

Invitation to EU-Japan Policy Seminar

Seminar on Internet of Things (IoT) and 3D Printing in IP: A European/Japanese Comparative Analysis

Date & Time	Thursday, 1 March 2018, 13:30 - 17:30 (Registration 13:00 -)
Venue	Delegation of the European Union to Japan (Tokyo) (Europa House, 4-6-28 Minami-Azabu, Minato-ku Tokyo 106-0047)
Co-organised by	EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law, Murgitroyd Munich Office
Language	English/Japanese (simultaneous interpretation)
Participation	Free (pre-registration required)
Registration	https://www.eu-japan.eu/iot3dprinter-ip

Overview

This seminar will cast a light on how the new technologies of IoT and 3D printing may benefit from the current IP system and reciprocally, how the IP system has to be adapted to such cutting-edge technologies.

The key points of discussion will be the following:

- a) The current status of IoT and 3D printing from the point of view of intellectual property will be briefly reviewed. Exploring further, the commonalities and differences in the examination process of Japan and Europe through reviewing most recent IoT and 3D printing related patent applications and inventions.
- b) The scope and limit of the international framework of Intellectual Property will be reviewed with emphasis on Europe and Japan, to serve businesses in IoT and 3D printing.
- c) Impacts on businesses will be discussed in light of IoT and 3D printing stimulating new discussions in the IP sphere.

Programme

13:30-13:35	Opening Remarks by Mr. Gabriele Lo Monaco, First Secretary, Trade and Economic Section, Delegation of the European Union to Japan (tbc)
13:35-14:00	"Brief introduction of IoT and 3D printing and present status of patent applications in Japan" Speaker : Patent Attorney, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law - Tokyo
14:00-14:30	"Present state of IoT and 3D printing in Europe and status of patent applications in the field" Speaker: Patent Attorney, Murgitroyd - Munich Office
14:30-14:40	Coffee break
14:40-15:10	"New IP challenges of IoT and their impacts on business in Japan" Speaker: Patent Attorney, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law - Tokyo
15:10-15:40	"New IP challenges of IoT and their impacts on business in Europe"

Speaker: Patent Attorney, Murgitroyd - Munich Office

- 15:40-16:10 “New IP challenges of 3D printing and their impacts on business in Japan”
Speaker: Patent Attorney, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law - Tokyo
- 16:10-16:40 “New IP challenges of 3D printing and their impacts on business in Europe”
Speaker: Patent Attorney, Murgitroyd - Munich Office
- 16:40-16:50 Questions and Answers
- 16:50-17:25 Panel Discussion
Moderator: Mr. Luca Escoffier, EU-Japan Technology Transfer Helpdesk, Project Manager,
EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation
Panelists: all the speakers of the day
- 17:25-17:30 Closing Remarks by Mr. Luca Escoffier, EU-Japan Technology Transfer Helpdesk, Project
Manager, EU-Japan Centre for Industrial Cooperation
- 17:30-19:00 Networking Reception

Speakers:

1. Dr. Akira Fujii, Japanese Patent Attorney, Partner, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law – Tokyo;
2. Mr. Yoshitaka Togashi, Japanese Patent Attorney, Partner, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law – Tokyo;
3. Mr. Kazuyuki Semba, Japanese Patent Attorney, Sonoda & Kobayashi Intellectual Property Law – Tokyo;
4. Dr. Robert Boerner, German and European Patent Attorney, Director, Murgitroyd – Munich Office;
5. Dr. Ben Grau, German and European Patent Attorney, Murgitroyd – Munich Office.