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Taking ATRIP Down Memory Lane

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This symposium collects the reminiscences of the past and current presidents of the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP). As shown in this collection, the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) has played an instrumental role in both the formation of ATRIP and the development of intellectual property as a field of teaching and research. In the past three decades, WIPO has also offered important and continuing support to ATRIP Congresses. It not only has made available its staff (including members of the WIPO Academy), but has also provided generous funding support to ATRIP delegates from developing countries.

Given the close and longstanding ties between WIPO and ATRIP, it is logical for *The WIPO Journal* to pay tribute to the latter and to document the historical origins and noted accomplishments of this transnational professional academic organisation. Through a trip down memory lane, we not only can learn more about the organisation's rapid growth and past challenges, but can also better understand the development of the intellectual property field in general. This symposium should be of great interest to all intellectual property professors and researchers, in particular past and present ATRIP members.

Of great interest are the historical origins of ATRIP (including WIPO's role in the early and much lesser known Round Tables), the focus of its early annual meetings on the teaching of and research in intellectual property (in particular the discussion and dissemination of syllabi of intellectual property courses),¹ the subsequent exploration of intellectual property issues relating to universities and other academic institutions, the relationship between the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS Agreement) of the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the session on national reports (which remains active and is often held on the last day of an ATRIP Congress) and the emergence of specific conference themes in the mid-2000s (which now lend themselves to books published in the ATRIP Series by Edward Elgar Publishing).

In addition, the symposium contributions reflect both the foresight and pioneering effort of WIPO and ATRIP leaders, many of whom have now become elder statesmen in the intellectual property field. The contributions also vividly capture the camaraderie among intellectual property professors and researchers—a trait that, sadly, is not always present in the legal academia. Perhaps because the intellectual property field did not come of age until two decades ago, scholars in this field have always been more open, collegial and supportive of each other, even when they disagree on key issues and developments.

While I was putting together this symposium with the useful advice and tremendous assistance of Professors Graeme Dinwoodie and Annette Kur, Professor Horacio Rangel-Ortiz sent me a digital copy of *20 Years of ATRIP (1979–1999)*. This 6" x 8.5" commemorative booklet was put together during

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¹ On the teaching of intellectual property law, see Jeremy de Beer and Chidi Oguamanam, *Intellectual Property Training and Education: A Development Perspective* (Geneva: International Centre for Trade and Sustainable Development, 2010); Yo Takagi, Larry Allman and Mpazi A. Sinjela (eds), *Teaching of Intellectual Property: Principles and Methods* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2008); Peter K. Yu, "Intellectual Property Training and Education for Development" (2012) 27 Am. U. Int'l L. Rev. 311; Peter K. Yu, "Teaching International Intellectual Property Law" (2008) 52 St. Louis U. L.J. 923.

Professor Rangel-Ortiz's presidency. The limited space in this symposium and the visually deficient textual format do not allow me to do justice to this priceless collection of conference programs and summaries, lists of ATRIP leaders and participants and, most important of all, the nostalgic, historic colour photos taken by Professor Glen Weston and his wife, Betty. As acknowledged in the commemorative volume, these rare photos provided "a virtual pictorial history of the creation and amazing growth of ATRIP". The more time passes, the more valuable these photos have become.

Personally, I was pleasantly surprised to find observers from China and Thailand amongst the participants of the Conference of Law Professors of Intellectual Property.² Held on October 10–12, 1979, this WIPO-sponsored event inspired the formation of ATRIP. I am also delighted to see Professor Guo Shoukang, now undeniably one of China's "national treasures" in the intellectual property field, among one of the signatories of the ATRIP Charter and serving as an early vice-president of the organisation.³ The early participation of Asian scholars and researchers in ATRIP is important, because a conventional view exists that Western and Latin American intellectual property professors and researchers have historically dominated the organisation.

