



LESI Committees:

End of Year Report for the 2021 International Management and Delegates Meeting – May 19, 2021

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Committee Name	High Tech
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Action Plan

Committee Highlights from the Year

As relevant, consider addressing the following:

- Goals for 2020-2021? Did you meet these goals?
- Key topics discussed?
- Meetings / Calls?
- Events / Webinars executed?
- Resources / Work Products created (including articles for LES Nouvelles and Global News)?
- Suggestions for future focus / work to be done by the committee? (including any change in scope, updates to the Charter, etc)

Goals

Annual Meeting Workshops	We polled the committee membership and IABs and received a number of workshop proposals. In the end, the committee proposed four workshops to the meeting committee. The committee was fortunate to have all four workshops accepted. They are 1) Connected Vehicles, Cloud Computing, and IP (from Automotive IAB), 2) Rules of the FRAND Dance (committee chair developed – replay of Asia-Pacific workshop), 3) Recent Top Courts Decisions Restored Balance and Clarity in the Innovation Ecosystem (Roberto Dini) and 4) Don't Forget About Copyright When Licensing Designs
Keep IABs moving	Automotive is doing great. John Carney and Huimin Gong are doing a great job. Consumer Products is in bad shape. The list is getting smaller due to job changes over time and badly needs refreshed. We have not heard from IT & Software lately. Need to check on its status.

Refresh membership in Consumer Products IAB	This is always a stretch goal and the need is becoming pretty bad to refresh the IAB membership. However, no efforts were able to be made on it this year. It continues to be a goal.
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Meetings/Calls

None

Events/Webinars

See above for workshops for Annual Meeting

Did initial version of the FRAND Dance for the Asia Pacific meeting.

Automotive IAB met 3 or 4 times

Resources/Work Products

None beyond recorded workshops

Future focus

Key item is finding a new Asia-Pacific co-chair. After many years, Alfred Yip has had to step down due to increased day job activities. The Board should consider giving Alfred an award or certificate. Over a several year span he single handedly completed the long term goal of developing High Tech contacts in each Member Society. He was also instrumental in interacting with the Asia Pacific meeting committee in getting the spot for the FRAND Dance workshop.

Develop some sort of succession plan and vice chairs or some other structure. Sonya will likely be getting limited time as her day job gets busier and Keith will be looking to back down as part of his general work reduction (not retire, just work a lot less).