

# Midland Fellows Meeting

## A CPD Seminar

The CPD seminar at this year's Midland Fellows Meeting addresses a variety of topics with a distinctly international flavour. Firstly, Anthony Tridico, of Finnegan, takes a look at inter partes reexamination, the US version of EPO oppositions, which has been growing in popularity, being used in conjunction with litigations and as a way to challenge newly issued patents. The second speaker is a German patent attorney talking about the filing of defences in the German infringement courts to see off injunctions from patent owners. Thirdly, Julyan Elbro of the IPO will bring us up to speed with the IPO's current thinking on software patents.

The seminar will be followed by an Ordinary General Meeting of CIPA, giving members an opportunity to discuss with the President and members of Council matters of moment. This will include a seminar from IPReg regarding the new regulatory arrangements for patent and trade mark attorneys and how IPReg is setting about this work, what it has done and what is left to do. Professional and lay members of the Board will give presentations and answer your questions. This part of the meeting will be open to members of both CIPA and ITMA.

The formal meeting is followed by a Happy Hour at which all members of CIPA & ITMA are welcome and the Midland Fellows Dinner at which members and guests are welcome.

## Programme

13.00	Registration opens. Tea and coffee served.
<b>13.30 – 16.35</b>	<b>The Midlands CPD Seminar</b>
13.30	Introduction – the Chairman
13.40	Inter partes Re-examination at the USPTO - <i>Anthony Tridico, Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett and Dunner LLP</i>
14.25	Letters of Protection (or How to Avoid a Preliminary Injunction) in Germany - <i>Stefan C. Waibel, Klunker, Schmitt-Nilson Hirsch, Munich</i>
15.10	Tea break
15.50	Patenting Software - an overview of current UKIPO practice - <i>Julyan Elbro, Divisional Director, Patents Directorate, IPO</i>
16.35	Seminar ends. Tea and coffee served
<b>17.00 – 18.00</b>	<b>The 778th Ordinary General Meeting of the Institute</b> Including IPReg seminar – open to members of both CIPA and ITMA.
<b>18.00</b>	<b>Happy Hour</b> (Drinks Reception)
<b>19.30</b>	<b>The Midland Fellows Dinner</b>

**Date** » **27 November 2009**

**Time** » 1.00 pm

**Location** » Strathallan Hotel, 225 Hagley Road, Edgbaston, Birmingham, West Midlands, B16 9RY

**Cost** » **CIPA Seminar**  
Member £ 86.25 (£75+VAT)  
Non-Member £129.38 (£112.50+VAT)

» **Dinner**  
Member £57.50 (£50+VAT)  
Non-Member £57.50 (£50+VAT)

» **OGM & IPReg Seminar and Happy Hour**  
Free of charge (CIPA and ITMA members, seminar delegates and dinner guests)

## Booking Form

If you would like to book a place(s), please complete this booking form and return with your remittance to

**Ivana Young** Events Administrator, CIPA, 95 Chancery Lane, London WC2A 1DT. Alternatively, fax to: 020 7430 0471 or email [ivana.young@cipa.org.uk](mailto:ivana.young@cipa.org.uk)

I would like to book ..... places for the Midland Fellows Meeting Seminar, and ..... places for the Dinner.

I enclose a cheque for £ ..... made payable to 'CIPA'.

Name ..... Company.....

Address.....

Daytime Telephone Number ..... Email.....

Additional Delegates' Names .....

Please state any additional dietary requirements .....

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