The participation of Chinese scholars is also interesting from an international standpoint. It shows how much the international intellectual property system has advanced in the past three decades. Only three months before the 1979 foundational conference, China signed the Agreement on Trade Relations between the United States of America and the People's Republic of China. This bilateral agreement marked China's reopening to the outside world and its early commitments to protecting the copyrights, patents and trademarks of foreign nationals. In fact, China did not accede to the WIPO Convention until March 1980. It took four more years for China to accede to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and another eight before China joined the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works in July 1992.

This contribution does not seek to capture the extent and richness of the information provided in the 20th anniversary commemorative booklet—a feat that is impossible to achieve. Instead, I included below, in chronological order, some key information about all the pre-ATRIP Round Tables and ATRIP Congresses.⁴ Readers will notice that I have provided more information on those Congresses that were held in the first two decades of ATRIP. The reasons are twofold. First, I had the benefit of now hard to find organisational records from the 20th anniversary booklet. Complementary to the contributions to this symposium, this commemorative volume is a wealth of information. Secondly, information about the ATRIP Congresses held from 2000 onwards is now freely available on the ATRIP website. The site includes not only conference programs and hyperlinks to individual conference websites, but also the organisation's Constitution, photos taken at various Congresses, a list of all the winners of past ATRIP essay competitions, a list of books in the ATRIP Series published by Edward Elgar Publishing, as well as other useful information.

In closing, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the past and current ATRIP presidents. Without their eager and immediate responses amidst their busy schedules, this symposium would not have been possible. I am also grateful to Professor Ysolde Gendreau for inviting me to present a paper at my first ever ATRIP Congress in Montreal. Even though her Congress had already been filled with towering

² Coincidentally, Marino Porzio also attended this conference as a WIPO staffer. A Chilean lawyer and a future WIPO Deputy Director General (1980–1987), Porzio would return to the China scene less than three decades later as one of the three panellists for *China—Measures Affecting the Protection and Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights*, the WTO dispute between China and the United States over the inadequate enforcement of intellectual property rights under the TRIPS Agreement.

³ Other Chinese scholars who served on the ATRIP Executive Committee are the late Professor Zheng Chengsi and his protégé, Professor Xue Hong.

⁴ Information about the events held during 1979–1999 was drawn directly from the 20th anniversary commemorative booklet. To ensure accuracy and readability, some of the information is taken verbatim without separate attribution. Information about the events held afterwards was drawn or reconstructed from the ATRIP website, the websites of past ATRIP Congresses as well as other sources. The author also benefited from the insights and recollections of past ATRIP presidents.

giants in the intellectual property field, she still worked tirelessly to reach out to mere junior scholars like me. So, a big thank you for welcoming me into the ATRIP family with open arms. *Merci beaucoup!*

As Confucius says in the *Analects*, “At fifteen I set my heart upon learning. At thirty, I had planted my feet upon the ground” (*wu shi you wu er zhi yu xue / san shi er li*). ATRIP has both learned well and been on solid footing, thanks in large part to the dedicated efforts of the organisation’s past presidents, executive committees and senior members. It is indeed an honour to pay tribute to all those who have worked tirelessly to advance the field of intellectual property law. It is also a privilege for me to be involved in a symposium that would allow us to hear directly from the past and current ATRIP presidents.

In the preface to the 20th anniversary commemorative booklet, Professor Rangel-Ortiz wrote:

“[T]he annals of ATRIP are contained in thousands of pages, that one day will have to be organized and summarized by someone attached to ATRIP with the same affection, emotion and devotion as Glen and Betty Weston.”

While this symposium cannot fill this void, I do hope that you have enjoyed this collection of reminiscences while waiting for this monumental task to be completed one day.

Conference of Law Professors of Intellectual Property

Geneva, Switzerland
October 10–12, 1979

This meeting was sponsored by WIPO.

