Draft Agenda

4th meeting of the Commission expert group on the development and implications of patent law in the field of biotechnology and genetic engineering

Brussels, 22 May 2014

'Cassis de Dijon' room, rue de Spa 2, 1000 Brussels

9.30-9.45: Arrival of the Members
9.45-9.50: Opening of the meeting
9.50-10.00: Adoption of the agenda for the 4th meeting (to the extent necessary)
10.00-10.15: Adoption of the summary minutes of the 3rd meeting (to the extent necessary)
10.15-10.45: Discussion and conclusion on the Commission’s preliminary views on the additional topics of the addendum to the 'mapping paper'
10.45-11.00: Coffee break
11.00-13.00: Deliberations of sub-groups (in parallel)
   a) Patentability of human stem cells
   b) Patentability of plant-related issues
13.00-14.00: Lunch break
14.00-15.30: Deliberations of sub-groups (in parallel) – cont.
15.30-17.00: Plenary session of the Group
   a) Update on the state of play of the interim report under preparation in the Commission services
   b) Possible invitation of ad hoc experts
   c) Plenary discussion of sub-group outcomes
17.00: AOB/ Closing of the session