



JUNE 14-17 STOCKHOLM, SWEDEN

UNION-IP Congress 2023

An IP Climate Forecast

Welcome to Stockholm!

Due to the pandemic, UNION-IP was unable to proceed with the wonderful plans we had for a Congress in Antibes 2020. But now, it is finally time for UNION-IP to organize a Congress once again, and it is my absolute pleasure to welcome the IP community to the capital of Sweden. Situated on the east coast of Sweden, on a set of islands stretching into the Baltic Sea, Stockholm is acknowledged as a very beautiful capital, with something to offer every visitor.

The title of this Congress is “An IP Climate Forecast”, and the working commissions of UNION-IP have, as always, prepared an extensive and high-level program. During the Congress, we will learn how the IP institutions of Europe, its practitioners and its users view the challenges ahead. The IP climate in Europe is clearly influenced by global climate challenges, but also by fundamental changes to its structure.

During the first day, we will hear key-note addresses from the main European IP institutions, including the Unified Patent Court. And in the following program a series of plenary sessions and workshops will elaborate on strategic and tactic issues in the new climate.

The social program will present cultural highlights from Stockholm. The gala dinner will be a very special experience, served under the bow of the famous Vasa warship, and the Saturday excursion will offer a visit to Birka, the original settlement of Stockholm.

I look forward to seeing you in Stockholm!



Fabian Edlund
President of UNION-IP





The Venue

Hotel Hasselbacken & Pop House Hotel, Island of Djurgården

- Beautiful surroundings
- Numerous attractions next door
- 10 min by tram from central station
- Reach Old Town by tram or ferry

The Congress day-by-day

Wednesday, June 14

- 09.00 – 10.30 Commission meetings
- 11.00 – 17.00 Exco meeting (by invitation only)
- 19.00 Welcome Dinner

Thursday, June 15

- 09.30 – 18.00 Congress Day 1
- 18.30 – 19.30 Get together, Young Professionals
- 19.00 Speakers dinner (by invitation only)

Friday, June 16

- 09.30 – 11.00 General assembly (by invitation only)
- 11.30 – 16.00 Congress Day 2
- 19.00 Gala dinner at The Vasa Museum

Saturday June 17

- 09.30 – 16.00 Excursion

Congress Day 1 **Thursday, June 15**

09:30 – 09:40 Opening statement: Fabian Edlund, President UNION-IP / Lind.Edlund.Kenamets. (SE)

09:40 – 11:00 Plenary Session:

Keynote speakers on actual topics

Moderator: Reinier Wijnstra, VP UNION-IP / WijnstraWise Patents (NL)

Speakers: António Campinos, President (EPO)
Alexander Ramsay, former Chairman Administrative Committee (UPC)
Edward Kwakwa, Assistant Director General (WIPO)
Kamil Kiljanski, Deputy Director IP, DG Internal Market and Industry (EC)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Plenary Session:

The new revolution for IP: sustainable solutions – what are they and how can they be protected
“Green” technologies can cover a wide area, but how can it be defined in terms of IP and what is being done to encourage its protection?

Moderator: David Pearce, VP Patents Commission UNION-IP / Barker Brettell (GB)

Speakers: Niclas Ugglä, Head of IP, Heart Aerospace (SE)
Barbara Caputo, Professor, Politecnico di Torino (IT)
Phil Thorpe, deputy director of the UK IPO (GB)
Le Anh Ma, Battery and IP expert, Altris AB

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 Parallel workshops

A: Ownership of AI-generated works

Who is the author or inventor of creations or inventions produced by Artificial Intelligence in the fields of copyright, designs and patents?

Moderator: Virginia Driver, Page White & Farrer (GB)

Speakers to be announced

B: For your eyes only – when do words come into play in European design law?

When determining the subject matter of a design right, words don't matter, but when determining the subject matter of prior art, they do!