Delegates: Ernesto Aracama Zorraquín (Argentina), Manuel Pachon (Colombia), Jean-Jacques Burst (France), Friederich-Karl Beier (West Germany), Upendra Baxi (India), Mohammed Hosny Abbas (Kuwait), David Rangel-Medina (Mexico), Baldo Kresalja Rossello (Peru), Esteban Bautista (The Philippines), Januz Swaja (Poland), Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (Spain), William Cornish (United Kingdom) and Glen Weston (United States)

Observers: Li Meili (China), Tang Tsungshun (China), Wang Zhengfa (China), Wu Yungchi (China) and Garnjana Krit (Thailand)

WIPO Participants: Árpád Bogsch (Director General), Gust Ledakis (Legal Counsel), Marino Porzio and Ludwig Baeumer

Roundtable of University Professors on the Teaching of Industrial Property Law

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
April 9–11, 1980

At this meeting, eight intellectual property professors gathered to draft the ATRIP Constitution. The drafters agreed to extend invitations to the 1981 Charter Meeting to intellectual property professors and researchers in both developed and developing countries.

Participants: Ernesto Aracama Zorraquín, Jean-Jacques Burst, Friederich-Karl Beier, Januz Swaja, Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano, William Cornish, Glen Weston and Gust Ledakis

1981 Charter Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
July 14–16, 1981

Dr Árpád Bogsch, WIPO Director General at that time, hosted a reception in the WIPO lobby after the signing of the ATRIP Charter. He also agreed to join the organisation himself.

Participants: 70 participants from 30 nations

Elected Officers: Friederich-Karl Beier (President), Ernesto Aracama Zorraquín (President Elect), Upendra Baxi (Vice-President), William Cornish (Vice-President), Januz Swaja (Vice-President), Glen Weston (Vice-President), Michel de Hass (France) (Treasurer) and Hans Peter Kunz-Hallstein (West Germany) (Secretary)

First Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
September 20–22, 1982

By the time of this meeting, ATRIP had already attained 194 members from 39 countries.

Participants: 61 members from 28 countries

Social Activities: a reception hosted by the faculties of the Universities of Geneva and Lausanne at a nearby villa in Geneva

Second Annual Meeting of ATRIP

European Patent Office Headquarters, Munich, West Germany
September 5–7, 1983

Participants: 74 members from 28 countries

Social Activities: a welcoming reception hosted by the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Patent, Copyright and Competition Law (Max Planck Institute), a cocktail party hosted by the president of the European Patent Office, an excursion to Schloss Ringberg (a castle near Tegernsee in Upper Bavaria belonging to the Max Planck Society) and a Bavarian dinner

Elected Officers: Ernesto Aracama Zorraquín (President), William Cornish (President Elect), Gunnar Karnell (Sweden) (Vice-President), Nébila Mezghani (Tunisia) (Vice-President), Januz Swaja (Vice-President), Glen Weston (Vice-President), Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (Treasurer), Jeremy Phillips (United Kingdom) (Secretary) and Friederich-Karl Beier (Ex-Officio Member)

Third Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
September 16–19, 1984

Participants: 53 members from 25 countries

Social Activities: a demonstration of computerised intellectual property materials and a dinner at the University of Lausanne

Fourth Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
September 16–18, 1985

Social Activities: an optional pre-meeting tour to visit the 15th century castle of the Count of Gruyeres and the Gruyeres Cheese Factory, a lunch at a mountainside restaurant near Mount Moléson and a visit to and dinner at the 16th century Le Part Dieu Monastery

Elected Officers: William Cornish (President), Glen Weston (President Elect), Guo Shoukang (China) (Vice-President), Gunnar Karnell (Vice-President), Vito Mangini (Italy) (Vice-President), Nébila Mezghani

(Vice-President), Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (Treasurer), Jeremy Phillips (Secretary) and Ernesto Aracama Zorraquín (Ex-Officio Member)

Fifth Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
July 14–15, 1986

This meeting was convened as a meeting of the Working Group on Teaching Material, organised by ATRIP and WIPO.

