

LESI Committees:

End of Year Report for the 2023 International Management and Delegates Meeting (IMDM) – April 30, 2023

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Committee Name	Industry, University and Government Transactions
Chairs and Vice Chairs	Orakanoke Phanraksa (Co-Chair) Peter Ling (Co-Chair) Saara Inkinen (Vice Chair) Shiva Loccisano (Vice Chair)
LESI Board Liaison	Karin Hofmann

Action Plan

Committee Leadership

- Orakanoke Phanraksa has decided to step down as Co-Chair of the Committee as of the 2023 IMDM. She will stay on as a member of the Committee. The Committee thanks Orakanoke for her tireless work and boundless engagement in the last years. Orakanoke ensured the continuity of the work of the Committee during the pandemic and well after, contributed to organizing activities and chaired the Committee Meetings with great efficiency.
- The Committee respectfully proposes to the Board and the President:
 - o to re-appoint **Peter Ling as Co-Chair** of the Committee for another term;
 - o to appoint **Saara Inkinen as a new Co-Chair** of the Committee;
 - o to re-appoint **Shiva Loccisano as Vice Chair** of the Committee for another term.

Committee Name

- As announced in the Mid-Year Report, the Committee leadership has been discussing a possible **name change of the Committee**. "IUGT" is an unusual abbreviation and most people even within LESI are often not sure what it means. The Committee leadership is of the view that this name is also hindering better visibility of and interest in Committee activities.
 - The Committee leadership is proposing to re-name the Committee into "**Technology Transfer Committee**". Technology transfer is a concept that is well understood within the licensing community and describes the work, focus and interests of the Committee better than the current name.
 - The Committee respectfully asks the Board and the President to confirm that it is in agreement with the proposed new name.

Activities planned for the 2023/24 Term

- Review the IUGT's Charter on the LESI Website (Saara, Peter, and Orakanoke)
- Increased use of the LESI online platform https://connect.lesi.org/home (Saara)
- Pioneering IP for Young Scientists in Africa (Orakanoke)
- Performing a survey on some aspects of licensing with university technology transfer offices (Peter)

- Establish closer links to members and national societies by offering short 15-minute presentations on tech transfer topics in the new bi-monthly meetings (all)
- Organize a Technology Transfer Panel at the Pan-European LESI in Jerusalem (Shiva, Giacomo Garbagnati)

Achievement of Goals for 2022-2023

- TRIPS Waiver Seminar jointly with Education Committee Goal achieved
- LES Nouvelles Publication Goal not achieved
- IUGT Communication means improved Goal partly achieved: LESI Connect increasingly used to market and organize activities

Improving Connection with Members and National Societies

As from 2023, the Committee decided to change the format of the meetings. Instead
of meeting every month and dedicate the meeting to administrative issues, the
Committee is now meeting every other month and dedicating 15-25 minutes to a
presentation about a tech transfer-related topic.

Events / Webinars

- Saara Inkinen was a speaker on behalf of LESI IUGT at the 2023 Tech Collider event on March 29, 2023 (https://events.knowledge-share.eu/tech-collider-2023/?lang=en), organized by Netval in Italy, in collaboration with Vice-Chair Shiva Loccisano.
- Peter Ling organized an in-person LESI/LES Switzerland event on February 3, 2023 (after the 2023 Winter Planning Meeting) in Geneva about "Innovation as a Tool for Tackling Global Challenges"

Future Focus

- Increase the participants in the bi-monthly meetings by advertising the short presentations;
- Collaborating with other LESI committees in organising events and representing IUGT in relevant events
- Preparing a paper for LES Nouvelles on a Tech Transfer topic.