



17th LEGAL AFFAIRS CONFERENCE

HILTON MALTA HOTEL, MALTA

12-13 JUNE 2023

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Monday 12 June 2023

18:00



Registration & Welcome Drinks

18:50



Welcome Address: **Adrian van den Hoven**, Director General, Medicines for Europe

19:00



Dinner Session I – Pharmaceutical Legislation Review: are incentives fit to achieve timely access?

Chair: Catherine Drew, Patent and regulatory Life sciences & health Specialist, Pinsent Masons
Panelists

- **Florian Schmidt**, Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission
- **Marcin Rodzinka-Verhelle**, EU Policy Adviser, Comité Permanent des Médecins Européens Standing Committee of European Doctors (CPME)
- **Ancel-la Santos**, Senior Health Policy Officer, BEUC
- **Dimitri Eynikel**, EU Policy and Advocacy Advisor, Médecins Sans Frontières
- **George Moore**, Assistant General Counsel, Europe IP, Ex-NA IP Litigation, Viatrix

Questions & Answers

20:00



Networking Dinner

Tuesday 13 June 2023

08:30



Networking Coffee

09:00



Welcome: **Sergio Napolitano**, General Counsel & External Relations Director, Medicines for Europe

09:05



Keynote Speech: **Paul Csiszár**, Director, DG Competition, European Commission

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Session II – The interplay between IP, Competition & Sustainability of Healthcare Systems: quality, patent linkage, preliminary injunctions & compensation claims

Chair: **Stijn de Jong**, Senior Associate, Stibbe N. B.

Opening remarks: **Steve Rowan**, Vice President, European Patent Office

Panelists

- **Ellen 't Hoen**, Director Medicines Law & Policy
- **Karin Pramberger**, Head of IP, Polpharma Group
- **Andreas Schillack**, Head Legal Europe, Sandoz
- **Kristin Cooklin**, Head of IP, Zentiva

Questions & Answers

10:15



Networking Coffee Break

10:45



Session III – 45-Minute Roundtable Discussions (x2)

Delegates may attend two of the discussion tables below for a period of 45 minutes per session:

1. Ethics & Code of Conduct: fostering a culture of compliance
Moderator: **Ann Keelan**, Director Compliance & Ethics, Teva
Co-moderator: **Natasha Liston Williams**, Head of Compliance Europe, Global Compliance, Viatrix
2. Regulatory Protection Updates
Moderator: **Kristof Roox**, Partner, Crowell & Moring LLP
Co-moderator: **Christopher Dumont**, Associate, Crowell & Moring LLP
3. A focus on competition policies and antitrust challenges
Moderator: **Stijn de Jong**, Senior Associate, Stibbe N. B.
4. The UPC: where do we stand?
Moderator: **Imre Gonda**, Director, Legal and Intellectual Property Department, Gedeon Richter
Co-moderator: **Jurgen Figys**, Counsel, Crowell & Moring LLP
5. Alternative Dispute Resolutions – Arbitration & Litigation
Moderator: **Agnieszka Deeg-Tyburska**, General Counsel, Polpharma
Co-moderator: **Maciej Jamka**, Partner, DWF Poland Jamka sp.k.
6. Patent Quality in the EU & US: a worrying parallelism
Moderator: **Corinna Sundermann**, Senior Vice President, IP Management, Fresenius Kabi
Co-moderator: **Rachel Goode**, Senior Vice President, Head of Legal & IP, Biopharmaceuticals, Fresenius Kabi
7. Plausibility
Co-moderator: **Petra Bohanec Grabar**, Group Head, IP, IP Small Molecules, Sandoz International GmbH
Co-moderator: **Joshua Cravigan**, Senior Patent Attorney, Viatrix
8. New Incentives for Value Added Medicines
Moderator: **Saufung Ma**, Accord Healthcare

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9. Payor's compensation: an in-depth analysis

Moderators: **Charlotte Weekes** and **Judith Krens**, Pinsent Masons

Co-moderator: **Alpha Indraccolo**, VP and General Counsel, European IP and Regulatory Litigation, TEVA

12:30



Networking Buffet Lunch

14:00



Keynote Address: **Professor Anthony Serracino Inglott**, Chair of the Medicines Authority of Malta

14:10



Session IV – Supplementary Protection Certificate (SPC)

14:10

a) **The Unitary SPC and the Unified System for Granting National SPCs**

Chair: **Nora Wessendorf**, Attorney at Law, Taylor Wessing

Panelists

- **Roberto Romandini**, Legal Member of the Boards of Appeal of the European Patent Office
- **Martijn de Lange**, Patent Examiner, Netherlands Patent Office
- **Denis Dambois**, DG GROW, European Commission
- **Sven J. R. Bostyn**, Associate Professor of Innovation Law, University of Copenhagen
- **Elizabeth Wright**, Associate General Counsel, European IP and Regulatory Litigation, TEVA
- **Imre Gonda**, Director, Legal and Intellectual Property Department, Gedeon Richter
- **Marleen van den Horst**, Attorney at law/Partner, La Gro Geelkerken Advocaten

Questions & Answers

15:10

b) **The SPC Manufacturing Waiver: the industry stock-taking exercise**

Chair: **Kristof Roox**, Partner, Crowell & Moring LLP

Panelists

- **Victor van de Wiele**, University of Cambridge
- **Denis Dambois**, DG GROW, European Commission
- **Corinna Sundermann**, Senior Vice President, IP Management, Fresenius Kabi
- **Alexander Ott**, Senior Patent Attorney, Sandoz

Questions & Answers

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Session V – A General Counsel Exchange: Where is the industry heading?

Chair: Adrian van den Hoven, Director General, Medicines for Europe

Panelists

- **Agnieszka Deeg-Tyburska**, General Counsel, Polpharma
- **Ana Marti**, General Counsel & IP, Medichem
- **Mark Ferguson**, General Counsel Europe, Viatrix
- **Julia Pike**, Global Head of IP, Sandoz

Questions & Answers

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Closing Speech: **Sergio Napolitano**, General Counsel & External Relations Director, Medicines for Europe

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End-of-Conference Drinks

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