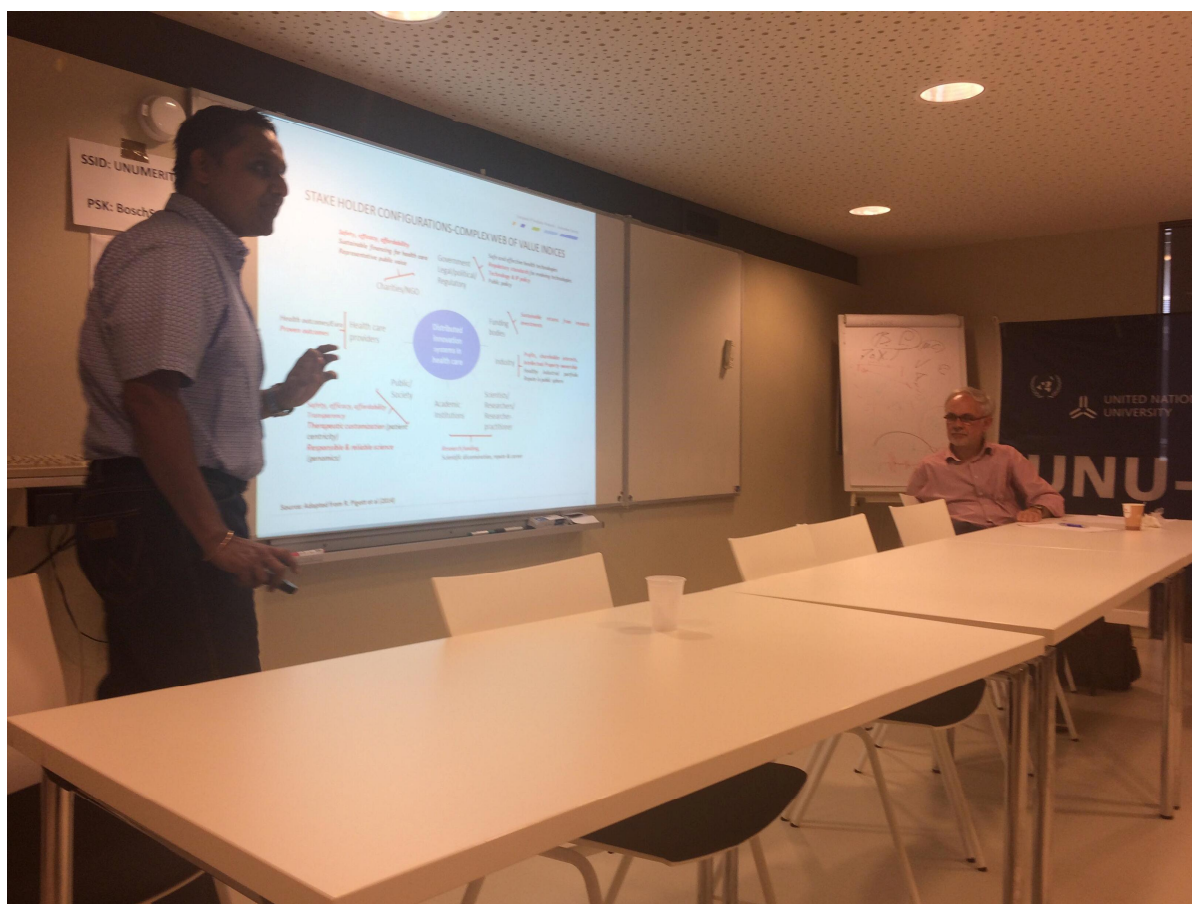


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**Some events where our Early Career Researchers have given a talk:**

- 1st IP Seminar of the Spanish Section of FICPI, 11 April, Barcelona (Vicente Zafrilla)
- Conference on Innovation and Communications Law, Milan, 3-4 May 2018 (Lucius Klobučník)
- Conference "Current issues in reforming the Ukrainian IPR system in view of the EU/Ukrainian FTA", Kiev, 25 May 2018 (Anastasiia Kyrylenko)
- Workshop "Hidden Values in Generating Scientific Evidence: Interdisciplinary Perspectives", Maastricht, 29 June 2018 (Krishnamani Jayaraman)



