 2016.

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PRESIDENT WILSON HOTEL *****

Quai Wilson 47

1211 Geneva

Tel: +41(0)22 906 66 66

Mail: sales@hotelpwilson.com

Rooms pre-booked at a preferential rate until 31 July 2016

CHF 330.-/360.- per night single/double occupancy

For reservation please clic [here](#)

How to reach President Wilson Hotel:

Cornavin train station, Geneva

Distance: about 1.3 km/0.81 miles

15 min. walk - by bus: Bus n°1 or n°25 direction « Jardin botanique »,

« Gautier » stop (3 stops)



International Airport Geneva - Cointrin (GVA)

Distance: about 8 km/4.97 miles

By train: Direction « Geneva », stop at « Geneva, Cornavin train station » (1 stop), and follow the indication here above.

By taxi: 20 min. average cost: CHF 40.-



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N'Vy Hotel ****

(5 minutes walk)

18, rue de Richemond

1202 Geneva

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**Rooms pre-booked at a preferential
rate until 31 July 2016**

CHF 235.-/265.- per night single/double occupancy

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Jade Hotel ***

(6 minutes walk)

55, rue Rothschild

1202 Geneva

Tel: +41 (0)22 544 38 38

Mail: araymond@manotel.com

**Rooms pre-booked at a preferential
rate until 31 July 2016**

CHF 190.-/210.- per night single/double occupancy

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