Moderator: Véronique Pede, Cape IP (BE)

Speakers: Giorgio Checcacci, VP Designs Commission UNION-IP / Checcacci Partners (IT)
Henning Hartwig, President Designs Comm. UNION-IP / Bardehle Pagenberg (DE)
Representative of General Court of the EU (TBA)

16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

16:30 – 18:00 Parallel workshops

A: Preliminary injunctions at the Unified Patent Court

The urgent proceedings of the future

Moderators: Joana Santos, VP Patents Commission UNION-IP / Vieira de Alma (PT)
Johann Pitz, VP Litigation Commission UNION-IP / Vossius&Partner (DE)

Speakers: Klaus Grabinski, Judge, Federal Court of Justice (DE)
Sam Granata, Judge, Court of Appeal Antwerp (BE)
Justice Brian O'Moore, Judge Commercial Court (IE)
Andrea Postiglione, Judge, Enterprise Specialised Section of the Rome Court (IT)

B: Protection and enforcement of trademarks “in” the Metaverse

How to protect your trademarks for electronic goods sold online in the Metaverse and how to combat infringements of your trademarks in the Metaverse

Moderators: Alkisti-Irene Malamis, Malamis & Associates (GR)
Philipe Kutschke, Bardehle Pagenberg (DE)

Speakers: Lars Meinhardt, Presiding Judge, Higher Regional Court Munich (DE)
Additional speakers to be announced

Congress Day 2 **Friday, June 16**

09:30 – 11:00 General Assembly (for UNION-IP members only)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00 Parallel workshops

A: Utility models as a strategic tool: different path across Europe

Utility Model protection is available in several, but not all, European countries. This relatively unknown type of protection will be discussed with a view on strategy and harmonization.

Moderator: Rui Gomes, President Patents Commission UNION-IP / J. Pereira da Cruz (PT)

Speakers: Isaac Rutenberg, Head Legislative, Policy and Technology Advice Section (WIPO)
Kamil Kiljanski, Deputy Director IP, DG Internal Market and Industry (EC)
Christiane Schweizer, K&L Gates (DE)
Pedro Saturio, Elzaburu (ES)

B: The requirement of “plausibility” of a technical effect in life science patents

An attempt at solving the problem of sufficiently enabling inventive step

Moderator: Gareth Morgan, President Life Sciences Commission UNION-IP / Pinsent Masons (GB)

Speakers: Magdalena Pregetter, Technical Board of Appeal 3.3.01 (EPO)
Jan B. Kraus, Boehmert&Boehmert (DE)

13:00 – 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 16:00 Plenary Session:

The new revolution for IP: sustainable solutions – how to enforce their protection

The new revolution for IP includes new phenomena and new technologies, which play a leading role in the future of our world. A new manner of thinking about enforcement is required for all IP players. We will discuss traditional and unconventional enforcement strategies in and out of Court.

Moderator: Monia Baccarelli, President Litigation Comm. UNION-IP/Macchi di Cellere Gangemi (IT)

Speakers: Sam Granata, Judge, Court of Appeal Antwerp (BE)
Klaus Grabinski, Judge, Federal Court of Justice (DE)
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Accompanying person program

Wednesday, June 14

- Abba museum
- Lunch at Blå Porten
- Liljevalchs art exhibition

Thursday, June 15

- Butterfly house
- Lunch at Koppartälten
- Wine tasting at Winery Hotel

Friday, June 16

- Guided tour at Old Town
- Lunch
- Guided tour at The Royal Castle





Social program

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- Get together, Young professionals

Friday, June 16 – Gala dinner

- Vasa museum, a salvaged 17th century warship
- Guided tour
- Dinner under the bow of the ship

Saturday, June 17 – Excursion

- Boat to Birka (original settlement of Stockholm)
- Refreshments on board
- Guided tour of Birka
- Lunch at Restaurant Birka



On-line registration opens Jan. 15, 2023

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Registration fees (Euro)

Complete details available at the on-line registration

	Early Bird (until Feb 28)	Regular (until April 30)	Late arrival (after May 1)	On-line attendance** (one-way)
Member	950	1150	1250	450
Non-member	1200*	1400*	1500	600
Accompanying person	750	900	1000	–
Gala Dinner	150	150	150	–
Sat. Excursion	125	125	125	–

*100 Euro reduction if you apply for membership when registering ** Subject to availability