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Foreword

The MIPLC Managing Board



Prof. Josef Drexl
Chair Managing Board,
Chair Study and
Examination Board



Prof. Christoph Ann
Managing Board, Study
and Examination Board

As the designated author of this Annual Report's foreword, I am glad to be able to state at the very outset that MIPLC continues to be a cooperation of great success. Over the last eight years our Center has not only continued to flourish, but more importantly: MIPLC has maintained and with regard to its research activities even increased its momentum. Both make us proud!

Our biggest asset remains our international student body. There are few things as rewarding for a teacher as interacting with an audience that pretty much represents the world. With a student body of 31 from 19 countries in 2010/11, MIPLC is one of the few institutions worldwide that lives up to this vision of creating an international academic community.

Not only do our students have diverse backgrounds, they are also exceptionally bright and flourish in MIPLC's rigorous academic environment. It gives us immense pleasure to report that the students of the 2010/11 class produced extraordinarily strong theses, many of which were chosen for publication in the MIPLC's Nomos book series or on SSRN. Given our academic expectations, this development has particularly satisfied and reassured us. At the same time, the career paths chosen by our alumni, whether it be joining highly reputable firms or pursuing academic careers, reinforce our belief that our program and its content provide a

broad knowledge base and skill-set which meets the needs of the entire IP job market.

In 2010/11 the MIPLC continued to send students to the annual EIPIN Congress giving them the opportunity to meet fellow students from the other EIPIN partner universities and to compare skill levels, as well as enjoy the hospitality and sights of the hosting institutions in Strasbourg and Alicante. MIPLC is very excited to host an EIPIN conference in the academic year 2011/12. We also have taken the lead in overhauling the EIPIN website, which was relaunched with an entirely new design and updated content.

In addition to the academic networking taking place within EIPIN, MIPLC continues to bridge the gap between legal scholarship and legal practice. We, therefore, were glad to see several of our students participate in the joint conference that the German Section of the Licensing Executives Society (LES), the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center, and the Federal Circuit Bar Association (FCBA) held on "Conflict Solution in Patent Disputes – Litigation, Arbitration, and Trans-Atlantic Comparisons" in the German PTO's beautiful new auditorium. I was honored to be included in the conference as a speaker alongside my fellow MIPLC faculty members Chief Judge Randall Rader, Professor Heinz Goddar, and Wolfgang von Meibom.



Prof. Robert Brauneis
Managing Board, Study
and Examination Board



Prof. Michael Kort
Managing Board, Study
and Examination Board



**Prof. Thomas M.J.
Möllers**
Study and Examination
Board, Scientific
Advisory Board

To stay ahead of the curve in the ever-changing IP world, we also expanded our LL.M. program, adding new courses and professors, our research activities (including said Nomos book and SSRN series) as well as our reach into the international IP community. In the latter, we continue to cooperate with leading courts, IP offices, and bar associations from across the world, including the Japan Patent Office, the Supreme Court of Japan, and the State Intellectual Property Office of China (SIPO).

Apart from curricular matters, there was also some movement “behind the scenes” in the ongoing organizational development of the MIPLC. In order to maintain our Center’s edge, we reorganized and streamlined its structures in 2010, limiting our boards to a Board of Trustees and a Scientific Advisory Board. Both will continue to advise on the LL.M. program and research activities of MIPLC. In addition, the Fachbeirat of the MPI for Intellectual Property and Competition Law will evaluate the research of the MIPLC within the scope of its overall assessment of MPI research endeavors.

Last but not least, it is with great pleasure and gratitude that we welcome the financial contributions that our sponsors have made or have pledged to make. At MIPLC, donations remain of critical importance because they enable us to create scholarships and other forms of

financial assistance for our students. Therefore, we extend our sincere thanks to all our supporters and donors – Bayer HealthCare Pharmaceuticals, DAAD, GIZ/MofCom, GRUR, IPR2 – and also to all of our professors who have chosen to donate their teaching honoraria, namely Professor Martin Adelman, Jack Barufka, Professor Heinz Goddar, Dr. Heinz Hammann, P. Jay Hines, Terrence McMahon, and Erik Wilbers.

Together with my esteemed colleagues I look forward to yet another year in the life of a project that will continue to be a story of extraordinary success.

*Professor Christoph Ann
Member of the MIPLC Managing Board*

1. Organizational and Personal Developments

The MIPLC Administrative Team



Seth I. Ericsson
Program Director



Dr. Gintarė Surblytė
Program Director
as of 06/2011



Dr. Nari Lee
Outgoing
Program Director

1.1. Awards and Nominations

Faculty

Professor Dan Burk received a German-American Fulbright Fellowship to do comparative research on biotechnology patenting in April 2011. The research was carried out at the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law from September 2011.

Professor Heinz Goddar was appointed Senior Advisor of the Tongji Global Intellectual Property Institute (Shanghai) and an Adjunct Professor and an Honorable Consultant in International Legal Services at the National Yunlin University of Science and Technology, Yunlin, Taiwan.

Professor Justin Hughes, the head of the United States delegation in negotiations at WIPO's Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights, was elected Chairman of a Preparatory Committee meeting at WIPO for the 2012 Diplomatic Conference on the Protection of Audiovisual Performances.

Professor F. Scott Kieff was elected as a member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, section Social Sciences, Law and Economics.

Professor Thomas M.J. Möllers was elected a regular member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, section Social Sciences, Law and Economics in March 2011. He was nominated for the

Academia Europaea, section Law in October 2011. His Augsburg Summer Program on European and International Economic Law was accredited by the American Bar Association (ABA) in June/July 2011.

Professor Angela Poech received a "Best Paper Award" at the 22nd Meeting of the Association for Global Business, New Orleans, USA (co-authored with Professor Thomas Peisl).

For his scientific achievements, Professor Joseph Straus was awarded the recognition "Ambassador of Science of the Republic of Slovenia" by the Government of the Republic of Slovenia.

Dr. Verena von Bomhard received the "Women in Business Law Awards 2011 – Best in Trademarks" from the Legal Media Group in June 2011.

Alumni

Eliamani Laltaika, Class of 2008, was invited as one of the Key Speakers at the WIPO Evaluation Seminar 2011 "Learning from the Impact of Intellectual Property on Development," which took place in Geneva on October 6–7, 2011. He presented on "Effects of WIPO's Creative Heritage Project on the Welfare of the Maasai Community."

1.2. Staff

On June 15, 2011, Dr. Gintarė Surblytė joined the MIPLC as Program Director.

Dr. Surblytė studied law at Vilnius University in Lithuania and also holds an LL.M. degree from Ludwig Maximilians University in Munich. In July 2011 she finished her Ph.D. studies at Ludwig Maximilians University, Munich, supported by scholarships from the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law as well as GRUR. In her doctoral thesis, supervised by Professor Drexl, Dr. Surblytė dealt with the topic of a refusal to disclose trade secrets as an abuse of market dominance based on the analysis of the European Microsoft case. The thesis was published in November 2011 as volume 28 of the Max Planck Institute's Munich Series on European and International Competition Law.

In June 2011, Anne Reichenberger joined the MIPLC as secretary. She replaced Andrea Schneider.

The MIPLC thanks Dr. Lee and Ms. Schneider for their support.

1.3. MIPLC Boards

Board of Trustees

The MIPLC was glad to welcome to its Board of Trustees the following new members:

Hiroshi Kawamata, Senior Director for Intellectual Property, JETRO, Düsseldorf;

Terrence McMahon, Partner, Head of



Margit Hinkel
Administrative Director



Julia Pracht
Administrative Director



Dagmar Klein
Administrative Assistant



Anne Reichenberger
Secretary
as of 06/2011



Andrea Schneider
Outgoing Secretary

the Worldwide Intellectual Property, Media and Technology Department, McDermott Will & Emery, Menlo Park (USA);

Dr. Michael Mihatsch, Senior Legal Secretary and Head of Division, Bavarian State Ministry for Research, Sciences and the Arts, Munich;

Wim Van der Eijk, Vice-President DG Legal and International Affairs, European Patent Office, Munich;

Dr. Jochen Volkmer, Head of Trademarks, BMW AG, Munich.

In addition, Professor Joachim Bornkamm (German Federal Supreme Court, Karlsruhe); Professor Winfried Büttner (Siemens AG, Munich); Dr. Bertram Huber (IP*SEVA, Backnang); and Shira Perlmutter (IFPI Secretariat, London, UK) remain on the Board of Trustees for another term of office.

The MIPLC would like to thank the former Board members Ron E. Myrick, Professor Kenneth W. Dam, Professor Manuel Desantes, Jürgen Großkreutz, Dr. Patrick Illinger, Professor Thomas D. Morgan, and Professor D.W. Feer Verkade for their support and cooperation.

Scientific Advisory Board

Due to the organizational changes at the Max Planck Institute (see below), Professor Reto M. Hilty replaced Professor Wolfgang Schön on the MIPLC Scientific Advisory Board as of January 1, 2011.

1.4. Partners

Effective January 1, 2011, the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property, Competition and Tax Law split into two separate institutes: the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law, headed by Professor Josef Drexl and Professor Reto M. Hilty, and the Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance, headed by Professor Wolfgang Schön and Professor Kai Konrad. The MIPLC remains under the supervision of Professor Drexl at the MPI for Intellectual Property and Competition Law.

1.5. Governance Structure

In 2010, a change in Bavarian laws applicable to universities necessitated a re-writing of the MIPLC Cooperation Agreement. In this context, the governance structure was changed. Most importantly, the MIPLC Fachbeirat was dissolved. As of 2011, the MIPLC is supervised by the Scientific Advisory Board (which will be enlarged to include a total of nine members, five of whom are external) and the Board of Trustees. Additional review of MIPLC-driven research endeavors is provided by the Fachbeirat of the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law.

1.6. PR and Marketing

In February 2011, the MIPLC launched its new website at www.miplc.de. In the preceding months, the website's content, structure, and functionalities had been completely overhauled, and its design adjusted to the MIPLC corporate identity.

The new website features an online application system and personalized intranet access for students, staff, and tutors. The website is also closely connected to the MIPLC's central database which allows for more efficient data processing, e.g. of program applications, as well as course selection or grade reporting for students.

In addition to the website, the MIPLC published a new LL.M. program brochure as well as concise flyers for prospective students and potential sponsors. All materials are available for download from our website or in print.

2. Cooperation with Other IP Institutions



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I love this year, I love MIPLC,
I love Munich!

Studying at the MIPLC was a very interesting and precious experience for me. I met the best professors, the best staff team as well as the best classmates here. They are all my best friends and families. I was greatly moved by their kindness and companionship. Within just one year in Munich, I not only gathered a lot of IP knowledge but also had many “first time” experiences of my life. I will always remember the first time I took an exam with my classmates from all over the world, the first time I enjoyed Christmas with the entire class, the first time I wrote a thesis in English, the first time I completed an internship in EPO... These and so many others left me such indelible and wonderful memories. Thank you, MIPLC!

Zhao Qing
China

What I especially
liked about the program:

“This is a serious, professional,
international and quality program.

(From the Program Evaluation)

Ever since its foundation, the MIPLC has worked to establish close cooperation with a variety of partners from all over the world. Synoptic summaries of events during the academic year are presented below, followed by a list of all partner institutions.

2.1. European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN)

As in previous years, the members of the European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN) cooperated closely in the framework of the 12th EIPIN Congress (see section 4.7.). The EIPIN Congress also included an EIPIN Doctoral Meeting (see section 5.4.).

2.2. Supreme Court of Japan

Judge Kumiko Katsumata participated in the MIPLC’s LL.M. program in the year 2010/11.

2.3. State Intellectual Property Office of the People’s Republic of China (SIPO)

For the fourth time, SIPO sent a group of IP officials to Munich for a two-week training program. A detailed account of this program is provided in section 3.3.

2.4. Hongik University

In December 2010, the MIPLC concluded a Memorandum of Understanding with the Graduate School of Hongik University, Korea. The envisaged cooperation focuses on the promotion of research and education. Program Director Seth Ericsson travelled to Korea to participate in the 2011 Hongik University IP Conferences “Commercializing Innovation: Global Best Practice.” In this context he presented on “Law and Policy of Digital Content Distribution” (see section 3.1.).

The following table provides a synopsis of all collaborations and cooperative activities in which the MIPLC has participated since its foundation in 2003.

