

AIPPI Activity Report 2019/20

Q1

What is your AIPPI group's name?

The Norwegian Group of AIPPI.

Q2

Please list the contributors to this 2019 Group Activity Report. (Max 3).

Name of lead author: Amund Brede Svendsen

Q3

Please indicate your group's activities in 2019, and include more details at the end.

Annual general meeting,
Social events for Group members,
Activities for encouraging /promoting IP awareness,
Other activities not already listed,

More details on the activities indicated:

In cooperation with the Norwegian association for the protection of industrial property, and sometimes in cooperation with the Norwegian copyright association, seminars and meetings with speakers on IP topics. Normally 1-2 seminars and 5-6 breakfast meetings per year.

In 2019 these events were held:

- Breakfast meeting 22 January 2019 Associate Even Flom- Grundstrøm: The requirement of individual character in design law
- 12 March 2019 Mini-seminar on licensing
 - a) Trademark licenses Associate Nora Bratheim, Wikborg Rein
 - b) The position of license agreements in bankruptcy, PhD student Morten Smedal Nadheim
- Annual meeting 30 April 2019 Hans Erik Johnsen, partner, Wiersholm: The proposal for a new Act for the protection of trade secrets
- Breakfast meeting 11 June 2019 Senior associate Marie Nesvik, Schjødt: Choice of law in intellectual property infringement cases
- Breakfast meeting 24 September 2019 Associate Tora K. Sandnes, Deloitte: the requirement that trademarks should be graphically reproducible
- Breakfast meeting 22 October 2019 The «JallaXXX» case Partners Marie Vaale-Hallberg of Kvale and Felix Reimers of Gjessing Reimers discussed a trademark/unfair competition case

□ 3 December 2019

Seminar on patent law

(a) Amendments of patent claims Managing associate Magnus Hauge Greaker
(Thommessen)

(b) Supplementary Protection Certificates – i the crossroads between patent law and
EEA law Partner Knut Sverre Skurdal Andresen (Schjødt)

Attendance is normally between 25 and 50.

Q4

What nomination activities for Standing and Statutory Committees happened in your NRG in 2019?

None.

Q5

What can you tell us about the Study Question preparation/submission process within your group? Please include details on the participation of members from different professional backgrounds and encouragement of young member participation.

It is often difficult to find members who are willing to work on the Study questions. Those who volunteer are mostly lawyers in private practice, and some patent engineers/patent attorneys. Industry participation is rare, and the same applies to members from academia. However, this may also be a reflection of the fact that the number of members from academia and industry are low. We have succeeded in involving some younger members in some of the Study groups in the last two or three years.

Q6

How did the NRG and its members participate in international AIPPI Committees work in 2019?

The Norwegian group submitted reports on two of the Study questions, and attended the EXCO meetings at the London congress.