



FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES CONSEILS
EN PROPRIÉTÉ INDUSTRIELLE

Brussels, July 19th, 1993.

Dear Colleague,

FICPI, in association with THE COLLEGIO ITALIANO DEI CONSULENTI IN PROPRIETA INDUSTRIALE, is proud to announce its first OPEN FORUM to be held in Rome on November 10 - 13, 1993.

This FORUM will be OPEN in many respects :

- First of all, FICPI shall be pleased to welcome our colleagues from Industry as well as those in private practice : members of FICPI and non-members alike.
- Secondly, the programme is in the "Multiple-Choice" format :
Three series of seven topics of current interest will be presented concurrently in English. Two series will be devoted to patents, utility models, software matters and one will be concerned with trademarks, designs and geographical indications.
You, the delegate, will have the choice to attend during each session, the seminar which most interests you.
- Thirdly, we have invited to this FORUM a number of very prestigious and knowledgeable speakers. They will be either FICPI members or not, the latter from Industry or from Governmental Bodies (WIPO, EC Commission, etc ...).
Since the speakers are requested to use less than half of the time for formal presentations, ample time will be left for questions, comments and discussion. Prepare what you want to say or what you want to ask.
- Finally, ample time is set aside for informal gatherings : coffee and tea breaks, receptions, lunches, dinners and excursion.
This gives delegates the opportunity to get to know each other and to exchange views on the rapidly changing scene of Worldwide Intellectual Property.

The provisional programme is enclosed together with a registration form and administrative details.

May we recommend that you register early since the number of seats is limited due to hotel capacity in Rome.

The definitive programme will be mailed in August with the list of speakers.

We look forward to the pleasure of meeting you in Rome.

Sincerely yours,

Jacques Gevers,
Fabrizio de Benedetti,
Organizers of the FICPI FORUM

Helmut Sonn,
President of FICPI

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

FICPI FORUM - ROME - NOVEMBER 10-13, 1993

Wednesday 10 November Evening	Welcome Cocktail		
Thursday 11 November 9.00 10.30 COFFEE BREAK	[11] PATENTS - EC Language Problems for Patenting in Europe.	[21] PATENTS - INT Quo Vadis Patent Harmonization.	[31] TM / DESIGNS National Trademark Laws under the influence of the EC.
11.00	[12] The utility of Utility Models in the EC.	[22] The protection of software.	[32] Do we gain or suffer from the Trademark Harmonizing Treaty?
12.30 LUNCH	[13] Practical problems with Supplementary Protection Certificates.	[23] The development of PCT - a vehicle for harmonization?	[33] The development of Design Rights.
15.45 COFFEE BREAK	[14] The conflict between industrial standards and patents.	[24] Electronic filing - would EASY make life easier?	[34] The practical effects of the Protocol to the Madrid Agreement.
Friday 12 November 9.00 10.30 COFFEE BREAK	[15] Patenting biotechnological inventions in the EC.	[25] Patent Protection under the GATT umbrella.	[35] The special protection of famous marks.
11.00	[16] Changes in Patent and Know-How Licensing in the EC.	[26] Are industrial standards for patent claim interpretation feasible?	[36] Geographical Denominations in conflict with trademarks.
12.30 LUNCH	[17] Claim interpretation in EPC countries - a comparative study.	[27] Arbitration in patent conflicts.	[37] Can counterfeiting be effectively stopped?
20.00 RECEPTION & DINNER			
Saturday 13 November 9.00-17.00	Excursion		

ADMINISTRATION

DATES	Wednesday Nov. 10, 1993	: Arrival date
	Thursday Nov. 11, 1993	: 1st Conference day
	Friday Nov. 12, 1993	: 2nd Conference day
	Saturday Nov. 13, 1993	: Excursion

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Via Veneto 125
I-00187 Rome
ITALY
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FEE & PAYMENT

Fees are clearly stated on the *Registration Form* and are payable in advance.

The Conference fee includes the total cost of the programme, the documentation, the cocktail party on Nov. 10, lunches, coffee breaks and dinners on Nov. 11 & 12.

The Excursion fee includes the costs of the excursion (guides, entrance fees, etc.) and of the lunch on Saturday, Nov. 13.

The *Accompanying Persons' fee* includes the welcome cocktail party on Nov. 10, lunches and dinners on Nov. 11 & 12 and a full day excursion on Nov. 11.

CANCELLATIONS, REFUNDS & SUBSTITUTIONS

Cancellations must be requested in writing

Refunds will be made as follows :

- up to Oct. 1, 100% of the registration fee
- between Oct. 2 and Nov. 1, 50% of the registration fee
- after Nov. 1, registrations are considered final and no refunds can be made.

Substitutions can be made at any time at no extra charge.

HOTEL ACCOMODATION

Hotel charges should be paid directly to the hotel on departure.

A hotel room may be booked by using *our Registration Form* OR independently.

If a hotel booking has been made by FICPI on your behalf, full hotel details will be sent to you with our *Registration Confirmation Invoice*.

EXCURSION

An Excursion for delegates and accompanying persons will be organised on Nov. 13, 1993. This will consist essentially in a guided tour of some of the marvels of Rome and will include lunch.

We will leave the hotels at 9:00 and return to the hotels no later than 17:00 hrs.

This excursion will give delegates a further opportunity to come to know each other and discuss matters of mutual interest.

REGISTRATION FORM

For your convenience, the *Registration and Hotel Forms* are combined.

The hotel prices quoted include Service and Tax. They should be paid directly to the hotel on departure.

Surname _____ Initials _____

Company/Firm _____

Position _____

Address _____

_____ Postal code _____

Tel: _____ Fax: _____

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PLEASE REGISTER THE ABOVE FOR :

- Attending the Forum**
 - registration before Oct. 2, 1993 : CHF 1,200 _____
 - registration after Oct. 1, 1993 : CHF 1,300 _____
- Accompanying Person's Programme**
 - Number of persons x CHF 600 = _____
- Excursion, Nov. 13, 1993**
 - Number of persons x CHF 150 = _____

Total CHF (Swiss Francs) =====

- A cheque made payable to FICPI is enclosed.
- I am transferring the above total amount to the account # 0596-547515-10 of FICPI with CREDIT SUISSE, CH-4153 Reinach, Switzerland.
- Please reserve at the *Rome Excelsior Hotel* *******
 - A single room at Lit. 298.000
 - A double room at Lit. 404.000
- Please reserve at the *Boston or Savoy Hotel* ******
 - A single room at Lit. 190.000
 - A double room at Lit. 240.000
- Please reserve at the *Alexandra Hotel* *****
 - A single room at Lit. 120.000
 - A double room at Lit. 190.000

For the nights of: Wed. Nov. 10 Fri. Nov. 12
 Thur. Nov. 11 Sat. Nov. 13

FORUM ORGANIZATION

I wish to attend the following seminars.

(Please tick any seminar of interest to you, even if they run simultaneously. This is for our administrative information only. You will not be bound during the FORUM by your selection).

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Signature

Date

Please return this registration form to:

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