Cooperating Partner(s)	Objective(s)	Established in
European Patent Office/European Patent Academy (www.miplc.de/cooperations/european-patent-office/ ; www.epo.org/about-us/office/academy.html)	Research, education	2003
German Federal Patent Court (www.miplc.de/cooperations/bpatg/ ; www.bpatg.de/index.html)	Education (internship)	2003
European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN) (www.miplc.de/cooperations/eipin/ ; www.eipin.org/): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute (QMIPRI, University of London) ■ Magister Lucentinus (Universidad Alicante) ■ Centre d'Etudes Internationales de la Propriété Industrielle (CEIPI, Université Robert Schuman, Strasbourg) 	Education (EIPIN Congress), research (EIPIN Doctoral Meetings), career development, networking	2004
EC-ASEAN Intellectual Property Rights Cooperation Program (ECAP II) (www.miplc.de/cooperations/ecap-ii/ ; www.ecap-project.org/)	Education, networking, research	2004
Supreme Court of Japan (www.miplc.de/cooperations/supreme-court-japan/ ; www.courts.go.jp/english/)	Education	2004
University of South Africa, Department of Mercantile Law (www.miplc.de/cooperations/unisa/ ; www.unisa.ac.za/default.asp?Cmd=ViewContent&ContentID=211)	Research	2004
WIPO Worldwide Academy (www.miplc.de/cooperations/wipo-academy/ ; www.wipo.int/academy/en/)	Research, education (internship)	2006
Chungnam National University of Korea (www.miplc.de/cooperations/chungnam/ ; plus.cnu.ac.kr/eng/sub0407.jsp)	Research, education	2006
NALSAR University of Law (www.miplc.de/cooperations/nalsar/ ; www.nalsarlawuniv.ac.in/)	Research, education	2006
State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) (www.miplc.de/cooperations/sipo/ ; www.sipo.gov.cn/sipo_English/)	Research, education	2007
Korea Institute for Intellectual Property (KIIP) (www.miplc.de/cooperations/kiip/ ; www.kiip.re.kr/eng/)	Research	2007
Dottorato di Ricerca in Diritto Commerciale, Università degli Studi di Catania (www.miplc.de/cooperations/uni-catania/ ; www.lex.unict.it/dottorato/dirittocommerciale/)	Research, education	2007
Institute of Intellectual Property (IIP) of Japan (www.miplc.de/cooperations/iip-japan/ ; www.iip.or.jp/e/)	Research	2007
Center for Studies of IPR of Zhongnan University of Economics and Law, China (www.iprcn.com/en/AboutUs_Center.aspx)	Research, education	2008
International Max Planck Research School Competition and Innovation (IMPRS-CI) (www.miplc.de/cooperations/imprs-ci/ ; www.imprs-ci.ip.mpg.de)	Education	2009
Chungnam National University Law School, Korea (plus.cnu.ac.kr/english/M02/sub_0226.jsp)	Research, education	2009
National Institute of Industrial Property, Brazil (www.inpi.gov.br/)	Research, education	2010
Hongik University, Korea (www.hongik.ac.kr/english_neo/)	Research, education	2010

3. Conferences and Training Activities

3.1. Commercializing Innovation: Global Best Practice (co-organized with Hongik University, Korea)

The 21st century is characterized by change at the speed of light. Innovation is sometimes described as the ability to see change as an opportunity and not a threat. It would not be an exaggeration to say that the future of mankind depends on our ability to innovate. Innovation, however, is not simply coming up with an idea. The real key to innovation in a market economy is knowing how to commercialize a good idea successfully.

The MIPLC was therefore pleased to be a co-organizer of this conference, which took place at Hongik University in Seoul, Korea, on March 24, 2011. The conference aimed to review global best practice in

as Professor Alan Paa (Cornell University, USA), Professor Alexander Wurzer (CEIPI, France), Professor Jinzo Fujino (Tokyo University of Science), Dr. Haibo Liu (Chinese Academy of Sciences), and Dr. Shim Youngtaek (Seoul National University), as well as high-level policymakers and industry leaders from Korea.

3.2. Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of “The Uneasy Case for Copyright” (Symposium)

In 1970, Stephen G. Breyer, now an Associate Justice on the Supreme Court of the United States, published the pioneering article “The Uneasy Case for Copyright.” To commemorate the fortieth anniversary of “The Uneasy Case for Copyright,” the George Washington Law Review, the Intellectual Property Law Program of the George Washington University Law School and the MIPLC hosted a symposium, organized under the aegis of Professor Robert Brauneis. Justice Breyer gave the keynote address and distinguished legal academics and economists from the United States and abroad considered the legacy of the article and the current state of inquiry into the proper place of copyright and intellectual property law. Professor Josef Drexl and Program Director Seth Ericsson were honored to participate in this conference along with distinguished speakers Professor Oren Bracha, University of Texas at Austin, Professor Talha Syed, University of California, Berkeley, Professor Stan Liebowitz, University of Texas at Dallas, Professor Niva Elkin-Koren, University of Haifa, Professor Pamela Samuelson, University of California, Berkeley, Zorina Khan, Bowdoin College, Professor Martin Kretschmer, Bournemouth University, Professor Wendy Gordon, Boston University, and Professor Michael Abramowicz, Professor John Duffy, and Professor F. Scott Kieff, all of The George Washington University.

Within the framework of the symposium Professor Drexl and Mr. Ericsson presented on the topic of “The Music In-



Program Director Seth Ericsson and other participants at the 2011 Hongik University IP Conference

commercializing innovation, from the diverse perspectives of policymakers, business and universities, and to examine Korea’s current status in this global competition to innovate.

In the context of this conference, MIPLC Program Director Seth Ericsson held a presentation on “Law and Policy of Digital Content Distribution.” Other speakers included scholars and practitioners of world-renown in this area such

dustry and the Emergence of On-line Music Distribution Diversity: The Role of Copyright and Competition.” They examined the digital revolution of music distribution and the business model innovation which has occurred as a result. Their talk highlighted the crucial role intermediaries and business models play in the delivery of a creative work to an audience. The proper function of copyright and competition in this new digital environment was also evaluated in this context.

The George Washington Law Review dedicated Volume 79 Number 6 to publishing the papers presented at the Symposium. *Seth Ericsson*



Justice Breyer with Professor Brauneis and Professor Lawrence, Dean of GW Law



Professor Adelman, Professor Drexel and Professor Kieff



Justice Breyer and symposium participants

3. Conferences and Training Activities

3.3. MIPLC-SIPO IP Training Program

The fourth annual training program organized for the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) took place from September 5 to 16, 2011. This fourth group of 25 participants from all over China, led by Ms. Huang Feng, Director-General of the Intellectual Property Office of Sichuan Province, consisted mainly of high-ranking officials from provincial IP offices. As in previous years, the specialized training program focused on "IP Strategy and Enforcement." The MIPLC assembled a training schedule consisting of academic instruction and presentations held by IP attorneys. Lecturers included Professor Ann, Dr. Dissmann, Professor Drexl, Dr. Hertel, Dr. Huber, Dr. Kroher, Professor Kur, Ms. Naimi, Prinz zu Waldeck, Dr. Tapia Garcia, and Dr. von Lewinski.

The classroom sessions were complemented by external visits. At BMW AG, Dr. Torsten Dilly, Legal Counsel, gave a highly interesting and practice-focused presentation on BMW's perspective of trademark and design enforcement. In the afternoon, the group enjoyed a visit of the BMW Welt and a guided tour of the production facilities.

At Intel's offices, Managing Attorney Georg Fisch, LL.M., explained Intel's corporate structure in Germany, Europe, the Middle East and Africa, followed by Brian Quinn's presentation of Intel's research laboratories. But this was only the warm-up for an extensive discussion on how Intel protects its intellectual property, led by Intel's EMEA Senior IP Counsel Chen Gong.

At the German Patent and Trademark Office, the group was welcomed by Dr. Dieter Schneider, Head of Department Patents II. Dr. Uta Brambosch, the Deputy Head of the International Industrial Property Section, gave an overview of the duties and organization of the Office. Afterwards, patent examiner Dr. Spieker discussed the patent examination process at the DPMA with a focus on biotechnological patents and many useful hints for

potential filers. After a ride in the paternoster elevator and lunch in the DPMA cafeteria, the previously heavy rains stopped to allow the group to step onto the rooftop terrace and enjoy the views of Munich.

During the visit to the German Patent Attorneys' Chamber, Holger Geitz, a member of the Chamber's Board, discussed duties and training of a German patent attorney. Lively discussions ensued con-



Huang Feng, Director-General of Intellectual Property Office of Sichuan Province and leader of the delegation, with Professor Drexl



Huang Feng and Cao Xiaobin with Valentín Mir (far right), Dr. Pedro Ososna (middle), and Cindy Zhang (far left) at the European Patent Office



Tao Baijiang, Head of Economic and Trade Section at the Chinese Consulate-General in Munich, addressed the delegation on behalf of the Consul-General

cerning the details of patent attorney training and organizational requirements for patent law firms.

As every year, the group visited the European Patent Office, where Dr. Pedro Osona, Project Leader in the Directorate for International Affairs, gave a detailed and insightful presentation about the EPO and the European Patent Procedure, as well as EPO's international cooperations. This was followed by a presentation



Cao Donggen, Deputy Director of Patent Management Department of SIPO; Huang Feng; Professor Drexl; Cao Xiaobin, Deputy Inspector of Personnel Department of SIPO; Tao Bailiang; Duolikun Awuti, Deputy Director-General of IP Office of Xinjiang Uygur Autonomous Region



on the European patent examination and granting procedure by Mr. Daljit Khera, Senior Patent Examiner. Incidentally, Ms. Huang and Dr. Osona have been personally acquainted for many years, adding a more personal note to this visit.

Both the delegation members and the MIPLC staff were very pleased with the success of the training program. Both sides are looking forward to continuing this cooperation with additional training programs in the coming years.



Dr. Uta Brambosch provided a detailed overview of the German Patent and Trademark Office

The participants of the 2011 training program in front of the Max Planck Institute

4. The LL.M. Program Academic Year 2010/11



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I had the best class mates ever! It is amazing that people from so many different countries get on so well with one another. That was a wonderful experience. We really became like a small MIPLC family. And I am so glad that most of us are still in touch.

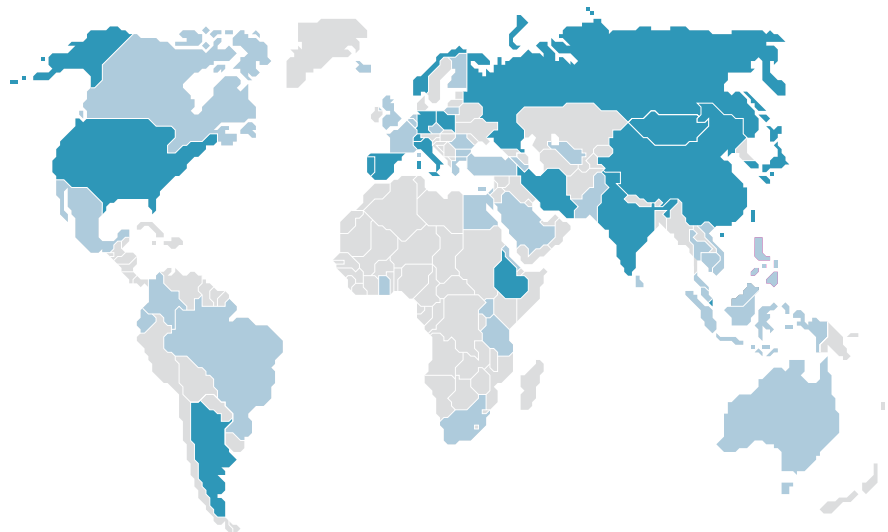
Of course we all became so close because the MIPLC is not on a big university campus. I really think that this is a big advantage. The fact that we all had our offices on the same floor made it possible for us to spend a lot of time together, helping one another with studying, but also having a coffee break, lunch, dinner and some of us (I guess) even a midnight snack together. We really learned a lot from each other. Of course we often compared the different legal systems of our home countries, but we also talked about cultural differences and I learned so much about China, Mongolia, India, Spain etc.

Kathrin Schlüter
Germany

4.1. Students

The MIPLC Class of 2010/11 comprised 31 students, who hailed from 19 different countries: Argentina, China (7), Ethiopia, Germany (2), India (2), Iran, Italy, Japan (3), South Korea, Mongolia, Norway, Poland (2), Portugal, Russia (2), Singapore, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, USA. One student regrettably had to discontinue the program after the first term for health reasons.

Of these 31 students, 17 held a law degree. 10 of the remaining students came from an engineering or sciences background, three had a business degree, and one had graduated in languages.



The map shows, in dark blue, the countries of origin of the 2010/11 class. Countries from which past students hailed are highlighted in light blue.