Participants: 15 members from 11 countries

Social Activities: a dinner party hosted by Dr and Mrs Gust Ledakis in celebration of their wedding anniversary

Sixth Annual Meeting of ATRIP

Girton College, Cambridge
July 19–21, 1987

At this meeting, Dr Gust Ledakis, WIPO Legal Counsel at that time, presented to Professor Glen Weston a surprise birthday cake and card signed by ATRIP members, along with several humorous small gifts.

Participants: 65 members from 29 countries plus guests

Social Activities: a dinner at the college dining hall, visits to the 11th century Ely Cathedral in Ely and the Ickworth House in Bury St Edmunds and possibilities to attend the Cambridge Festival 1987 and the International Congress of Organists (held in the same week as the ATRIP Meeting)

Elected Officers: Glen Weston (President), Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (President Elect), André Françon (France) (Vice-President), Guo Shoukang (Vice-President), Gunnar Karnell (Vice-President), Krishnaswami Ponnuswami (India) (Vice-President), Joseph Straus (West Germany) (Treasurer), William Fryer III (United States) (Secretary) and William Cornish (Ex-Officio Member)

Seventh Annual Meeting of ATRIP

National Law Center, George Washington University, Washington DC
July 24–27, 1988

This meeting included a demonstration of LEXIS for computerised legal research and an open meeting of the Working Group on Teaching Material.

Participants: 363 participants, 24 family members, 7 guest speakers and 24 observers

Social Activities: an optional pre-meeting sightseeing tour of Washington, a tour of the US Patent and Trademark Office (arranged by Professor Donald Banner of John Marshall Law School, the former US Commissioner of Patents), a visit to the US Copyright Office (arranged by Professor Waldo Moore of George Washington University, the former Deputy US Register of Copyrights) and a dinner reception in the Madison Building at the Library of Congress (hosted by the Chemical Manufacturers Association, the National Agricultural Chemicals Association and the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association)

Eighth Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
July 10–12, 1989

At this meeting, the position of the vice-president was replaced by the membership of the Executive Committee (ExComm). The Committee was expanded to include two additional members, and its size has further varied in subsequent meetings.

Participants: 48 members and 9 guest speakers and observers

Social Activities: a reception at the WIPO lobby, a champagne party hosted by Dr Bogsch, a visit to the Chateau of the Order of Malta in the suburb of Geneva, a dinner at L'Auberge du Cedre Bleu and optional post-meeting tours of the Nestlé Industrial Research Centre in Vers-Chez-Les-Blancs and the Swiss Intellectual Property Office in Berne

Elected Officers: Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (President), Gunnar Karnell (President Elect), Antonio Chavez (Brazil) (ExComm Member), François Dessemontet (Switzerland) (ExComm Member), André Françon (ExComm Member), Guo Shoukang (ExComm Member), Umesh Kumar (Lesotho) (ExComm Member), Stanislaw Soltysinski (Poland) (ExComm Member), Joseph Straus (Treasurer), Eduardo Galán (Spain) (Secretary) and Glen Weston (Ex-Officio Member)

Ninth Annual Meeting of ATRIP

Herradura Hotel, San José, Costa Rica
September 17–21, 1990

This meeting was convened as a Symposium on Intellectual Property, University and Industry in Latin America, jointly sponsored by ATRIP, WIPO and the University of Costa Rica. The majority of the participants were professors and teachers in Latin American universities as well as rectors from European and Latin American universities.

Social Activities: a WIPO reception at San José Holiday Inn, a buffet reception at the University of Costa Rica and a tour of the countryside, visits to the Irazu Volcano National Park in the Central Volcanic Range and the Basilica of Our Lady of the Angels in Cartago (the old colonial capital of Costa Rica), a lunch at Charrarra Recreation Park, a drive by coffee and banana plantations, a visit to the campus of the University of Costa Rica, and a performance of songs and dances by the National Company of Dance at Melican Salezar Theater

