

Standing Committee on

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Chair: Jan B. NORDEMANN
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1) Report on the activities of the Standing Committee during the reporting period

The Committee accompanied the latest developments for copyright and related rights on the WIPO level, in particular WIPO's sessions of the Standing Committee on Copyright and Related Rights (SCCR), which discussed i.a. the protection of broadcasting organizations and limitations and exceptions for libraries and archives and exceptions and limitations for educational and research institutions.

The Committee was involved in proposing topics for copyright Questions for AIPPI's Congress in Rio 2015 to the Programme Committee. It also helped drafting the working guidelines for Q246 to be discussed at AIPPI's Congress in Rio 2015.

The Committee consists of copyright specialists from more than 15 different countries with different backgrounds and expertise in copyright law. With its divergent membership, the Committee will be able to follow copyright developments at an international and regional level. In the last months, more experienced copyright lawyers for all over the world joined the Committee: Alessandro Cogo (Italy), Micheline Don (Netherlands), Gill Grassie (United Kingdom), Sophie Holcombe (United Kingdom), Giorgio Mondini (Italy), Luis Schmidt (Mexico), Kevin Tottis (USA), and Stefan Widmark (Sweden).

The Committee is focussed on studying and reporting on:

- The current status of international copyright and related rights, and
- Internationally important developments and international copyright and related rights in jurisdictions of AIPPI's membership.

The main task of the copyright Committee remains to discuss and propose copyright related "Qs" in topics for workshops to AIPPI. In this respect, several members of the Committee such Sanna Wolk (Sweden) and Jan Bernd Nordemann (Germany) were involved in drafting the "working guidelines" for Q246 "Exceptions and limitations to copyright protection for libraries, archives and educational and research institutions" authored by the responsible Reporter General Team. Q246 will be discussed in Rio 2015.

Previously, the Committee had already helped to identify "Q246 - Exceptions and limitations to copyright protection for libraries, archives and educational and research institutions". Sanna Wolk (Sweden) and Jan Bernd Nordemann (Germany) drafted an explanatory note for the General Reporter Team to explain to AIPPI members why this topic should be discussed by AIPPI in depth. The upcoming resolution on Q246 will also help the Committee's work at WIPO in Geneva (see below).

The Committee followed and participated in international copyright and related rights treaty negotiations. This is in particular true for WIPO activities in this area. Committee members Sanna Wolk (Sweden), Matthias Gottschalk (Switzerland) and Kevin Tottis (USA) followed sessions of WIPO's standing Committee on copyright and related rights (SCCR) in Geneva in December 2014 and June 2015, preparing and discussing for example a possible WIPO agreement on broadcaster's rights. Furthermore, limitations and exceptions for libraries and archives and exceptions and limitations for educational and research institutions were debated at SCCR in Geneva.

The European Union is discussing a copyright reform within the aim to create a Single Digital Market (DSM) in Europe. Specific proposals by the European Commission will be out in fall 2015. Our Committee will closely accompany these developments.

The Copyright Committee has continued its dialogue with the president of the international copyright association ALAI, Victor Nabhan. Both organizations, AIPPI and ALAI, are interested to identify synergy effects in copyright related work. Sanna Wolk (Sweden) and Jan Bernd Nordemann (Germany) agreed with Victor to exchange important information on each association's copyright work. Jan Bernd Nordemann (Germany) participated as an official representative of AIPPI at the ALAI conferences in Brussels (Belgium) in 2014 and in Bonn (Germany) in 2015.

- 2) Key issues/developments relevant to the Terms of Reference of the Standing Committee (arising during the reporting period or coming up)

not responded

- 3) Any recommendation for AIPPI involvement/action (describe what involvement/action is recommended and why, by whom and relevant time frames)

not responded

- 4) Plan for the activities of the Standing Committee for the next reporting period highlighting any priorities

not responded

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