WORKSHOP
The Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement (ACTA)

Brussels
József Antall Building
Room JAN 4Q2
Thursday, 1 March 2012
(15.00-18.30)

PROGRAMME

15.00  Welcome and introduction to the workshop by
INTA Chairman Prof. Vital MOREIRA

15.15  Panel 1: A comprehensive assessment of the “Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement” (ACTA) and the EU IPR protection and enforcement-related trade policies.

Speakers: Mr Karel DE GUCHT, EU Commissioner for Trade
Dr Michael GEIST, University of Ottawa
Prof. Christophe GEIGER, CEIPI, University of Strasbourg

16.15  Panel 2: Presentation of the European Parliament’s External Study entitled “The Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement” (ACTA) (Policy Department, 2011)

Speakers: Prof. Anselm Kamperman SANDERS, Maastricht University
Prof. Dalindyebo SHABALALA, Maastricht University

The presentation will be followed by comments from the European Commission represented by Mr Pedro VELASCO MARTINS, Deputy Head of Unit, DG TRADE (B-3)

17.15  Panel 3: Specific aspects of ACTA

The EU acquis and ACTA: Are civil liberties under threat? - What will be the likely impact of ACTA on EU Member States’ national legislation on IPR enforcement?

Speakers: Dr Olivier VRINS, partner, ALTIUS Lawyers
Mr Rupert SCHLEGELMILCH, EC, Director, DG TRADE (B)
Is ACTA likely to restrict access to medicines in developing countries? Is ACTA a potential danger for trade in generic drugs?

Speakers: Dr Meir PUGATCH, University of Haifa
Mr Rupert SCHLEGELMILCH, EC, Director, DG TRADE (B)

18.15 Concluding remarks by INTA rapporteur Mr David MARTIN

18.25 Closure of the workshop by INTA Chairman Prof. Vital MOREIRA