

AIPPI Activity Report 2019/20

Q1

What is your AIPPI group's name?

The Polish Group.

Q2

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

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Q3

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

Annual general meeting,
Training/continuing education,
Submitted/published opinions with regard to IP issues,
Meetings with judges and/or officials of local PTO,
Social events for Group members,
Promotion of AIPPI at universities,
Other activities not already listed,

More details on the activities indicated:

The most important educational and social event in 2019 was a joint AIPPI seminar organized in Paris together with the French and German Groups.

The core activity of the Group in Poland is related to various legislative works, where the Group is involved as an independent expert NGO (including at the Parliamentary level). The Group has been in permanent contact with the PPO's leadership, in particular the new PPO President. The Group has been strongly involved in the process of establishing IP courts in Poland, both through legislative and lobbying, promotional efforts.

Q4

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



Any time there is an invitation from AIPPI to nominate members to Standing Committees, it is forwarded with some encouragement to all members of the Group. It happened at least once in 2019. If there is a volunteer, his/her application is always promoted by the Group's leadership.

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.

Following publication of Study Questions by the RGT, the Group's Secretary invites all Group's members to volunteer for work on each SQ. The aim is always to have all SQs covered, most preferably by the author groups of at least 2 members. Very few SQs are answered individually; most of them by groups of 2-4 members, usually from different law firms.

Participation of new (young) members is always encouraged. In any case, the draft report is always subject to review and approval by the Group's Board (President, Secretary, Reporter) before it is sent out to AIPPI. Discussion and consultation is always part of the process.

Q6

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

In 2019 the Polish Group had 11-13 members in Standing Committees, including one Vice Chair (Designs SC). The most important information about these SCs activities were communicated by the members to the Group's Board.