

INTERNATIONALE FÖDERATION VON PATENTANWÄLTEN

Resolution Tracking July 2020

We are addressing you today in connection with the topic of how we track what happens with the individual resolutions once passed by the delegates and to preserve this information. As you know, it takes a lot of work, e.g. from CET groups, commissions, individual FICPI members etc. to draft a resolution and present it to the delegates. It also requires a considerable amount of work to get a resolution approved by the delegates. A resolution is therefore a valuable result of the work of many members of FICPI. It is essential we use these resolutions when advocating for our profession and for the IP world.

Therefore, we agreed on the following points during the workshop before the ExCo in Turin:

- We need a more systematic procedure within FICPI to know what happens after the approval of a resolution, to ensure the position is being conveyed to all appropriate individuals and bodies.
- We have to put more effort into the practical use of the resolutions, namely by rely on these for advocacy
- We always want to know how the work evolved and where the topic can be traced back to
- We always want to identify to whom the resolution should be distributed
- We always want to identify what happened with the resolution after approval

Our suggestion now is to use one Google Folder for each calendar year or for each ExCo with multiple Google Sheets for each resolution. Originally, this Google Folder should be integrated into the FICPI website, but this is not easily possible. Therefore, we are now starting without integration into the FICPI website and without clarifying who has access to these documents.

Please follow the link to a Google Sheet folder which concerns all resolutions of the Virtual ExCo:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1kxEMwmLHBcg5jOgzcC-Zu2iQbEd7dcFbh61YLFcSQ28/edit?usp=sharing

Now we need your cooperation!

The basic idea of this Resolution Tracking Folders is that every FICPI Officer notes when and which resolution was handed over and/or presented by him to whom, in which context and/or in an article.

We, therefore, ask all FICPI Officers who have been on official visits for FICPI (e.g. Asia Tour, Singapore, EPO, visits of IP Offices, like USPTO) or presented at any occasion a Turin resolution to make an entry in the Resolution Tracking Folder.

We have already entered your email address to the Google Folder so that you can edit the Google Sheets. If someone wants to access the Google Sheets under a different email address, please contact us at: <u>uwe.borchert@ficpi.com</u>.

If you have any suggestions for improving the template, please send your suggestion to this email address as well.

Thank you for your cooperation.