In the year 2018, the Vietnamese National Group of AIPPI was involved in the following activities.

1. Organization and participation in programs/ conferences/ seminars/ workshops on IP topics

In 2018, the Vietnamese National Group of AIPPI, as a subgroup of the Vietnam Intellectual Property Association (VIPA) and operating under VIPA’s umbrella, organized and participated in the following IP-related programs/ conferences/ seminars/ workshops.

- The AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA’s umbrella, successfully organized a number of programs to support its members, such as Vietnam Competitive Trademarks - Well-Known Trademarks, Vietnam Top Brands - Golden Products - Golden Services, 3K Program, etc., in order to assist Vietnamese enterprises in the promotion and development of their brand names and creation of their business credibility.

- On 5 March 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA’s umbrella, in collaboration with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the International Trademark Association (INTA) and the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI), successfully organized a seminar for “Vietnamese Businesses on Protecting their IP Rights Overseas” in Ho Chi Minh City, with approximately 150 participants, aiming at improving the awareness of members on intellectual property.

- On 18 April 2018 in Hanoi and on 20 April 2018 in Ho Chi Minh City, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA’s umbrella, in collaboration with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the International Trademark Association (INTA) and the Vietnam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI), organized a workshop on “Vietnamese businesses and IPR enforcement under the revised Penal Code” with the participation of approximately 150 attendants.

- On 4 May 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA’s umbrella, in collaboration with the IP Vietnam, VCCI, the Department of Science and Technology of Quang Ninh province and the Business Association of Quang Ninh province, organized the workshop on “Strengthening intellectual property management in enterprises” in Quang Ninh province with more than 50 participants.

- On 24 July 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA’s umbrella, in collaboration with the IP Vietnam, organized a seminar on “Industrial property representative with innovations in the system” with approximately 100 delegates.

- On 30 July 2018, at the invitation of WIPO, Mr. Pham Nghiem Xuan Bac attended a workshop in Singapore to give a short introduction to VIPA, the challenges the association faces, and the 2019 action plan of VIPA, of which the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group is a member organization.

- From 30 July 2018 to 3 August 2018, at the invitation of the Korea Patent Attorneys Association (KPAA), Mrs. Nguyen Minh Huong on behalf of VIPA, of which the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group is a member organization, attended the 2018 IP Innovation Special Program in Seoul, Korea hosted by KPAA, which is designed to provide in-depth information on the US IP system and to learn some of the important issues and technology trends for startup companies in the era of AI and the 4th Industrial Revolution.
On 23 October 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA's umbrella, and several Vietnamese IP agents had a meeting to exchange IP knowledge and expertise and to share experiences in relation to IP activities with the Japan Patent Attorneys Association – Tokai Branch in Hanoi.

On 29 October 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA's umbrella, in collaboration with INTA, VCCI and the Inspectorate of Ministry of Science and Technology, successfully organized a workshop on “Brand in relation to strategies of enterprise development” with approximately 150 participants.

The AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA's umbrella, regularly sent staff to fully participate in activities of the Vietnam Union of Science and Technology Associations (VUSTA), VCCI, IP Vietnam, the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST), etc.

In addition, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA's umbrella, also attended a number of international conferences held by ASEAN IPA, INTA, APAA, etc.

It is worth noting that in the year 2018, the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group, operating under VIPA's umbrella, highly focused on business enterprises, with a hope that they will pay more attention and participate in the group. Young and/or in-house members are also encouraged to participate in the group.

2. Participation in the 2018 Questions/Questionnaires by AIPPI

The Vietnamese National Group participated in the following academic works in response to the following questions/questionnaires by AIPPI.

i. Study Question – Conflicting patent applications – by Nguyen Huong Giang, Ngo Thi Phuong Hoa

ii. Study Question – Partial designs – by Nguyen Vu Nam, Nguyen Ha Ly

iii. Study Question – Registrability of 3D trademarks – by Nguyen Thi Hoang Phuc

iv. Questionnaire – Standing Committee on Patents, Study on Inventor Remuneration – by Nguyen Nguyet Dzung

v. Questionnaire 2 – HCCH Judgements Project – by Nguyen Vu Quan

The above works have been assigned to the most appropriate members from different professional backgrounds for their preparation and implementation. Young members are also encouraged to participate in the works.

3. Participation in the Cancun Congress and the 2018 inaugural AIPPI ASEAN Regional Meeting

In 2018, the Vietnamese National Group of AIPPI was represented by two members at the Cancun Congress from 23-26 September 2018.

Also, representative members of the AIPPI Vietnamese National Group attended the inaugural AIPPI ASEAN Regional Meeting in April 2018 in Phnom Penh, Cambodia.

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