10th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

School of Law, University of Salamanca, Spain
October 6–9, 1991

Social Activities: a tour of Las Escuelas Mayores, Las Escuelas Menores and Patio des Las Escuelas, a guitar concert at the Church of Colegio Mayor of the Archbishop Fonseca (with Professor Antonio Palao, Department of Musical Education, University of Salamanca) and a tour of the town of Alba de Tormes

Elected Officers: Gunnar Karnell (President), Joseph Straus (President Elect), André Françon (ExComm Member), Guo Shoukang (ExComm Member), Baldo Kresalja Rossello (ExComm Member), Vito Mangini (ExComm Member), G.L. Peiris (Sri Lanka) (ExComm Member), Stanislaw Soltysinski (ExComm Member), Theo Bodewig (Germany) (Treasurer), Lars Pehrson (Sweden) (Secretary) and Alberto Bercovitz Rodriguez-Cano (Past President)

11th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
June 29–July 1, 1992

Participants: 53 members plus guest speakers and observers

Social Activities: a visit to the Swiss Military Museums, hors d'oeuvres and cocktails on the patio of the restaurant Domaine des Penthes, a small reception at the WIPO foyer and a banquet at Restaurante Vieux-Bois (a training school for hotel chefs and managers)

12th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

Stockholm School of Economics, Sweden
August 17–19, 1993

Social Activities: a banquet on board sightseeing boat Prins Carl Philip, and a visit to and dinner reception at the Prins Eugen Waldermarsudde Museum (with entertainment by a string ensemble)

Elected Officers: Joseph Straus (President), André Françon (President Elect), Theo Bodewig (Treasurer), Bojan Pretnar (Slovenia) (Secretary) and Gunnar Karnell (Ex-Officio Member)

13th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

Ljubljana, Slovenia
July 11–13, 1994

Social Activities: an evening reception in honour of Dr Bogsch at the National Museum, a concert at the old Town Hall (performed by the Slovene Octet), a visit to Postojnska Cave near Postojna and a farewell dinner at the outdoor auditorium on the site of the Annual Festival of Music

14th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

University of Washington, Seattle, United States
July 19–21, 1995

The position of the Secretary was eliminated at this meeting. Since the founding of ATRIP, the Max Planck Institute has provided indispensable support as a quasi-secretariat.

Local Host: Professor Donald Chisum

Social Activities: a reception at the Columbia Center Club (hosted by a local law firm), a dinner at Jazz Alley Restaurant, a tour of the University of Washington campus (including a meeting at the Human Interface Lab), a boat tour of Seattle's harbour and a salmon buffet dinner prepared by the Tillicum Indian Tribe in the Long House on Blake Island

Elected Officers: André Françon (President), Horacio Rangel-Ortiz (Mexico) (President Elect), John Asein (Nigeria) (ExComm Member), Donald Chisum (United States) (ExComm Member), Ysolde Gendreau (Canada) (ExComm Member), Theo Bodewig (Treasurer) and Joseph Straus (Past President)

15th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

Casablanca, Morocco
September 5–7, 1996

This meeting was the first ever ATRIP Annual Meeting in Africa.

Local Host: Moroccan Industrial and Commercial Property Office

Participants: over 80 participants from 30 countries

Social Activities: a lunch hosted by Wali of Casablanca at Royal Golf Arifa, a dinner hosted by the Minister of Trade, Industry and Crafts at Hotel El Mansour, a cocktail reception provided by the French Chamber of Commerce and Industry in Morocco, a dinner offered by the President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Casablanca, a closing dinner at the restaurant Riad des Délices, a guided tour

of Casablanca (United Nations Square, the Medina, the Royal Palace, Anfa, the Cornice and the Great Hassan II Mosque), and an excursion to Marrakech

16th Annual meeting of ATRIP

School of Law, University of Paris II, France
July 7–9, 1997

Social Activities: a welcome cocktail party hosted by the Institut de Recherche en Propriété Intellectuelle Henri-Desbois, a gourmet luncheon at Teatre Salon (given by Comité Interprofessionnel des Vins de Champagne), a winery tour of the Caves of Moët & Chandon, a visit to the Rheims Cathédrale and a farewell dinner at the Senate Salon in the Palais du Luxembourg (the home of the French Senate)