4.2. Summary of Events

October 2010	
04	Welcome Day
05	Start of winter term
18	Study visit to the EPO
21	City tour
November	
19	Oral proceeding before EPO Board of Appeals
December	
16	Christmas reception at MPI
February 2011	
25–27	EIPIN Conference in Strasbourg (4.7.)
28	Start of spring break, optional internships (4.6.)
April	
06	Start of summer term
08–10	EIPIN Conference in Alicante (4.7.)
May	
14	Alumni Get-Together at INTA Annual Meeting (4.16.)
June	
06–10	Study visit to Washington, D.C. (4.8.)
27–22/07	The George Washington University IP Summer Program (4.9.)
July	
22	End of summer term
25	End-of-Year Excursion (4.12.)
November	
11	Graduation Ceremony (4.13.)

Faculty Portrait

Professor William R. Cornish



Professor William R. Cornish was the first to develop the teaching of intellectual property law in a British law school as Professor of English Law at the London School of Economics from 1970–1990. He has continued this work since his appointment to a Chair of Law at Cambridge University in 1990. He is also an External Academic Member of the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law and an Editor of the Institute’s journal, *International Review for Industrial Property and Copyright*. One of the original MIPLC faculty members, he has taught the introductory course “Legal Tradition” since 2003 (with Professors Ann and Crews).

The former director of the Centre for Intellectual Property and Information Law at Cambridge University, Professor Cornish is Emeritus Herchel Smith Professor of Intellectual Property Law at Cambridge University and a Fellow of the British Academy. His textbook, “Intellectual Property: Patents, Copyright, Trade Marks and Allied Rights” first appeared in 1981 and is now in its 7th edition. The *Festschrift* presented to him on his retirement in 2004 is Vaver and Bently (eds.), “Intellectual Property in the New Millenium.” His interests also extend to the modern legal history of the common law. He has recently worked with a team of five other authors to produce Volumes XI–XIII of the “Oxford History of the Laws of England.” These cover the years 1820–1914.

In the IP field he considers himself a generalist and has been Chairman of the British Literary and Artistic Copyright Association and is a Vice-President of the international society, ALAI, of which it is the British constituent; President of the International Association for Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property; founding member of the Council of the Intellectual Property Institute, London; chairman of the Intellectual Property Working Party of the National Academies Policy Action Group; Specialist Adviser to the House of Lords Committee on EC Legislation on trade marks and patents, and accordingly

draftsman of two reports on these subjects; founding member of the Editorial Board of the *European Intellectual Property Review*; founding director of the Centre for European Legal Studies in the Cambridge Law Faculty. He is an active panellist for domain name issues at the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Centre.

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4.3. Curriculum

The list of courses offered in the academic year 2010/11 is available in Appendix 1.

Based on lessons learned and the students' program evaluation, the following changes to the curriculum were introduced:

- Dr. Rupprecht Podszun offered "Introduction to Competition Law."
- Professor Kenneth Crews offered the elective course "Limitations and Exceptions in Copyright Law."
- Seth Ericsson, MIPLC Program Director, offered an elective course on "Media Law."
- Dr. Nari Lee, MIPLC Program Director, taught the international section of the basic course "International and Comparative Patent Law."

The elective course "IP Prosecution and Enforcement" saw two new faculty additions. Experienced practitioners Terrence McMahon and Jack S. Barufka taught US Patent Litigation and US Patent Protection, respectively.

In the context of the GW IP Summer School, the following new courses were introduced:

- "Philosophical Foundations of IP"
- "Copyright and the Changing Role of the Copy"

What I consider
my most valuable experience at MIPLC:

“Hard work and intensive life every day of this year. But no pain, no gain. Thanks for the valuable study in MIPLC. I gained much more than I had expected. Also many thanks to the excellent professors, MIPLC team and kind classmates. I had a wonderful year with you!

(From the Program Evaluation)

Faculty Portrait

Eiji Katayama



Eiji Katayama, who holds degrees in engineering and law, has extensive IP teaching experience besides almost 30 years of experience in law firms. He is a partner in Abe, Ikubo & Katayama.

Mr. Katayama works in wide areas of international and corporate matters with a focus on intellectual property law and bankruptcy law. The patent litigation in which he has participated covers the fields of chemistry, electronics and machinery, which involve advanced technology such as biotechnology, semiconductors etc., and which are cross border matters. He also has experience in trademark, copyright and unfair competition litigation. Mr. Katayama further benefits from his extensive international study and work experience in the USA and Europe, including a stint at the Max Planck Institute.

In the corporate law area often including cross border matters, he gives opinion letters on various corporate matters, conducts negotiations on M & A and other transaction, and provides consultations on legal affairs related to management. He also has a deep knowledge and experience in the pharmaceutical industry, not least thanks to the almost ten years he spent working for Fujisawa Pharmaceutical Company.

Since 2007, Mr. Katayama has been a lecturer at the MIPLC, where he teaches Japanese patent law in the context of the basic course "International and Comparative Patent Law."

4.4. Faculty

A list of all active MIPLC faculty members is available in Appendix 2.

The MIPLC was pleased and honored to welcome to its faculty the following new teachers:

- Jack Barufka, Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP/The George Washington University Law School (IP Rights Prosecution and Enforcement)
- Professor Barton Beebe, New York University School of Law (European, U.S. and International Trademark Law)
- Seth Ericsson, MIPLC (Media Law)
- Professor Robert Heverly, Union University, Albany Law School (Internet Law)
- Professor Justin Hughes, Cardozo School of Law (Protection of Geographical Indications)
- Sir Lord Justice Robin Jacob, Royal Courts of Justice (International and Comparative Patent Law)
- Dr. Nari Lee, MIPLC (International and Comparative Patent Law)
- Professor Irina Manta, Case Western Reserve University (TRIPS, Patents and Public Health)
- Terrence McMahon, McDermott Will & Emery LLP (IP Rights Prosecution and Enforcement)
- Dr. Rupprecht Podszun, Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law (Introduction to Competition Law)
- Professor Arti Rai, Duke University School of Law (Pharmaceuticals and IP; Protection of Biotechnological Inventions)

Faculty Portrait

Professor Annette Kur



Professor Annette Kur is a senior member of research staff and Head of Unit at the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law. She is Associate Professor at the University of Stockholm and Honorary Professor at the University of Munich (LMU) besides being a member of foreign faculty at Santa Clara University and a former Visiting Professor (Hauser Global Law School Program) at NYU. She was selected as the next Yong Shook Lin (YSL) IP Professor at the National University of Singapore, spring 2013. She has served as adviser in the American Law Institute's project "Intellectual Property: Principles Governing Jurisdiction, Choice of Law, and Judgments in Transnational Disputes" and was President of the International Association for the Advancement of Teaching and Research in Intellectual Property (ATRIP) for the term 2007–2009.

Professor Kur is the author of books and numerous articles in the field of national, European and international trademark, unfair competition and industrial design law as well as international jurisdiction and choice of law. At MIPLC, she teaches the introductory course "International IP Convention Systems" as well as "European, US and International Trademark Law" (with Professor Dinwoodie and Dr. von Bomhard) and "European, US and International Design Law" (with Professor Janis).

Faculty Portrait

Michael Schlesinger



Michael Schlesinger's expertise lies in international intellectual property matters with an emphasis on copyright, trade-related aspects of intellectual property rights protection, policy advocacy, legislative and treaty drafting and advocacy, as well as domestic and international brand management and trademark law. His international copyright practice focuses on developments in China, India and throughout Asia, the Middle East and Africa. He is frequently called upon by lawmakers, policymakers and the press on addressing IP challenges in China, and he helped lead efforts in the first-ever IP and IP-related market access cases to be brought by the United States against China. He also represents the International Intellectual Property Alliance on international copyright law and enforcement matters and works with foreign governments on compliance with international intellectual property and trade agreements and IP capacity building. Mr. Schlesinger has been published widely, including recent chapters in "The Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights: Comparative Perspectives from the Asia-Pacific Region," Kluwer Law Books (2011), and "Peer-to-Peer File Sharing and Secondary Liability in Copyright Law," Edward Elgar Books (2009).

A long-standing faculty member, Mr. Schlesinger has taught "Enforcement of Copyright" (with Professor Strowel) since 2005. He also sings tenor with The Washington Chorus and supports his children as a Balletomane with The Washington Ballet.

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I believe that the program owes its prestige and quality, first of all, to the faculty and academic partnerships: we were fortunate to have lectures by professors and practitioners representing leading universities and law firms across Europe and the US. The curriculum is designed in such a way that the scope of subjects builds up a comprehensive view of how IP topics and issues weave through the contemporary international policy making and economic and business developments. This is combined with the excellent studying facilities: the access to online databases and the resources of the Max Planck Library, the system of tutorship and academic supervision, the approachable and supportive administration.

I also believe that the success of the program can be attributed to the admission policy: participants come from diverse professional and cultural backgrounds bringing their specialized expertise. For someone with a non-legal background – in my case, art and culture – the program can be a challenging, and, at the same time, rewarding experience. I am thankful to all faculty members and my classmates for support, encouragement, and bright memories of this incredibly intense and fulfilling year.

Daria Kim
Russia

4.5. Tutorials

The tutorial system used at the MIPLC is one of the core components of the LL.M. program and has been receiving excellent ratings from students in the annual program evaluations. A complete list of all tutors of the academic year 2010/11 is provided below.

Tutors

Hyewon Ahn, MIPLC
Rachel Alemu, MIPLC
Marisa Aranda Sales, MIPLC
Zecharias Fassil Berhe, MIPLC
Mario Cisneros, MPI
Kan He, MIPLC
Andrea Hüllmandel*
Jacob Jaconiah, MPI
Sisi Liang, MPI
Nishanta Sampath Punchi Hewage, MIPLC
Markku Räsänen*
Owais Hassan Shaikh, MPI
Tatsuya Tada*
Tuire Väisänen*
Nicole van der Laan, MIPLC

MPI: Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law

*MIPLC graduates, now working in Munich

What I consider
my most valuable experience at MIPLC:

“I had a great time with professors and students from all over the world having a wide variety of experience. It was really a fruitful experience for me to have the chance to talk with first-rate professors.

(From the Program Evaluation)

4.6. Internships

The internship program, offered during the spring break, provides students with an opportunity to apply their newly-acquired skills and knowledge in a practical setting.

In the academic year 2010/11, students spent four weeks with the following internship sponsors:

Sponsor	Location	Number of Students	Student's Nationality
Bardehle Pagenberg	Munich, Germany	1	Indian
Bird & Bird LLP	Munich, Germany	4	Chinese, Polish, Portuguese, Spanish
Boehmert & Boehmert	Munich, Germany	2	Korean, Taiwanese
Bosch Jehle Patentanwaltsgesellschaft mbH	Munich, Germany	1	Italian
Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP	Washington, DC, USA	1	USA
European Patent Office	Munich, Germany	2	Chinese
Hogan Lovells LLP	Alicante, Spain	1	Swiss
Intel GmbH	Munich, Germany	1	Argentinean
Kroher Strobel	Munich, Germany	1	German
MorphoSys AG	Munich, Germany	1	Mongolian
Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (OHIM)	Alicante, Spain	1	Japanese
Permanent Mission of Singapore to the WTO and WIPO	Geneva, Switzerland	1	Singaporean
Reed Smith LLP	Munich, Germany	1	Polish
Siemens AG	Munich, Germany	2	Chinese, Russian
World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	Geneva, Switzerland	4	Indian, Japanese (2), Russian
Wragge & Co LLP	Munich, Germany	1	Iranian



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Choosing MIPLC as a starting point for an activity in IP seemed a natural choice for a person interested in an international career. The possibility to study (and soon to become friends) with other students from various backgrounds was a valuable experience for a lawyer, allowing me to learn from them and try to better understand other than legal approaches to IP.

Magdalena Kolasa
Poland

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4.7. EIPIN Congress

In 2011, the 12th EIPIN Congress was hosted by CEIPI of the University of Strasbourg and Magister Lucentinus of the University of Alicante.

From the beginning all participating students were divided into teams of four, comprising one student from each EIPIN partner, ably guided by a team advisor. Each team was given a topic on which to prepare a report, encouraged by the perspective of the publication of the best reports, as well as responsibility to initiate discussion after the individual conference panels. This activity gave us the

Program Director Seth Ericsson with Professor Manuel Desantes and Sara Martinez, University of Alicante



The MIPLC's EIPIN team in front of the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market

chance to closely collaborate with students from other institutes which was an invaluable experience. During both conferences, time was set aside to work on the reports with the other team members. In total, the teams cooperated for a three-month period between and after the two conferences, when participants exchanged emails and developed the report.