- IP Researchers Europe Conference, Geneva, 29 June 2018 (Letizia Tomada)
- Gdańsk IP Law Summer School 2018, Gdańsk, 27-30 June 2018  
(Francesca Mazzi, Lucius Klobučník, Gerben Hartman)



### Publications by ESRs:

Lucius Klobučník (with D. Campello Queiroz), "The role of traditional CMOs in the Digital Era", in the Internacional Association of Entertainment Lawyers' book titled Finding the Value in the Gap

Naina Khanna (with Jasmeet Gulati), "Knowledge/skills standards of a 'Person Skilled in Art': a concern less visited", *The John Marshal Review of Intellectual Property Law*, Vol. 17, Issue 4, pg. 588-607



## **EIPIN-IS trainings**

### **Social Sciences and Comparative Law Methods Training**

*by Francesca Mazzi*

The EIPIN Social Sciences and Comparative Law Methods Training was held at the lecture theatre of Centre for Commercial Law Studies of Queen Mary University of London from Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> of June until Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> of June.

During the first two days, prof. Lisa Webley from University of Birmingham presented three blocks of lectures, concerning respectively research questions and research design, qualitative methods and quantitative methods.

Specifically, prof. Lisa Webley introduced research theories in order to let ESRs familiarise with their stance in respect to research questions and research design and explaining the resulting crucial fit between question and methods. Additionally, detailed guidelines about collection of data and data analysis were provided, both for quantitative and qualitative research. Indeed, ESRs received valuable guidance to conduct interviews and surveys, from



practical and theoretical perspective. In conclusion, prof. Webley walked ESRs towards translating findings into authoritative academic outputs.

On Wednesday, prof. Guido Westkamp presented the session on comparative methods. He led ESRs through the fundamentals and the key methodological stages of comparative methods, explaining these with examples and cases.

Throughout the days of the training, ESRs enjoyed social lunches and dinners, having the opportunity to interact and discuss between themselves and with the professors and experiencing the British academic atmosphere.



## **EIPIN Congress "Enforcing IP in Trade and Investment Agreements: what safeguards for its social function?"**

*by Anastasiia Kyrylenko*

On April 25-26 2018, the 19<sup>th</sup> EIPIN Conference “Enforcing Intellectual Property

in Trade and Investment Agreements: what safeguards for its social function?" took place.

The event, organized by the five Universities forming the EIPIN Network, was held at the premises of the European Parliament in Strasbourg and brought together prominent scholars, researching on the interaction between intellectual property and the investment law. Landmark decisions of arbitral tribunals, such as "Philip Morris" and "Eli Lilly" cases, as well as the investment chapters in latest free trade agreements negotiated by the European Union (CETA, EU/Singapore), were used as a common thread for the discussions.

In addition, a recently initiated investment case, *Bridgestone vs. Panama*, was commented by several speakers. The question of the role for human rights and ethics in IP or investment disputes was addressed. Prospects and possible drawbacks of establishing a Multilateral Investment Court (MIC) for the settlement of investment disputes, pursued by the European Union, were debated by the speakers on the second day.

The two-day conference was finalized by a round table with speakers from the European Commission, European Parliament and French government, debating over the controversies and policy issues arising from IP and ISDS in the European Union. At the end of the second day, attendees were invited to a guided tour through the European Parliament premises.

After the EIPIN conference, a doctoral seminar took place on April 27 at the premises of the University of Strasbourg. The 15 EIPIN Early Stage Researchers (ESRs) presented their researches to the scholars, who had participated to the conference, with one specific commentator assigned to every PhD student. Preparation to the doctoral seminar included an exchange of presentations and preliminary results between the students, within their respective Work Packages, so as to receive comments from researchers with similar research interests. During the seminar itself, each ESR delivered a 10-minutes presentation,

followed by a vivid discussion with the audience. Researchers received a valuable feed-back on their research problems, research questions, methodology and structure used, both from the assigned commentator and from other fellow researchers present at the doctoral seminar.

Programme of the EIPIN Conference is available [here](#).

The conference was recorded and is available following [this link](#).

**More on our past events here**

### Upcoming activities

3-4 September 2018, Methods Training Munich

23-24-25 January 2019, 3rd EIPIN-Innovation Society Congress, Alicante



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