Elected Officers: Horacio Rangel-Ortiz (President), François Dessemontet (President Elect), Kingsley Ampofo (Ghana) (ExComm Member), Donald Chisum (ExComm Member), Ysolde Gendreau (ExComm Member), S.K. Verma (India) (ExComm Member), Zheng Chengsi (China) (ExComm Member), Theo Bodewig (Treasurer) and André Françon (Past President)

17th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

School of Law, Universidad Panamericana, Mexico City
August 24–26, 1998

This meeting started with an “In Memoriam” tribute to the late Professor Friederich-Karl Beier, ATRIP’s founding president. The tribute was delivered by Professor David Rangel-Medina, another founding father of ATRIP.

Participants: approximately 100 participants and accompanying persons from 36 countries from 4 continents

Social Activities: a reception at the library of the Rangel Family, a reception at the Franz Mayer Museum (hosted by the Mexican Group of the International Association for the Protection of Industrial Property (AIPPI)), a recital at the concert hall of the Museo de El Carmen in South Mexico City (with Mexican soprano Irasema Terrazas and Mexican pianist Jesús Herrera), a reception at the patios and gardens of the Museo de El Carmen (hosted by François Curchod, WIPO Deputy Director General at that time), a reception at the Museo Nacional de Arte (hosted by Professors Bernardo Gomez Vega and Horacio Rangel-Ortiz)

18th Annual Meeting of ATRIP

WIPO, Geneva, Switzerland
July 7–9, 1999

Participants: approximately 110 participants and accompanying persons from 40 countries from 4 continents

Elected Officers: François Dessemontet (President), S.K. Verma (President Elect), Kingsley Ampofo (ExComm Member), William Fryer III (ExComm Member), Ysolde Gendreau (ExComm Member), Bojan Pretnar (ExComm Member), Feer Verkade (The Netherlands) (ExComm Member), Zheng Chengsi (ExComm Member), Annette Kur (Germany) (Treasurer) and Horacio Rangel-Ortiz (Past President)

19th ATRIP Congress

Santorini, Greece
September 17–19, 2000

Local Host: Irini Stamatoudi

Participants: approximately over 150 members and guests

Publication: François Dessemontet and Raphaël Gani (eds), *Creative Ideas for Intellectual Property: The ATRIP Papers 2000–2001* (Lausanne: CEDIDAC, 2002)

Social Activities: a performance of opera aria at sunset over the crater

20th ATRIP Congress

University of Lausanne, Switzerland

September 19–21, 2001

This congress was held the week after the US terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. As a result, ATRIP members from the United States were unable to attend the event. Members attending the ATRIP Congress sent a heartfelt message of sympathy to their US colleagues.

Publication: François Dessemontet and Raphaël Gani (eds), *Creative Ideas for Intellectual Property: The ATRIP Papers 2000–2001* (Lausanne: CEDIDAC, 2002)

Elected Officers: S.K. Verma (President), Ysolde Gendreau (President Elect), Kingsley Ampofo (ExComm Member), William Fryer III (ExComm Member), Luis Mariano Genovesi (Argentina) (ExComm Member), Gustavo Ghidini (Italy) (ExComm Member), Jean-Louis Goutal (France) (ExComm Member), Bojan Pretnar (ExComm Member), Jan Rosén (Sweden) (ExComm Member), Katsuya Tamai (Japan) (ExComm Member), Annette Kur (Treasurer) and François Dessemontet (Past President)

21st ATRIP Congress

New Delhi, India

October 6–8, 2002

This congress was the first ever ATRIP Congress in Asia. The event was organised by the Indian Law Institute and supported by the Indian Ministry of Human Resource Development and the Indian Ministry of Communication and Information Technology.