The first part of the annual conference, “Constructing European IP Law: Achievements and New Perspectives,” was held on the premises of the European Parliament in Strasbourg in February. The speakers, all of them professors, members of European Union institutions and IP practitioners, provided the participants with an in-depth analysis of current issues and developments of IP law. With over 30 speakers and chairs, each an expert in their own discipline, the intense two-day schedule covered a wide spectrum of IP issues, such as an analysis of the introduction of the European Patent Court by Professor Jean Christophe Galloux, the simplification of GI protection by Dr. Gail Elizabeth Evans, trademark reform in Europe by Professor Annette Kur, and harmonization of copyright by Professor Bernt Hugenholtz. The academic part closed with a vigorous roundtable on the topic of “Making the European IP System Work,” chaired by Professor Manuel Desantes. Speakers included representatives of the European Commission, OHIM and the EPO as well as industry and academia. All panels generated lively discussions that were initiated by the students representing various teams and subsequently carried on by the audience.

With so much food for the mind, the organizers thankfully made sure that the participants were also supplied with sufficient food for the body and had an opportunity to sample the famous French and Alsatian cuisines as well as French wine. Likewise, no one missed out on the social and recreational aspects of the conference. All enjoyed a beautiful tour of Strasbourg, a city tour by boat and a party, where we got to see our professors



The Congress' first session, hosted by CEIPI, took place at the European Parliament in Strasbourg

in a new light as they were dancing and singing with the students.

The second part of the conference, held in Alicante in early April, allowed the participants an insight into the future of IP under the theme of "New Trends in International Intellectual Property Protection." The first session was held in the impressive headquarters of the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market and included i.a. insights into the streamlining of the trademark registration process presented by Mr. Juan Ramon Rubio from OHIM and an assessment of the unification and future perspectives of the patent system provided by Mr. Wim Van der Eijk of the European Patent Office. The analysis of the various TRIPs-plus and TRIPs-minus legal frameworks was presented from the Latin American perspective by Professor Carlos Correa, the Indian approach was delineated by Dr. Xaver Seuba, and a critical analysis of ACTA was produced by Dr. Guido Westkamp. The international framework was completed by an analysis of IP enforcement challenges presented by online infringements by Professor Pedro de Miguel and the proposed common CLIP rules on law applicable to the IP disputes by Professor Josef Drexler.

The Alicante conference also included social activities. Arriving from cold Munich, we had the opportunity to explore the city, play volleyball on the beach, or just soak up the sun. Be it a relaxed Spanish lunch on the beach with the famous paella, tapas and sangria, or dinner in the center of the city followed by a glimpse of Spanish nightlife, we had it all.

On the last day when it was time to say our goodbyes to the other participants, we realized that we were not just teammates or students from different institutes anymore, but that we had become friends. We had not just learnt about IP issues, but had also experienced something which no other conference provides: an opportunity to meet like-minded IP students from all over Europe, to network and bond with them.

Participating in the 12th EIPIN Congress was a very valuable experience and a healthy combination of work and fun, providing an opportunity to actively participate in lively discussions on the most important present and future issues in IP in a stimulating and friendly atmosphere.

*Magdalena Kolasa
and Preston Richard*

João Quintais, Teresa Trallero, Preston Richard and Eugenio Hoss in Strasbourg



The participants of the 12th EIPIN Congress



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Sunday-morning
breakfast at Professor
Brauneis' house

4.8. Study Trip to Washington, D.C.

A small group of five students attended this year's study trip and explored Washington, D.C., from June 4–10, 2011.

The visit got off on an excellent start thanks to a breakfast invitation to Professor Brauneis' house on Sunday morning. Afterwards the students embarked on the first portion of their ambitious and meticulously planned sightseeing program, in the course of which they visited all Smithsonian museums and numerous other sights in and around Washington in just one week.

As part of the program, Jack Barufka taught his part of "IP Rights Prosecution and Enforcement," which was transmitted by video-conference to Munich for those students who had not joined the study

A visit to FDR and Fala,
one of the many sights
covered



IP all over town, such
as a bicycle rack studied
in copyright class



In front of GW Law...

trip. Moreover, students visited the office of Drinker Biddle & Reath LLP, where partner Gary Rinkerman discussed "Transaction-Oriented Uses of Patent Rights" and, later that same day, offered an insight into American food culture by treating the group to dinner at a chili café.

During their visit to the Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit, students got a first-hand experience of Chief Judge Rader on the bench, as he presided over the four hearings that took place on that

... and at the Court of
Appeals for the Federal
Circuit



At the GW Law reception with Hyewon Ahn, Class of 2010, who was in town for an internship



particular day. The students moreover received case briefings from Chief Judge Rader's clerks and also had the opportunity to learn about Court operations.

The students furthermore visited the US Patent and Trademark Office, whose Global Intellectual Property Academy had organized an array of advanced IP talks covering such diverse subjects as Domain Names and Trademarks (by Attorney-Advisor Susan Anthony); Pharmaceutical and Agricultural Patent Issues (by GIPA Director James Housel); and Trademark Policy (by Attorney-Advisor Scott Baldwin).

The program closed with a visit to the US Copyright Office, where Peter Vankevich, head of the Copyright Information Section, welcomed the students. Afterwards the group departed for sightseeing in New York.

Many thanks to GW Law for hosting a reception that was also attended by Chief Judge Rader, MIPLC lecturer P. Jay Hines, and future students of the GW IP Summer Program.



At the USPTO, students were treated to a series of advanced IP talks



An introduction to American cuisine...

Thanks to Chief Judge Rader and his team for their hospitality!



... with various types of Chili Mac

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4.9. The George Washington University IP Summer Program

In July 2011, the MIPLC once again welcomed the George Washington University Law School Intellectual Property Summer Program. Seven professors and 28 students travelled to Munich for the program. Over a period of four weeks, the program offered eight courses, six of which were open to MIPLC IP LL.M. students: Cross-Border Trade in Intellectual Property; International Patent Law; Internet Law; Philosophical Foundations of Intellectual Property; TRIPS, Patents, and Public Health; IP and Indigenous Heritage; and Copyright and the Changing Role of the Copy. In addition to attending classes, students participated in study visits to local IP institutions, including the European Patent Office, GEMA, the BMW Trademark Department, and the Siemens Patent Department. Many of the students also took advantage of the opportunity to watch the Women's World Cup games as they were being held in Germany, including the USA's win over France in the semifinals, and, alas, its loss to Japan in the final.

*Professor Robert Brauneis
The George Washington University
Law School, MIPLC Managing Board*



The MIPLC's cooperation with the OHIM University Network in Alicante gave me an opportunity to combine the research prepared for my Master's thesis with research for the Office. I obtained additional advice from an OHIM litigator who co-supervised my work, and presented the results of my research at the research session. Participating in a discussion with OHIM officials, professors and other students from all over Europe allowed me to learn much more than how to do research. It helped me improve my skills as a public speaker and resulted in many valuable contacts. Of course, a 3-day visit to sunny Spain is another incentive to participate in the OHIM University Network that should not be underestimated.

Magdalena Kolasa
Poland

4.10. Master's Theses

Following the completion of their course work, all MIPLC students are required to submit a Master's Thesis of about 55 to 75 pages. The preparation of this work of in-depth research is a central component of the LL.M. program that requires independent thinking and strong analytical and writing skills.

The students of the class of 2010/11 chose the topics indicated on the opposite page, which dealt with current issues in the fields of IP and/or competition law.

The average grade earned for the theses was 13 points on a scale from 0 to 18. This highly satisfactory result demonstrates once more the high academic standard of the theses submitted.

The MIPLC again took part in the OHIM University Network. Magdalena Kolasa wrote her LL.M. thesis in this context on a topic proposed by and with additional supervision provided by an OHIM staff member. Ms. Kolasa presented her research at the Network's convention and was very well received.

Name	Country of Origin	Topic of Master's Thesis
Brandhuber, Andreas Florian	Germany	Intellectual Property as a Strategic Competitive Advantage in the German Automobile Industry
Chiew, Adrian Choong Yee	Singapore	Intellectual Property, Public Health and International Investment Law: Comparing the Scope of Intellectual Property Protection under TRIPS and International Investment Law, and an Analysis of the Utility and Implications of International Investment Law Protection for Intellectual Property
Choi, Jaehyuk	Korea	How Do We Assess Obviousness?
Da, Ji	China	Copyright Protection and Exceptions of Blog Works: How Could China Establish a Reasonable Fair Use Mechanism with Increasing Legal Certainty?
Ding, Yuan	China	Should China Keep the Present Utility Model System? A Look at the Experiences of Germany, Japan, and the United States and the Prospects in China
Gotkin, Joel	USA	The United States Bayh-Dole Act and Its Effect on University Technology Transfer: An Assessment of the Successes and Shortfalls of the Act's Provisions, Its Future as Interpreted by the Stanford v. Roche Case, and Its International Implications
Hamanaka, Nobuyuki	Japan	Distinction between Complementary and Substitute Patents as a Matter of Competition Law - Observations from Comparative Perspective
Hassani Farahani, Farhoodeh	Iran	A Comparative Study on Iranian Copyright Law and the Berne Convention
Hirko, Sileshi Bedasie	Ethiopia	Legal Protection of Geographical Indications in Ethiopia
Hoss, Eugenio	Argentina	Delays in Patent Examination and Their Implications Under the TRIPS Agreement
Hsieh, Yi-Han	Taiwan	A Tug of War Between Scientific Innovation and Morality: Comparative Review of the U.S. and EU Approaches to Patent-Eligible Subject Matter Requirement Related to Stem Cell Inventions
Imai, Masahito	Japan	The Interpretation of a Product-by-Process Claim in Japan
Juneja, Neha	India	The Legality of Gene Patents: Post-Myriad Decision
Katsumata, Kumiko	Japan	Comparative Study of Patent Infringement Cases by Multiple Actors
Kim, Daria	Russia	International Copyright Licensing Practice in the Sphere of Art and Entertainment: Legal Risks Management
Kolasa, Magdalena	Poland	The Scope and Limits of Protection for Distinctive Signs Against the Community Design - The Application and Implications of Art. 25(1)(e) of the Community Designs Regulation
Lichorowicz, Barbara	Poland	The Role of Patent Offices and Partner Institutions in Development of Markets for Technology - What Can Europe Learn from Japan?
Liu, Zewei	China	Determining Trademark Infringement Through Likelihood of Confusion: Can China Learn from the United States?
Nezlobin, Nikolai	Russia/Israel	Dated-Freedom-to-Operate Certificate: Retrospective Unpatentability Examination in Patent Office as a Case-Law-Favored Route to a Better Patent System
Purevdorj, Dambadarjaa	Mongolia	Patenting of Bioinformatics Inventions Related to Drug Discovery
Quintais, João Pedro de Miranda Branco Tomé	Portugal	On Peers and Copyright: Why the EU Should Consider Collective Management of P2P
Richard Thinakaran, Gift Preston	India	Doth the Lord Giveth?: Patent Protection of Computer Implemented Inventions in India - A Comparative Analysis
Schlüter, Kathrin	Germany	The Protection of Personality Features as Trademarks - A European Law Perspective
Sha, Jie	China	Should China Adopt the ACTA Border Enforcement Standard? A Critical Look at the ACTA Provisions and the Prospect for Application in China
Trallero Ocaña, Teresa	Spain	Transitional Periods Under the TRIPs Agreement: Implications for Developing and Least Developed Countries
Tsang, Vincent	Norway	In Whom Do We Trust? A Comparative Study of Patentability Litigation in the U.S., Germany and Norway, in Light of Microsoft v. 14i
Wang, Xiangyu	China	Data Protection/Exclusivity System on Biopharmaceuticals
Yampolska, Olha	Switzerland/Ukraine	Territorial Scope of Acquired Distinctiveness, Reputation and Genuine Use in the Community Trade Mark Regulation - Is There a Coherent Approach?
Zhao, Qing	China	Patentability of the Pharmaceutical Inventions: A Comparative Look at the EPC and the Chinese Patent Law
Zheng, Li	China	Plant Variety Protection in China: Under Diversified International Developments and Particular National Circumstances

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“The MIPLC LL.M. has allowed me to acquire a comprehensive and thorough understanding of both European and international IP law which will prove extremely helpful in the development of a solid professional career. Furthermore, I believe that taking part in the program has enabled me to acquire knowledge, skills and work methods that I would have not been able to develop elsewhere. This is no doubt due, in no small part, to the environment of academic excellence in the context of which the program takes place. Taking part in the MIPLC IP LL.M. has been the most enriching experience of my academic life thus far.

Teresa Trallero
Spain



“The MIPLC provides many advantages for students of IP law. It provides a very comprehensive (and really intensive!) curriculum. You can study here whole range of IP laws as well as their neighboring laws such as competition (antitrust) law and unfair competition law. This point was therefore especially attractive to me as I have been interested in the interface between IP and competition law. The geographical scope covers not only Europe but also the United States (and Japan in some classes), which helps you understand IP laws in a more structured way. Moreover, there are many extra-curricular events. You can hear about the latest or region-specific IP issues at seminars held at the MIPLC (such as the MIPLC Lecture Series and the Asia Roundtable) as well as the MPI. You may also have opportunities to attend the EIPIN conference and the Washington Study Visit. I learned about all these advantages from a colleague who was a student at the MIPLC and finally decided to come here, too. The experience of study at the MIPLC has been really rewarding for me and I believe it will be for you, too!

