

April 2008 Monthly Successes

Dear Friend of the Stockholm Network,

It is with great pleasure that I am enclosing our latest 'success note' for the month of April 2008, detailing our activities. If you would like any further information regarding any of the activities listed below, please contact Cara Walker, Head of Media and Communications: +44 207 354 8888.



2 April 2008

Helen Disney, Chief Executive of the Stockholm Network, attended a joint lunch hosted by UK think tank Reform and the BBC on the future of public service broadcasting. Speaking at the event was John Tate, the BBC's Head of Policy and Strategy on Ofcom's Second Review of Public Service Television Broadcasting. The event saw leading thinkers who are not directly involved in broadcasting examining both the rationale for and the future of Public Service Broadcasting. The purpose was to engage directly with leaders at the BBC to input views in advance of their submission.



5 April 2008

The Special Regime of Intellectual Property Rights for the Pharmaceutical Industry by James Killick, Axel Schulz and Anthony Dawes is the latest in the Stockholm Network's Experts' Series on Pharmaceutical Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs). The paper looks at the unique regulatory environment of the pharmaceutical industry, with a focus on the regime in Europe. The authors examine sector-specific IPRs granted in the EU to compensate pharmaceutical companies for the delays inherent in the regulatory system, namely Supplementary Protection Certificates (SPC) and regulatory data protection.

To download this publication, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/The Special IP Regime for Pharmaceuticals.pdf

To download an executive summary, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/The Special IP Regime Exec Summary I.pdf



10 April 2008

What is Wrong with Royalties in High-Technology Industries? by Damien Geradin, is the latest in the Stockholm Network's Experts' Series on Intellectual Property and Competition. Addressing the issue of whether something has gone wrong with royalties in high technology industries, this paper looks at a number of concrete scenarios where firms holding IPRs seek to obtain a return on their patent portfolios by licensing them.

To download this publication, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/Damien_Geradin___Royalties_in_High_Tech_Inds.pdf

To download an executive summary, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/Executive_Summary_3.pdf



12 April 2008

The Stockholm Network's Health and Welfare programme released a special French edition of its newsletter **Gesundheit!**. This issue featured articles focusing on health and welfare in Eastern Europe, with contributions from Philip Booth, from the Institute of Economic Affairs (UK) and Monika Kacinskiene, from the Lithuanian Free Market Institute (Lithuania), among others.

To download this publication, please visit:

 $\underline{http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/Gesundheit2_french_edition.pdf}$



14 April 2008

The Stockholm Network released an updated version of its regular publication, **The State of the Union**, which tracks the progress of market-oriented reform across all EU countries. This publication features 27 chapters - one per EU member state - contributed by a regional expert from our network of think tanks as well as by leading policymakers and thinkers.

To download this publication, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/SN SOU3 web.pdf

To download an executive summary, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/SOTU_exec_sum_final.pdf



14 April 2008

The Stockholm Network hosted its monthly **Amigo Society** debate in Brussels. Entitled 'Reform in Europe', it focused on the progress and prospects of economic reform in Europe. Johnny Munkhammar, author of *The Guide to Reform* was the guest speaker, and the event took place over lunch providing a networking opportunity for the attendees. The event also served as the Brussels launch of the Stockholm Network publication *The State of the Union* (see above). The event was attended by about 40 policy makers, MEPs, industry representatives and member think tanks.

For information on the event, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/conferences/events/previous.php



14 April 2008

The Stockholm Network, together with Maastricht University, hosted an event at Maastricht University Faculty of Law, the Netherlands, which focused on the recent WHO Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property.

Guest speakers at the event included representatives of the Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute, Maastricht University Faculty of Law, The Institute for Scientific Policy Analysis, Sciences Po, OECD, UNCTAD, the Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport of the Netherlands and the Stockholm Network. The event was attended by about 50 guests.



16 April 2008

The Stockholm Network's Intellectual Property and Competition programme released the latest issue of its newsletter *Know IP*. In this month's edition, *Volume 4, Issue 2*, issues discussed included the similarities between the Intellectual Property system & the current credit crisis, parallel imports in the US, the IGWG process and the problems with royalties in high tech industries.

To download this edition, please visit:

http://www.stockholm-network.org/downloads/publications/Know_IP_Vol_4_Issue_2_April_2008.pdf



21 – 27 April

Cara Walker, Head of Media and Communications and Susie Squire, Network Development Manager, of the Stockholm Network, attended the Heritage Foundation Resource Bank Meeting in Atlanta, USA. The conference brought together over 700 think tanks, policy makers, journalists and politicians to network and discuss policy issues.

Prior to the conference Cara spent three days in New York, during which she strengthened the Stockholm Network's media contacts and attended a number of events including a private dinner hosted by the American Spectator, the Manhattan Institute's fundraising dinner, attended by Henry Kissinger and Rudi Giuliani, and a lunch hosted by the Hudson Institute where the author and journalist, Christopher Hitchens, was the key note speaker. Susie Squire was in Washington during this time, meeting with a variety of free market policy makers and thinkers and also with US based think tanks that focus on European affairs. Susie also presented the work of the Stockholm Network at the Americans for Tax Reform's 'Wednesday Meeting'.



22 April 2008

Dr Tim Evans, Director of Development of the Stockholm Network was guest speaker at a dinner for members of the Benenden Healthcare Society. The event was held in York.



23 April 2008

Dr Tim Evans, Director of Development, represented the Stockholm Network at the Laing & Buisson dinner for senior executives from the UK's independent sector. The guest of honour was Chan Wheeler, Commercial Director of the Department of Health.



30 April 2008

Helen Disney, Chief Executive of the Stockholm Network, attended a BBC event at Millbank, London, on the future role of Public Service Broadcasting (PSB). Speaking at the event was acclaimed broadcaster Sir David Attenborough. The event was attended by 150 people from the worlds of media, business and politics.