Participants: 120 participants from 40 countries

Publication: S.K. Verma and Raman Mittal (eds), *Intellectual Property Rights—A Global Vision* (New Delhi: Indian Law Institute, 2004)

Social Activities: a guided tour of Agra (including visits to Taj Mahal, Agra Fort and Sikandra)

22nd ATRIP Congress

Tokyo, Japan

August 4–6, 2003

Local Host: Professor Katsuya Tamai

Publication: S.K. Verma and Raman Mittal (eds), *Intellectual Property Rights—A Global Vision* (New Delhi: Indian Law Institute, 2004)

Social Activities: a reception at the Library Cafe and a banquet in the Tower Hall in Roppongi Academy Hills

Elected Officers: Ysolde Gendreau (President), Gustavo Ghidini (President Elect), Adebambo Adewopo (Nigeria) (ExComm Member), Luis Mariano Genovesi (ExComm Member), Jean-Louis Goutal (ExComm Member), Willem Grosheide (The Netherlands) (ExComm Member), Charles McManis (United States) (ExComm Member), Jan Rosén (ExComm Member), Katsuya Tamai (ExComm Member), Annette Kur (Treasurer) and S.K. Verma (Past President)

23rd ATRIP Congress

Utrecht University, The Netherlands
July 26–28, 2004

Local Host: Professor Willem Grosheide

Publication: Willem Grosheide and Jan J. Brinkhof (eds), *Articles on Crossing Borders between Traditional and Actual* (Belgium: Intersentia, 2005)

Social Activities: optional post-meeting excursions to The Hague, Delft, Park “De Hoge Veluwe” or Rotterdam

24th ATRIP Congress

University of Montreal, Canada
July 11–13, 2005

Theme: “Intellectual Property: Bridging Aesthetics and Economics”

Publication: Ysolde Gendreau (ed.), *Propriété Intellectuelle: Entre L’art et L’argent / Intellectual Property: Bridging Aesthetics and Economics* (Montreal: Editions Témis, 2006)

Social Activities: a dinner reception hosted by the law firm of Fasken Martineau, a visit to the Notre-Dame Basilica of Montreal (featuring the show “And Then There Was Light”) and an optional post-meeting visit to see the “High Renaissance Art in Florence” exhibition and to the gardens of Rideau Hall, the Governor General’s residence

Elected Officers: Gustavo Ghidini (President), Annette Kur (President Elect), Kingsley Ampofo (ExComm Member), François Curchod (France) (ExComm Member), Luis Mariano Genovesi (ExComm Member), Willem Grosheide (ExComm Member), Charles McManis (ExComm Member), Jan Rosén (ExComm Member), Xue Hong (China) (ExComm Member), Annette Kur (Treasurer) and Ysolde Gendreau (Past President)

25th ATRIP Congress

Parma, Italy
September 4–6, 2006

Theme: “Intellectual Property and Market Power (I)”

Publication: Gustavo Ghidini and Luis Mariano Genovesi (eds), *Intellectual Property and Market Power—ATRIP Papers 2006–2007* (Buenos Aires: University of Buenos Aires, 2008)

Social Activities: a visit to the old city centre in Parma, a dinner reception at the restaurant La Corale Verdi, a gala dinner reception at Romani Restaurant in Vicomero di Torrile, and an optional post-meeting tour of the Castles of the Duchy of Parma and Piacenza

26th ATRIP Congress

University of Buenos Aires, Argentina
July 16–18, 2007

Local Host: Professor Luis Mariano Genovesi

Theme: “Intellectual Property and Market Power (II)”

Publication: Gustavo Ghidini and Luis Mariano Genovesi (eds), *Intellectual Property and Market Power—ATRIP Papers 2006–2007* (Buenos Aires: University of Buenos Aires, 2008)

Elected Officers: Annette Kur (President), Jan Rosén (President Elect), Andrew Christie (Australia) (ExComm Member), François Curchod (ExComm Member), Luis Mariano Genovesi (ExComm Member), Willem Grosheide (ExComm Member), John Kiggundu (Botswana) (ExComm Member), Charles McManis (ExComm Member), Xue Hong (ExComm Member), Alexander Peukert (Germany) (Treasurer) and Gustavo Ghidini (Past President)

27th ATRIP Congress

Justizpalast, Munich, Germany
July 21–23, 2008

This congress brought ATRIP Members back to Munich 25 years after the late Professor Friederich-Karl Beier of the Max Planck Institute hosted the association's second annual meeting.