Nobuyuki Hamanaka
Japan



“The year at MIPLC was a wonderful experience for me. The quality of the program is outstanding. I am glad that I had the chance and honor to join lectures held by some of the best IP experts. They were not only teaching but also mentoring us and giving us advice. All the professors seemed to really enjoy teaching at the MIPLC which is why I liked the classes so much. We had very good discussions and conversations. Because of the excellent quality and all the wonderful experiences I had during my year at MIPLC, I can really say: if you get the chance to study at the MIPLC, then do it!

Kathrin Schlüter
Germany



Professor Drexler presents the Oehm Prize to João Quintais



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Looking back on a year of non-stop classes, seminars, conferences, exams, study, thesis and absurd amounts of caffeine, I believe that of the many qualities the MIPLC program has, two are particularly noteworthy: the quality of the teaching staff and the level and diversity of students. The former is by far the best I've experienced. The latter contributes not only to an excellent academic environment but, perhaps most importantly, to an enriching personal experience that (I hope) you'll carry for years to come.

**João Pedro de Miranda
Branco Tomé Quintais**
Portugal

Oehm Prize

4.11. Overall Results and Oehm Prize

To calculate the final grade a student has achieved, the grade earned for the Master's Thesis counts just under one-third, while the grades attained in the courses contribute a little more than two thirds.

The average student grade for the academic year 2010/11 was 13 points, which is slightly higher than in previous years and again highly satisfactory. As explained above, only 30 of the 31 students completed the program as one person had to discontinue her studies after the first term for health reasons.

The Oehm Prize went to Mr. João Pedro de Miranda Branco Tomé Quintais from Portugal, who finished with an excellent average of 16 points. The Oehm Prize, awarded annually to the student with the best overall grade, was created from the generous endowment Siegfried and Gertrud Oehm made to the MIPLC.

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The museum shop acts as a natural barrier to keep visitors out of the museum

4.12. End-of-Year Excursion

At the end of the course program, the MIPLC traditionally organizes a day-long excursion to the countryside. In many cases, this is the last opportunity for the class to be together, as most students are occupied with their thesis in the weeks to come, and some will have to leave Munich without a chance to return for the Graduation.

In 2011, the excursion brought 30 students, family members, tutors, and staff to the open-air museum at Glentleiten where traditional farm buildings from all over Upper Bavaria have been assembled



What are these for? Pondering ceramic garden ornaments



Following the strenuous hike from the museum shop to the restaurant, staff...

...and students alike all dig into their food





Zhao Qing and Seth Ericsson get athletic on the teeter-totter



to give a glimpse of what life in Bavaria has been like over the centuries. The museum has the added advantage of its charming location with views of Lake Kochel and the mountains of the Alps.

Following arrival by train and bus and a quick look around the museum shop, which displayed a variety of typical crafts made at the museum, our brave explorers proceeded straight to the museum restaurant for lunch to fortify themselves for a 90-minute guided tour of the museum's buildings. While waiting for the guide, however, they discovered the playground behind the restaurant and made good use of its facilities, proving once more that extended study periods do not negatively impact on physical fitness and creativity.

The tour itself was taken in two separate groups and explained the architecture of the centuries-old farm buildings on display as well as living conditions in these buildings since the 17th century.

Owais Shaikh has used the past year to refine his crazy-jumping techniques



Teeter-totter, take two!

Preston Richard and Vincent Tsang scale the peaks of academic excellence



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A visit to the Bavarian
Country Goose patch

Afterwards, most students decided to return to Munich, while a smaller group stayed behind to explore more of the museum grounds. A later visit of Murnau's Lake Staffel was undertaken not entirely voluntarily by some who had narrowly missed the train to Munich, but nevertheless made a nice closing to an interesting day.

An educational experience on more than one level, thanks to practical German lessons



Learning about the architecture of the centuries-old farm buildings and living conditions since the 17th century





Beautiful views of Lake Kochel from the museum grounds



A viable alternative to the Munich subway system?

Feeding ducks...



... as evening approaches at Murnau's Lake Staffel



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4.13. Graduation Ceremony

Excerpts from the students' speech for the Graduation:

...I do want to give a little personal account as to why I came to Munich. I came here for a few reasons. The market was terrible. I wasn't really ready to work and I didn't feel like I knew enough about intellectual property. I heard about this great opportunity from GW, really cool program out in Germany, and I wanted to see it. I had always wanted to live internationally and I was actually really interested in learning a foreign language. The last thing was, as this has been mentioned about 40 times already, I was very intrigued.

One of the words that MIPLC used was the word "diversity." You hear that in America, you hear that in medical school – that means there had to be 30% women in the class. Here, as we said, there are 19 countries represented by 31 people. What did I walk into? I walked into a Norwegian associate judge, a Japanese patent examiner, a Japanese judge, a Mongolian professor, several seasoned lawyers and scientists from various countries, a Chinese customs officer, and, well, me. Fresh out of law school. Talk about feeling inadequate on your first day of school.

It got worse. I walked in, all happy about the fact that I knew English, and I even promoted the fact that I knew Spanish. I told them on the little sheet that we all had to sign in that I "hablo espagnol." Then I heard Spanish people speak Spanish. Well, I don't know Spanish. The thing that really intrigued me about these 31 students is that every single one other than me had a native language other than English. More interestingly, most of them spoke English better than I do.

...Another thing of note was how quickly everyone bonded. I remember high school, where everyone got there at the same time of day, had their own lockers, were in class until roughly the same time, sometimes stayed after school for



Lining up for caps and gowns



How does this work?
Fixing hair...



...and tassels

Professor Paul Schiff Berman, Dean of GW Law, delivers the keynote address



various reasons, formed cliques, saw the same people every day and knew everything about everyone's personal life, and all that fun stuff.

Eight years later, I came here. Everyone got to school at the same time. We all had our own offices, were in class until roughly the same time every day, sometimes stayed after school for exactly one reason. MIPLC Class of 2012, if you haven't figured out that reason yet, well, I'll pray for you. What else? We formed cliques, saw the same people every day, knew everything about everyone's personal life, and all that fun stuff. Oh, the joy of growing up.

The greatest experience here really was the people, though, and despite the obscenely high workload (which I totally approve of, in hindsight, though you wouldn't hear that out of my mouth until maybe yesterday...), the atmosphere was just pleasant, non-competitive (except



Professor Axel Tuma, Vice President of the University of Augsburg

on a purely friendly level), and, well, uniquely un-American. I remember not even a month into the school year, where I found out I passed the bar, I had those who became my closest friends right there with me, ready to take me "for a beer if I passed, or a shot of whisky if I failed."

I'll take it back to diversity. We went to a Chinese restaurant. This was the first time I actually went to a Chinese restaurant where they served something other than Orange Chicken. We played football, but it wasn't the one with the shoulder pads. There were just so many experiences that I could not have had anywhere else and this truly was the definition of diversity.

I have many other stories, most of which should be shown in pictures, so I'll leave that alone. Time to switch faces and be serious for a second.

When I got home in September, of course the first thing my parents asked me was your typical loaded question that has the guise of a simple half-interested conversation starter.

"How was it?"

I had to think about that for a good minute, and those of you who know me know that me thinking without opening my mouth for a minute is about as frequent as the coming of the messiah, and I eventually came up with the best response I could.

It was the best year of my life.

Now I'll be the first to admit, I've been incredibly fortunate, and had a hell of a good life. And this year blew everything away.

I want to give a bit of perspective on the academics of this place. Class of 2012, listen closely.

Perhaps the most interesting conversation I had about the quality of this program took place on a bus in July. Thoroughly stunned by the reputation of the professors that came through to teach over the course of the year, I asked, "How in the world does MIPLC get such great professors? I mean, not just great, but the



The Class of 2011 is ready for Graduation business

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Joel Gotkin and Preston Richard review the academic year 2010/11...



... to the delight of their classmates...



best in their fields?" And the answer I got made perfect sense:

"When we find a subject that we're going to offer, we basically just call up the three top authorities in that subject and ask if they'd come teach, and someone always does."

If you think about it, that makes so much sense. It's a combination of a little bit of luck and a whole lot of reputation. First off, we're in Munich, truly one of the most beautiful cities I've ever been to. Who wouldn't want to take a week and get an expenses-paid trip to give a few lectures? But it's so much more than that. The reputation of this place. The connection with MPI. The research, the students. It all works hand in hand, and we got hands down the best possible education in IP law, period. Aside from this bit of information reminding me that I will probably have to find a way to teach at Harvard or Stanford for ten years to even be considered to teach a class at this institution, it's telling in its own right. We attract the best students, we attract the best teachers. We are the best. End of story.

The thing that I found even more interesting and rewarding was not just the quality of the teachers, it was their attitudes. One of the things I was a bit apprehensive about before coming was knowing how the schedule was set up – a bunch of professors there for a limited period

of time – which made me think we'd be getting tiny crash courses, no real rapport with professors, and the general feeling that the professor would forget about the students the second he got on that 9:40 flight back to the United States. Boy, was I wrong.

After three years of law school, I had trouble thinking of two professors who knew me well enough to write me a recommendation for this program. Here, I've met and spoken with more people at the top of their field than I could have possibly imagined, and have professors that know me, mostly as "Joel, that guy from GW Law, went to Duke undergrad, is interested in patent law, and asked me if I had any ideas for jobs for him at least seven times." It really is amazing to have

Before...



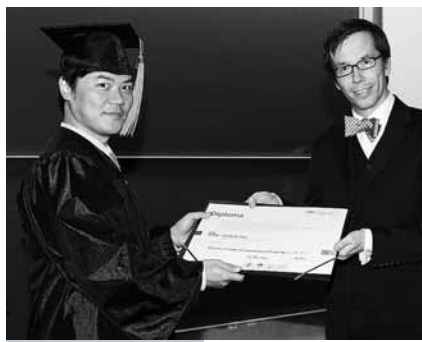
...and after



... and the general audience



Dean Hellwege hands the diploma to Magda Kolasa...



...and Jaehyuk Choi

so many professors that truly take a unique interest into you personally, regardless of whether or not they live in Munich, or are visiting for 48 hours. Class of 2012, use these professors as resources. They truly care. Perhaps it's a credit to the diversity of the MIPLC student body and the reputation of the program in general, but they're just as interested in you as you are in them. Take advantage of it.

Of course, the quality of the classes is impeccable. One small part of the "IP Prosecution and Enforcement" class was taught by the same professor that I had for a very similar class at GW. I found it absolutely amazing that in three hours, we were able to learn so much compared to what I learned in 30 hours of class at GW. Of course, there were some details missing from the lecture, but the overall comprehension of the students with respect to the material was as good or better here than it was with my colleagues at GW. That, again, is a tribute to both the students and the teaching. We don't take crash courses. We take real courses. 2012, put the time and effort into reading the syllabi and digesting material. Whether or not you care about the grades is irrelevant; you'll LEARN something while you're here. That's the best part about it.

Another thing happened while in Munich that I couldn't have possibly imagined after four years as an engineer and three years avoiding the elephant in the room in law school. I learned how to write. Those of you that are debating whether or not to take those "paper-based courses," do it. Research and writing is vital to success in the legal field, and after years of avoiding that problem, I finally embraced it. I remember choosing my thesis topic because it was similar to my journal note topic in law school, and I figured I could piggyback on my work. Well, after writing a paper for Professor Drexl's class that I felt was adequate, I went back to reading my journal note to see what I could use for my thesis. I looked at it for 90 seconds, laughed, then cried (figura-

tively speaking), then wondered how it was possible to change so much in just two years. I never looked at it again. Having the MPI resources, as well as the American LexisNexis and Westlaw, is amazing, and truly allows you to do "real" research.

...On that train of thought, I should make a few confessions. Professor Adelman, that paper that was so unnecessarily long that it probably made your eyes want to fall out, that was me. Same goes for anyone here who taught EU Patent Law, EU Copyright Law, Copyright Law, Trademark Law, Design Law, IP Prosecution and Enforcement, Strategic Management and IP in New Firms, Jurisdiction and Conflict of Law, GI, Unfair Competition, Privacy Publicity and Personality,



Gotcha! Preston Richard makes off with his diploma...



