



LESI Committees:
End of Year Report for the 2022 International Management and Delegates Meeting – May 8, 2022
 Submitted: _____ (date)

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Action Plan

- As relevant, consider addressing the following:*
- Goals for 2021-2022? 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

<p>Annual Meeting Workshops and State of the Art Briefing</p>	<p>We polled the committee membership and Automotive IAB and received a number of workshop proposals. The committee proposed four workshops to the meeting committee. In the end, the Venice meeting committee chose an automotive topic as a State of the Industry Briefing. John Carney and Heinz Goddar collaborated to determine specific topics and find speakers.</p> <p>The committee was fortunate to have all four workshops accepted. They are 1) Automotive Industry Transformations - New challenges and opportunities in autonomous driving and connected cars (from Automotive IAB) – in addition to the State of the Industry Briefing, 2) Antitrust & Patent Law - Views from judges and government regulators on how antitrust and patent law cooperate in fostering innovation (from Roberto Dini), 3) Aggregation Is the New Black – Patent pool and other tools to remove friction from licensing transactions (from Mattia Fogliacco – Sisvel) and 4) EUROPEAN COMPETITION LAW - An overview of the new European framework & new block exemption regulations for vertical and</p>
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	<p>horizontal agreements (from Dario Paschetta)</p> <p>The Venice Meeting Committee also decided to have a Telecommunications State of the Industry Briefing, headed up by Sonja London, former High Tech Committee co-chair. This Briefing carries over into a workshop session on the same topics and same speakers. While this did not come from the Committee, as it is High Tech and a former co-chair, we include it here.</p>
Keep IABs moving	<p>Automotive is doing great. John Carney and Huimin Gong are doing a great job. We cannot say enough about their efforts.</p> <p>Consumer Products is in bad enough shape that I did not poll them for workshop topics. The list is getting smaller due to job changes over time and badly needs refreshed.</p> <p>IT & Software has gone dormant.</p>
Refresh membership in Consumer Products IAB	<p>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.</p>
Revive IT & Software IAB	<p>Hemang sent out some inquiries on interest to restart it, but no one volunteered to lead it. This continues to be a goal.</p>

Meetings/Calls

Basically, monthly co-chair calls since October or November. Probably a full committee call in early April.

Events/Webinars

See above for workshops for Annual Meeting
Automotive IAB met 3 or 4 times

Resources/Work Products

None beyond recorded workshops

Future focus

Key item is finding a new USA co-chair. Hemang Shah volunteered to be Asia co-chair, taking over from Alfred Yip. We are in the process of getting a European co-chair and vice co-chair. People have been identified and we are sending out the formal invitations.

Continuing to develop some sort of succession plan and vice chairs or some other structure. Keith wants to back down as part of his general work reduction (almost retire, but for sure work a lot less). No volunteers have been found to replace him, so this is now a key item. Hemang will take over the annual meeting workshop effort next year, having seen it happen once now.