Theme: “Can One Size Fit All?”

Publication: Annette Kur and Vytautas Mizaras (eds), *The Structure of Intellectual Property Law: Can One Size Fit All?* (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2011)

Social Activities: a reception at the Max Planck Institute, a reception hosted by the City of Munich, a reception hosted by the European Patent Office and a dinner at restaurant Bamberger Haus

28th ATRIP Congress

University of Vilnius, Lithuania
September 13–16, 2009

Local Host: Dean Vytautas Nekrošius

Theme: “Horizontal Issues in Intellectual Property Law: Uncovering the Matrix”

Publication: Annette Kur and Vytautas Mizaras (eds), *The Structure of Intellectual Property Law: Can One Size Fit All?* (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2011)

Social Activities: a dinner reception at the Vilnius City Hall, a banquet in Shakespeare Boutique Hotel and a guided tour of Trakai (including a visit to the historic Trakai Island Castle)

Elected Officers: Jan Rosén (President), Graeme Dinwoodie (United Kingdom) (President Elect), Andrew Christie (ExComm Member), José Antonio Gómez Segade (Spain) (ExComm Member), John Kiggundu (ExComm Member), Christian Le Stanc (France) (ExComm Member), Alberto Musso (Italy) (ExComm Member), Tana Pistorius (South Africa) (ExComm Member), Xue Hong (ExComm Member), Alexander Peukert (Treasurer) and Annette Kur (Past President)

29th ATRIP Congress

Stockholm University, Sweden
May 23–26, 2010

Theme: “Individualism and Collectiveness in Intellectual Property Law”

Publication: Jan Rósen (ed.), *Individualism and Collectiveness in Intellectual Property Law* (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2012)

Social Activities: a dinner buffet reception at the Stockholm City Hall, a waterways tour and dinner on board steamer MS Gustafsberg VII and a tour of the Frescati Gardens

30th ATRIP Congress

National University of Singapore
July 25–27, 2011

Local Host: Professors David Llewellyn and Ng-Loy Wee Loon

Theme: “Intellectual Property Law at the Crossroads of Trade”

Publication: Jan Rósen (ed.), *Intellectual Property at the Crossroads of Trade* (Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing, 2012)

Scheduled Social Activities: a gala dinner at the Pod in the National Library (with a panoramic view of Singapore), a bum boat tour of the Singapore River and a Peranakan dinner

Elected Officers: Graeme Dinwoodie (President), Tana Pistorius (South Africa) (President Elect), Susy Frankel (New Zealand) (ExComm Member), Daniel Gervais (United States) (ExComm Member), José Antonio Gómez Segade (ExComm Member), Christian Le Stanc (ExComm Member), Alberto Musso (ExComm Member), Ng-Loy Wee Loon (Singapore) (ExComm Member), Jens Schovsbo (Denmark) (ExComm Member), Alexander Peukert (Germany) (Treasurer) and Jan Rosén (Past President)

31st ATRIP Congress

Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago, United States
July 29–August 1, 2012

Theme: “Intellectual Property: Methods and Perspectives”

Social Activities: a dinner reception at the Chicago Cultural Center and an architectural boat cruise

32nd ATRIP Congress

Pembroke College, Oxford, United Kingdom
June 23–26, 2013

Theme: “Is Intellectual Property a *Lex Specialis*?”

Social Activities: a dinner reception at Pitt Rivers Museum and a formal dinner featuring Lord Justice Mummery of the Court of Appeal (England and Wales)