... whilst Kathrin Schlüter savors the moment

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Professor Goddar,
Professor Adelman,
Dean Hellwege, Judge
Kumiko Katsumata

Arbitration, EU Law, Competition Law, Practical Training in Patent Law, Practical Training in Trademark Law, Biotech, Pharma, Science Patents and Startups, Enforcement of Competition Law, and License Contract Drafting. If your class was not mentioned, you either imposed a word limit that I actually adhered to, did not have an exam-based class, or by some freak happening were one of the few classes I was unable to take. It turned into a running joke by the end, with my friends asking me how many words I ended up writing, and how close I got to that scary red bar that comes up on the Exam4 software when you're about to hit your storage limit. I didn't even hit the yellow bar on my bar exam essays.

Because I just spent eight minutes talking about how I talk too much, I will start wrapping this up now. I've left the most important thing to last. Professor Drexler, thank you for all your tireless efforts in ensuring that MIPLC is what it is today. Chairing a program of this magnitude seems quite the challenge, and you do it beautifully. It is my hope that I can contribute in the coming years in any way possible to ensure the continued success and growth and recognition of the MIPLC.

Professor Brauneis, for your efforts on the Managing Board as well as your efforts on a personal level, taking us to dinner in December, meeting up with us again during the Summer program, thank you. Professors Ann and Kort, for your efforts on the board as well, as well as the number of you on the Scientific Advisory Board that I met last night and today, thank you on behalf of all of us. Professor Hilty, who unfortunately cannot be here today, a personal thank you for your efforts in helping me construct my thesis.

To each and every one of my 40-some-odd professors, bar none – thank you for your astute lecturing and your willingness to connect with the student body. Without you, we are nothing.



Yesssssssssss!



Current students (top)
celebrate with graduates
(bottom)

To the administrative team, who knew us all personally and were able to help us in times of need (or freaking out about wondering where our grades were, whether or not we can get our weekly copy of our transcript that we were sending out to employers, or what the heck was wrong with LexisNexis), thank you. Seth, Gintare, and Nari, thank you for all your help and advice as each and every one of us progressed through the program. To our tutors, thank you for the unique service that you do for us and helping us through especially those beginning couple of months where we all had no idea what we were doing.

And on a personal level, thank you to my parents and my sister for their unwavering support and their good-natured activism in ensuring that I reach the best of my abilities.

Thanks to my close American friends who gave me even more of a reason to stay up weird hours and make sure that I felt like I was home, even though I was 5,000 miles away. Thank you.

Perhaps most importantly, on a personal level, to the Class of 2011, each and every one of you – thank you. I flew into Munich yesterday morning, and I felt like I was home. Then I checked into a hotel and realized I wasn't. But seriously, I came into Munich in October of last year making a spreadsheet of TV shows I needed to watch and keep up with, hoping to get an episode or two in per night in an effort to keep myself busy and avoid potential homesickness. I never got even close. And I couldn't be happier. Everyone truly cares about each other in this class.

They told me to make a review and forecast. I don't have a forecast about our future. The only thing I can say is each and every one of us will be successful. Thank you all, for the best year of my life.

And to everyone, one last word to show you just how bilingual I have become over the past year. Really, I'm proud of myself here... Danke schön. Auf Wiedersehen.

Joel Gotkin



Professor Brauneis and Dean Hellwege

Administrative Director Margit Hinkel surrounded by students from four MIPLC classes



Four examples of the diversity found at the MIPLC

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4.14. Quality Management – Evaluation of the Academic Year 2010/11

4.14.1. Lecturer Evaluation

As every year, all students were encouraged to submit evaluations of their lecturers after each course. The standardized evaluation forms cover a variety of issues, such as reading materials provided before the class, the presentation of the materials, the professor's teaching style and ability to clearly convey relevant concepts, and the level to which students felt to have benefited from attending the course. All questions are graded on a scale from 1 to 5, with 1 being the best. In addition, students can make individual comments. For the academic year 2010/11, the faculty average reached an excellent 1.38, showing the high level of satisfaction among the student body.

4.14.2. Program Evaluation

At the end of the academic year, all students are asked to participate in a program evaluation exercise that covers the program's structure, the course content, the mentoring and support they have received, the MIPLC's equipment, their professional perspectives, and their overall level of satisfaction.

The following charts present the evaluation results of the past seven academic years including 2010/11. Figures 1 to 3 reflect the breadth of assessments given by all classes, and highlight the 2010/11 results. As they clearly indicate, the students have highly consistent opinions over the past academic years. In addition, their assessments are usually in the range of "very good" to "good." The overall satisfaction with the program in its current form is 1.32, an extremely satisfying result and indeed the best the program has ever achieved. The range of courses on offer was rated 1.53, which confirms the MIPLC's policy of further and steadily diversifying its curriculum. The students also expressed their satisfaction with extracurricular activities, such as lectures, roundtable discussions, etc., which scored 1.79.

A different scale is used to evaluate the length of individual courses. On this scale, 3.0 means that the course length should be maintained; anything above 3.0 indicates that students feel a course should be shorter, and anything below 3.0 indicates that it should be longer. All responses of the current year, as demonstrated in Figure 2, are within the range of 2.27 to 3.67, showing that students are satisfied with the content. The new courses introduced in 2010/11, Introduction to Competition Law, Media Law, Limitations and Exceptions in Copyright, and Copyright and the Changing Role of the Copy, scored 2.73, 2.50, 2.75, and 3.67, respectively. These results confirm that they are a valuable addition to the MIPLC curriculum.

Figure 1:
Students' evaluation of the structure and the content of the LL.M. program, on a scale from 1 (I completely agree) to 5 (I completely disagree). The light blue line demonstrates the spectrum of weighted average ratings for the classes 2004/05 through 2010/11. The dark blue dot indicates the average rating of the 2010/11 class.

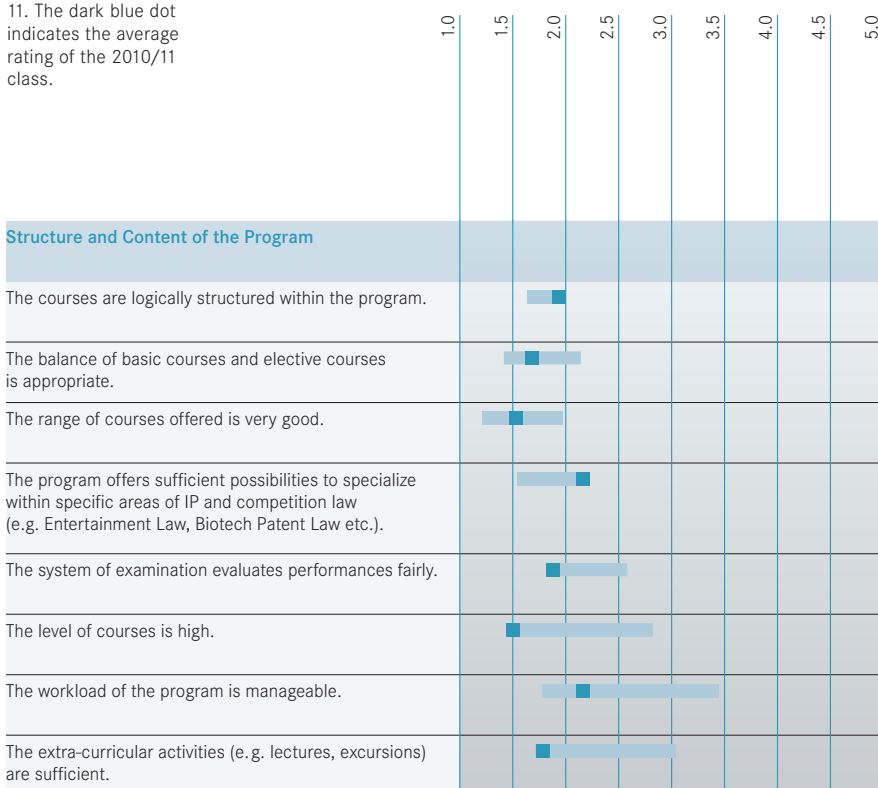
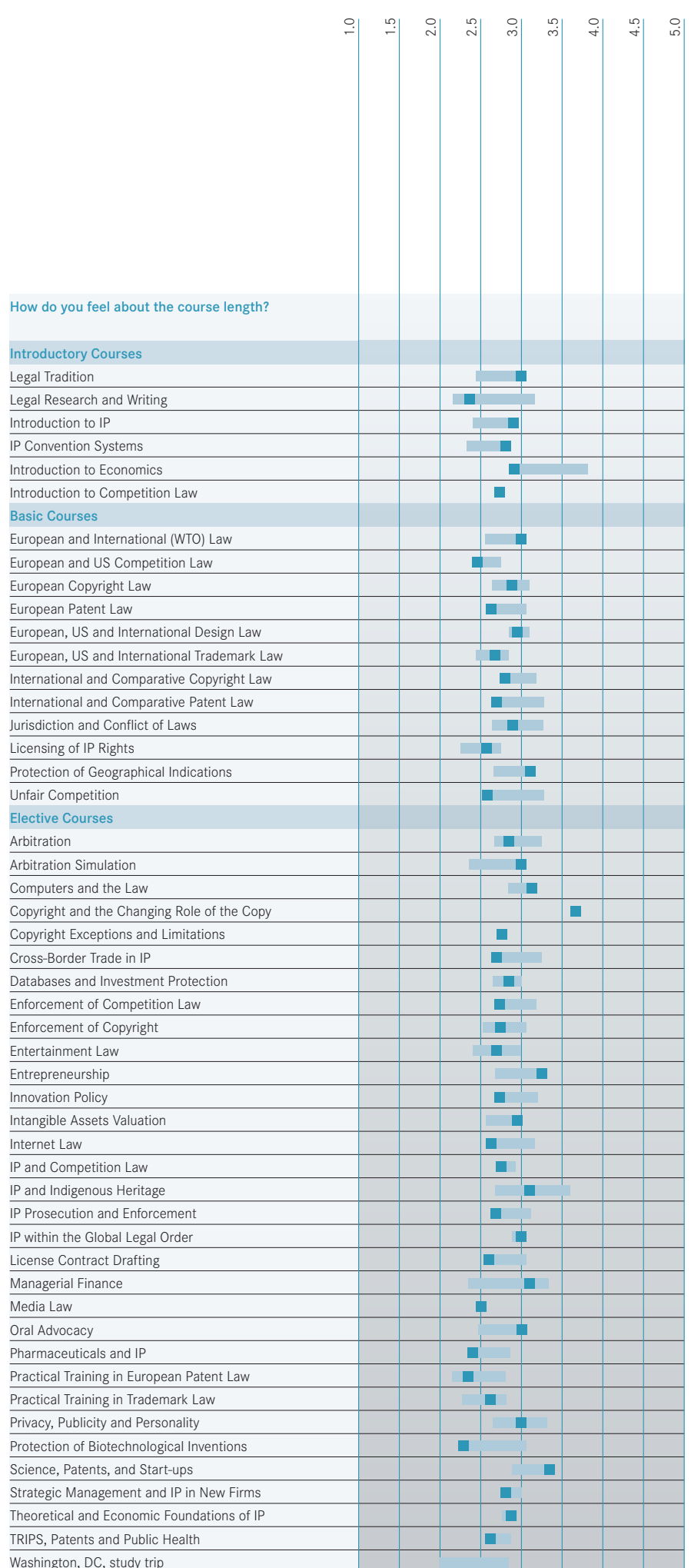


Figure 2:
Students' evaluation of the content of each course on a scale from 1 (increase strongly) to 5 (decrease strongly), with a value of 3 corresponding to "leave it as it is."
The light blue line demonstrates the spectrum of weighted average ratings for the classes 2004/05 through 2010/11. The dark blue dot indicates the average rating of the 2010/11 class.

The support provided by professors, tutors, and the MIPLC team again received high ratings, ranging from 1.53 for the support provided by the MIPLC team to 1.95 for mentoring provided regarding the Master's Thesis. This is very positive taking into consideration that most thesis supervisors reside outside of Munich and therefore provide their support predominantly by telephone or email when they are not in residence in Munich during their courses. The tutorials were rated 1.79 for educational support and 1.89 for individual support provided, demonstrating that the tutors take up an important position in their tutees' lives and provide support beyond the strictly academic.

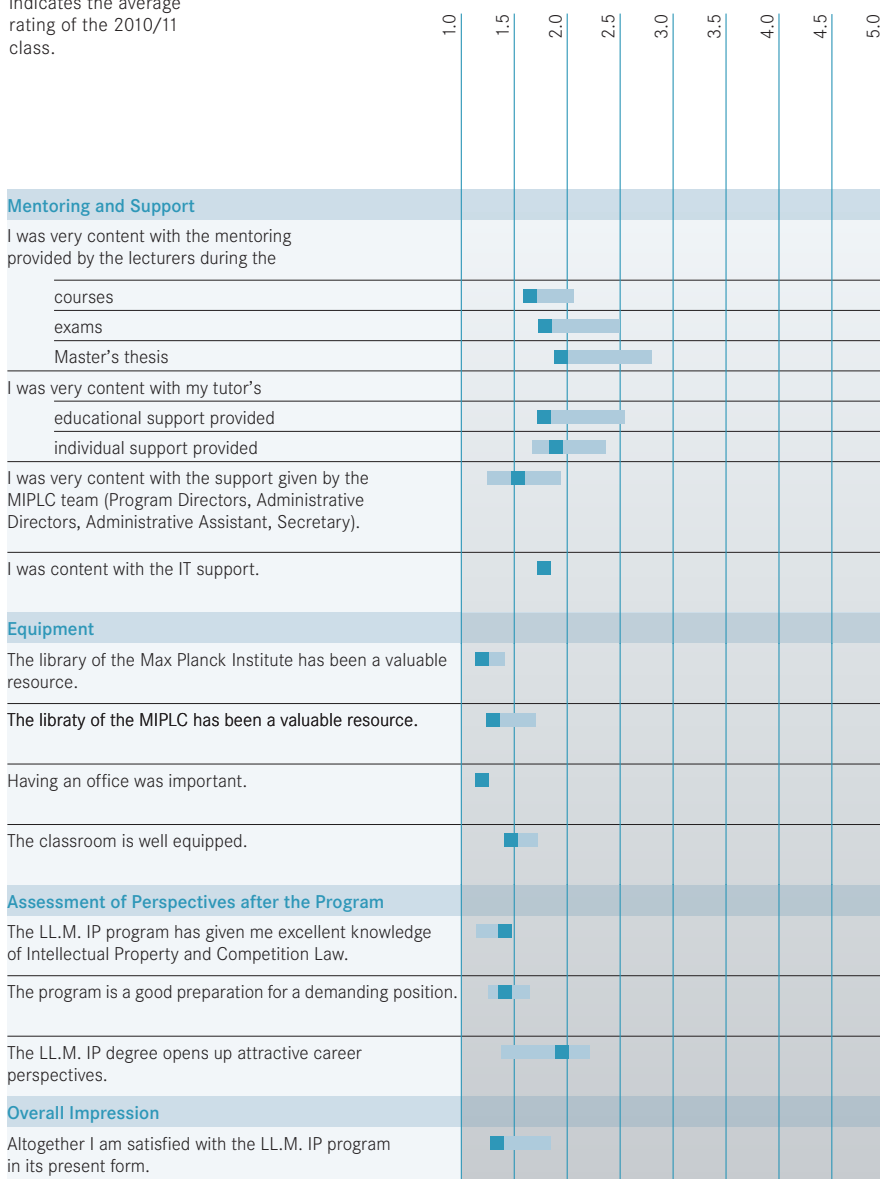
Confirming the experience of the past years, the MIPLC equipment was rated very highly, with the Max Planck Institute's library scoring the top rank at 1.21. Likewise, the importance of having an office was rated 1.21, confirming the – costly – policy of providing fully-equipped office space for each student. Even the lowest rating (1.47 for the equipment of the MIPLC classroom) is still excellent and shows that the students appreciate the facilities and working conditions at the MIPLC.

Students had extremely positive views of their post-MIPLC perspectives, rating 1.42 for excellent knowledge of IP and competition law gained; 1.42 for the preparation received for a demanding career; and 1.95 for attractive career perspectives.



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Figure 3:
Students' satisfaction with the support received during the program, the infrastructure, the career perspectives, and the program as a whole, on a scale from 1 (I completely agree) to 5 (I completely disagree). The light blue line demonstrates the spectrum of weighted average ratings for the classes 2004/05 through 2010/11. The dark blue dot indicates the average rating of the 2010/11 class.



4.15. Professional Perspectives – Career Steps Taken by the 2010/11 Graduates

Helping to build opportunities for successful careers for graduates of the LL.M. program is one of the most important goals of the MIPLC. Enjoying a productive career in intellectual property is understandably also a key motivation of most students who enter the program!

Each year MIPLC alumni have found excellent jobs, providing great opportunities for utilizing their knowledge and skills, in law firms, corporate legal departments, IP institutions, and government-run facilities. As was the case for previous graduates, the 2010/11 graduates received various forms of placement support, ranging from letters of recommendation given by members of the Managing Board or the faculty to direct introductions at law firms and companies. The MIPLC approach is, wherever possible, to provide personalized assistance catering to each individual's distinctive needs and strengths, rather than to follow a standardized formula for getting a job. The general result, it is hoped, is a good match between a graduate and an employer and, thereafter, a robust and productive long-term career prospect in IP.

After completion of the LL.M. program, the institutional scholars from Asia returned to their previous jobs. Several other graduates entered Ph.D. programs, including the one at MIPLC. Their classmates secured desirable positions in IP in their respective home countries, in Germany, or elsewhere. Employers included:

- Attorney General's Chambers, Singapore
- Bardehle Pagenberg, Munich
- Campos Ferreira, SA Carutiro & Associados, Lisbon, Portugal
- Grette Advokatfirma, Oslo, Norway
- Grünecker and Partners, Munich
- HoganLovells LLP, Düsseldorf
- Katzarov Patent and Trademark Attorneys, Geneva, Switzerland



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MIPLC has given me a very good knowledge to start my career in the IP field (trademarks in particular). I would like to thank the MIPLC team for all their efforts in organizing and running such a great program.

Olha Yampolska
Switzerland

- Oliff and Berridge PLC, St. Louis, MO, USA
- Reed Smith LLP, Munich
- Siemens AG, Munich
- Vereenigde Octrooibureaux N.V., Den Haag, Netherlands
- Vossius & Partner, Munich

An overview of the career steps taken by the students of the first eight MIPLC classes immediately after graduation is provided in Figure 4. Of the 198 graduates, 70% went to work for (patent) law firms; patent and trademark offices; government bodies; corporate IP or legal departments; universities; or as freelancers. A further 17% chose to continue their education by pursuing Ph.D.s (14%) or other graduate degrees. 2% of all graduates took leave, and for about 11% no initial information was available. It should be noted that this comparatively large chunk includes those recent graduates who have decided to take a break after graduation and are job-hunting.

A somewhat different picture emerges when looking at the current employment situation of all MIPLC graduates, as shown in Figure 5. A full 81% are employed with (patent) law firms; patent and trademark offices; government bodies; corporate IP or legal departments; universities; or work as freelancers. The section “Unknown” has shrunk considerably by eight percentage points and now consists exclusively of some of the most recent graduates who are looking for their ideal job. At the same time, the percentage of Ph.D. students and of students continuing their education with other graduate programs has remained relatively stable.

Figure 4:
Career Steps Taken by MIPLC Graduates Immediately After Graduation (Classes 2003/04 to 2010/11, totalling 198 graduates)

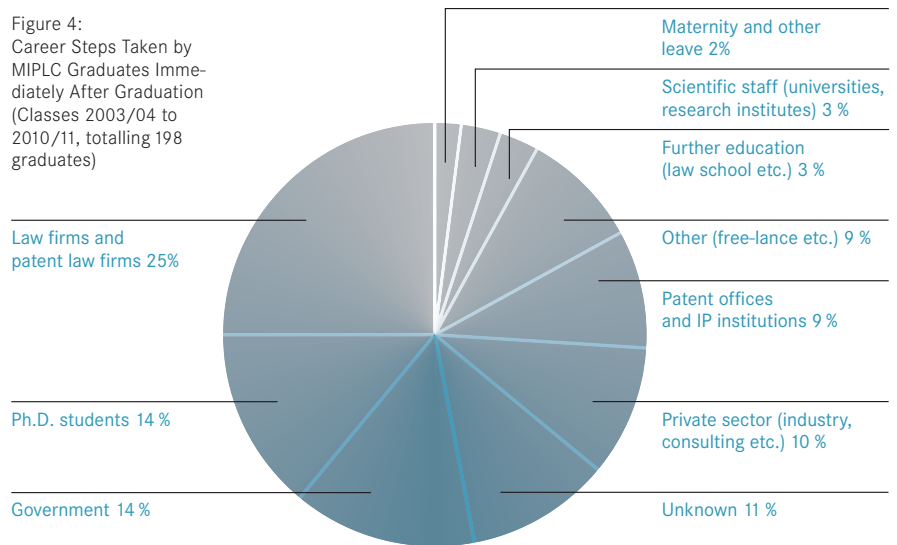
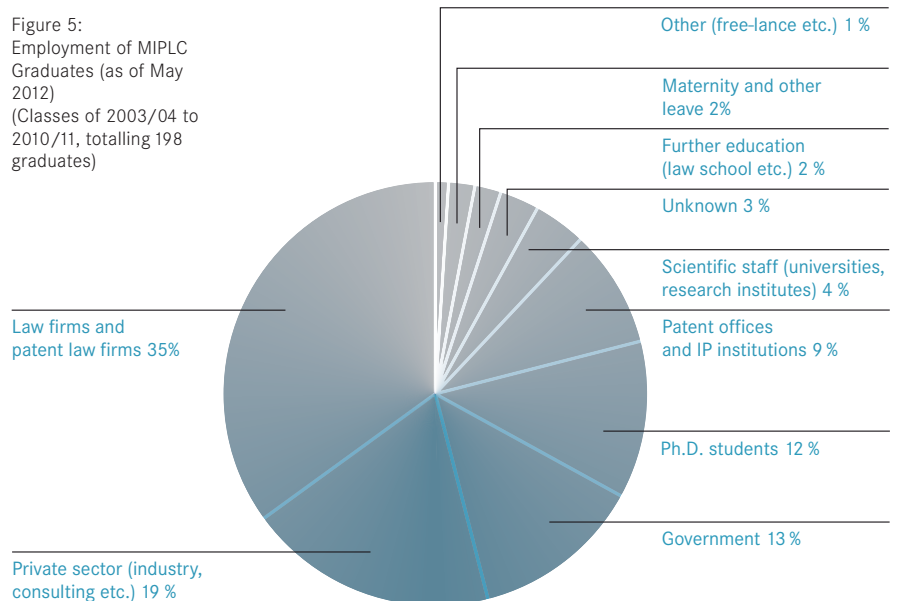


Figure 5:
Employment of MIPLC Graduates (as of May 2012) (Classes of 2003/04 to 2010/11, totalling 198 graduates)



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“The MIPLC program is very intense and demanding but within just one year you really learn a lot about IP law. Just how much I had learned I especially realized when I joined the IP department of an international law firm after the program. I also appreciate that the program does not focus only on European IP Law. It helps me a lot to have knowledge of other legal systems, too, as it makes it easier for me to understand my international clients and explain to them the European system in relation to their respective IP systems.

Kathrin Schlüter
Germany

What I consider
my most valuable experience at MIPLC:

“Apart from the educational outcomes, I believe studying in the international environment of the program and getting to know people from so many different countries was a unique experience in my life.

(From the Program Evaluation)

What I especially
liked about the program:

“The possibility to meet great people from so many different countries and the personalized attention by the MIPLC administrative staff.

(From the Program Evaluation)



“The diversity of students and faculty is quite unique and interesting. My classmates (31 in total) were from 19 countries, four continents, literally all over the world, and their backgrounds are also very varied, comprising lawyers, patent attorneys, judges, patent examiners, other Government staff, engineers, and so on. Our professors also come to the MIPLC all the way from various places. This diversity provides a very special experience; at least, you can make friends from all over the world!

Nobuyuki Hamanaka
Japan

What I consider
my most valuable experience at MIPLC:

“To study and share my life with so many nice people from so many different countries, discussing our different opinions on law related matters and thereby getting an impression of the different law systems and views of different cultures. By this I do not only include my classmates but also the brilliant professors who taught us a lot. It is an honour for me to have been one of their students.

(From the Program Evaluation)

4.16. Alumni Activities

In May 2011, a small-scale Alumni Get-Together took place in San Francisco, where a large segment of the IP world had congregated for the International Trademark Association (INTA) Annual Meeting. The Get-Together, held at a high-end hotel lounge in downtown San Francisco, was a great success that brought together alumni from four classes as well as professors such as WIPO's Erik Wilbers and Jay Hines of Cantor Colburn LLP.

Many thanks to Oliver Galindo, Class of 2009, for organizing this Get-Together!

In October 2011, alumni from four MIPLC classes assembled for dinner in Beijing on the occasion of Administrative Director Julia Pracht's stay in the Chinese capital. The dinner provided valuable networking opportunities for the alumni who work in various government organizations and law firms.

Alumni dinner in Beijing,
October 2011



5.3. Ph.D. Students

In 2010/11, one student submitted his completed Ph.D. thesis. Several other theses are now nearing completion. Three new students started work on their theses in October 2010.



Zecharias Fassil Berhe
Ethiopia



He Kan
China



Ugreson Maistry
South Africa



Nishanta Sampath Punchi Hewage
Sri Lanka



Hyewon Ahn
Korea



Rachel Alemu
Uganda



Maria Luisa Aranda Sales
Spain



Nicole van der Laan
The Netherlands

Patentability of Improvement Patents and Strategic Patenting

Hyewon Ahn

Korea (MIPLC graduate of 2009/10)

Regulation of Competition in the Liberalized Telecommunications Sector of a Developing Country: The Ugandan Experience

Rachel Alemu

Uganda (MIPLC graduate of 2008/09)

IP and Clean Technology: The Role of Collaborative IP Mechanisms in Accelerating Innovation and Dissemination of Renewable Energy Technologies

Maria Luisa Aranda Sales

Spain (MIPLC graduate of 2009/10)

Abuse of Dominant Position in Sub-Saharan African Countries: The Case Study of South Africa, Zambia and Ethiopia

Zecharias Fassil Berhe

Ethiopia (MIPLC graduate of 2007/08)

Shaping Copyright Policy for the Online Music Sector in China

He Kan

China (MIPLC graduate of 2009/10)

Determining the Extent of Patent Protection for Biotechnological Inventions in Terms of South African Law, Evaluating the Incentives of the Patent System for Biotechnological Innovation, and Understanding the Role of the South African Biotechnology Sector in Achieving Sustainable Development

Ugreson Maistry

South Africa (MIPLC graduate of 2007/08)

The Structuring of a Second-Tier Protection Regime Designed to Promote Innovations of Small and Medium Sized Enterprises in Developing Countries within the South Asian Regions; with Particular Emphasis on Sri Lanka

Nishanta Sampath Punchi Hewage

Sri Lanka (MIPLC graduate of 2008/09)

The Use of Trade Marks in Keyword Advertising

Nicole van der Laan

The Netherlands (MIPLC graduate of 2008/09)

5.4. EIPIN Doctoral Meeting

The EIPIN has flourished since I first took part in this event in 2008 and I was privileged to attend the EIPIN Doctoral Meeting in Alicante in 2011. As the Doctoral Meetings specifically aim to provide comments from various perspectives to further the research undertaken, I was very glad to be given an opportunity to present my work to a number of established academics and professionals as well as my peers. The setting was friendly and open and it provided me with a great platform upon which to feel comfortable to present my work. All members of the audience have an opportunity to comment, and most of them use the time.

After each presentation, a specific professor comments on your work and tries to provide assistance in areas where he or she thinks you could improve upon. I found this experience to be highly beneficial to me because it allowed me to come to terms with the nuts and bolts of my work. The comments that I received in regard to my doctorate in biotechnology patent law and innovation policy in South Africa really helped me steer my paper in the right direction in terms of themes, structure and issues. I am very happy that I was given the opportunity to attend the meeting and I can highly recommend it to future doctoral students no matter the stage of your research.

Ugreson Maistry

5. Research

5.5. MIPLC Lecture Series

In 2010/11, the MIPLC continued its successful lecture series in which international IP experts give talks. During the period covered by this report, the following lectures were given:

[Harnessing Intellectual Property for Business Dominance: The Indian Experience](#)

Dr. V.K. Unni

(Indian Institute of Management, Kolkata)
October 11, 2010

[Copyright and Access to Knowledge in South America: The Debates Regarding Copyright Law in Argentina, Brazil and Chile](#)

Lic. Beatriz Busaniche

(National University of Buenos Aires)
October 18, 2010

[Patent Rights, Patient Rights: The WHO's Role in the Intersection of Public Health and Innovation](#)

Susanne Weber-Mosdorf

(World Health Organization)
November 29, 2010

[A Trade Agreement Creating Barriers to International Trade? ACTA Border Enforcement and Generic Drugs in Transit](#)

Dr. Henning Große Ruse – Khan

(Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law)
January 17, 2011

[Substantive Patent Law Harmonization in the Current Global Context: Issues in Comparative Law and Policy](#)

Sylvie Strobel

(European Patent Office)
February 15, 2011

[The “Death of the Author” Debate in Anglo-Saxon Scholarship and Its Unwelcome Side Effects](#)

Dr. Andreas Rahmatian

(University of Glasgow)
June 6, 2011

5.6. Asia Roundtable

The Asia Roundtable, organized together with the MPI, serves as a forum to discuss IP issues related to Asia.

[Changing Trends in Indian IP Litigation: POST 2005 Analysis](#)

Dr. V.K. Unni

(Indian Institute of Management, India)
October 25, 2010

[IP Challenges for Tech Companies in China](#)

Mark Cohen

(Microsoft Corporation)
December 9, 2010

[The Reception Process of the “Reciprocal Interchangeability” Theory](#)

Professor Narufumi Kadomatsu

(Kobe University, Japan)
December 21, 2010

[Policy Reform in IPR Regimes from Grassroots Perspectives](#)

Professor Anil K. Gupta

(Indian Institute of Management, India)
February 11, 2011

[A General Clause on Limitations of Copyrights: Recent Discussions on a Japanese-Style “Fair Use” Clause](#)

Professor Tatsuhiro Ueno

(Rikkyo University, Japan)
February 22, 2011

5.7. MIPLC Studies Series

The MIPLC Studies Series, published by Nomos Verlagsgesellschaft, continued to publish outstanding Ph.D. and Master's theses.

Volume 8:

[Copyright, the Freedom of Expression and the Right to Information: Exploring a Potential Public Interest Exception to Copyright in Europe](#)

Sunimal Mendis

Volume 9:

[Enforcement of FRAND Commitments under Article 102 TFEU: The Nature of FRAND Defence in Patent Litigation](#)

Tuire Anniina Väisänen

Volume 11:

[Intellectual Property Related Generic Defense Strategies in the European Pharmaceutical Market: Implications of the EU Commission's Sector Inquiry from an IP, Competition Law and Economic Perspective](#)

Marc P. Philipp

Volume 12:

[Patentability of Chemical Selection Inventions: The Olanzapine and Escitalopram Decisions](#)

Hyewon Ahn

Volume 13:

[The Role of the Patent System in Stimulating Innovation and Technology Transfer for Climate Change: Including Aspects of Licensing and Competition Law](#)

Hee-Eun Kim

Of the class of 2010/11, three Master's theses were chosen for publication within the MIPLC Studies Series with Nomos:

[The United States Bayh-Dole Act and Its Effect on University Technology Transfer: An Assessment of the Successes and Shortfalls of the Act's Provisions, Its Future as Interpreted by the *Stanford v. Roche* Case, and Its International Implications](#)
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The next Ph.D. theses to be published in the MIPLC Studies Series will be:

[Contextual Brand Valuation: From Fundamental Issues and Analysis of the State of the Art to a Systematic Integrated Approach to Brand and Intellectual Property \(E\)Valuation](#)
Eva Riemann
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5.8. MIPLC Master's Thesis Series on SSRN

The MIPLC Master's Thesis Series on SSRN was set up to publish selected LL.M. theses that were recommended for publication by the supervisor but whose thematic or geographic focus is too narrow to attract a sufficiently large readership for the Nomos series. The theses are available for free download. Of the academic year 2010/11, the following theses were selected as part of the series:

[Should China Keep the Present Utility Model System? A Look at the Experiences of Germany, Japan, and the United States and the Prospects in China](#)
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5.9. Other Publications

[India's Plant Variety Protection Law: Historical and Implementation Perspectives](#)
Mrinalini Kochupillai
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6. MIPLC Advisory Boards

The MIPLC Scientific Advisory Board in session (not pictured: Professor Adelman)



Program Director Seth Ericsson reports on the academic year 2010/11

As stipulated by the founding Cooperation Agreement between the partners, the MIPLC has two Advisory Boards.

The **Scientific Advisory Board** advises the Managing Board on the MIPLC's research program as well as on financial issues.

For the Max Planck Research Unit, the Regulations of the Max Planck Society require a **Board of Trustees** to promote the relationship between the Center

and the general public interested in education and research in IP and adjacent areas.

In 2010, a change in Bavarian laws applicable to universities necessitated a rewriting of the MIPLC Cooperation Agreement. In this context, the governance structure was changed. Most importantly, the **MIPLC Fachbeirat** was dissolved. As of 2011, the MIPLC is supervised by the Scientific Advisory Board (which will be enlarged to include a total of nine members, five of whom are external) and the Board of Trustees. Additional review of MIPLC-driven research endeavors is provided by the Fachbeirat of the Max Planck Institute for Intellectual Property and Competition Law.

The Scientific Advisory Board meets on an annual basis; the Board of Trustees meets every even-numbered year with the next meeting scheduled for November 2012.

Magdalena Kolasa presents her LL.M. thesis on Distinctive Signs



6.1. Meeting of the Scientific Advisory Board

The Scientific Advisory Board met on November 11, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Following the welcome by Professor Drexl, Professor Brauneis and Seth Ericson presented an overview of the academic year 2010/11 and the developments of the LL.M. program. Moreover, Ms. Hinkel reported on the program's financial development. The subsequent discussion revolved around details of the MIPLC curriculum, website content, and possible PR/fundraising measures.

In the afternoon, the research activities of the past year were presented. In this context, Professor Drexl reported that the research activities of the MIPLC Program Directors were being integrated into the research concepts of the MPI, and that Dr. Surblyté would participate in a new project on innovation and competition law. He also pointed out the high importance that membership in EIPIN holds for the MIPLC: the proceedings of the 2010 Congress are about to be published as Volume 1 of the EIPIN Series at Edward Elgar. Similarly, the proceedings of the 2011 Congress will constitute Volume 2 of the same series. In February 2012, MIPLC will host the next EIPIN conference (topic: "Imitation as Innovation") as well as the doctoral meeting. With regard to the third area of MIPLC research, Professor Drexl reported that the class of 2010/11 produced a large number of excellent Master's theses many of which will be published, either in the MIPLC Book Series or on the MIPLC page of SSRN.

As every year, three students were invited to present their LL.M. and Ph.D. theses. Ugreson Maistry, MIPLC Class of 2008, introduced his Ph.D. thesis "Determining the Extent of Patent Protection for Biotechnological Inventions in Terms of South African Law, Evaluating the Incentives of the Patent System for Biotechnological Innovation, and Understanding the Role of the South African Biotechnology Sector in Achieving Sustainable Development," which is nearing completion.

Of the Class of 2011, Joel Gotkin and Magdalena Kolasa presented their theses entitled "The United States Bayh-Dole Act and Its Effect on University Technology Transfer: An Assessment of the Successes and Shortfalls of the Act's Provisions, Its Future as Interpreted by the *Stanford v. Roche* Case, and Its International Implications" and "The Scope and Limits of Protection for Distinctive Signs Against the Community Design – The Application and Implications of Art. 25(1)(e) of the Community Designs Regulation," respectively.

After the meeting, the Board members proceeded to Augsburg to attend the Graduation ceremony of the Class of 2011.

Professor Kort and Professor Möllers with Paramjeet Singh Berwal and Jan-Caspar Rebling, Class of 2011/12



Magdalena Kolasa and Joel Gotkin with Weiwei Han, Class of 2011/12



Professor Brauneis in discussion with Yuko Matsuya and Moses Muchiri, Class of 2011/12

Appendix 1: Curriculum

Introductory Courses

Legal Tradition (Civil Law & Common Law)
(Ann, Cornish, Crews) (1 CH, 0 cp)

Legal Research and Writing
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Introduction to IP
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(Kur) (0.25 CH, 0 cp)

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(Reinshagen) (1 CH, 0 cp)

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Basic Courses

European and International (WTO) Law
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Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws
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Unfair Competition
(Ohly) (1 CH, 1.5 cp)

What I especially
liked about the program:

“A wide choice of classes,
covering not only classical IP law,
but also competition
and related economics issues.

(From the Program Evaluation)

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Arbitration

(Karamanian, Wilbers) (1 CH, 1.5 cp)

Arbitration Simulation

(Karamanian) (0.5 CH, 0.75 cp)

Computer Crime

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Computers and the Law

(Dreier, Lehmann, Nack) (2 CH, 3 cp)

Copyright and the Changing Role of the Copy

(Brauneis) (1 CH, 1.5 cp)

Cross-Border Trade in IP

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Databases and Investment Protection

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Enforcement of Competition Law

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Enforcement of Copyright

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IP and Competition Law

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IP and Indigenous Heritage

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IP Prosecution and Enforcement

(Barufka, Kroher, McMahon, Pagenberg) (2 CH, 3 cp)

IP Within the Global Legal Order

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License Contract Drafting

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