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ISHTIP 9th Annual Workshop

International Society for the History and Theory of Intellectual Property event. Visit the [event website](#) for details.

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IP, Brexit, and the UPC: What You Need to Know

An AIPLA webinar. Click [here](#) for details.

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91st IPIC Annual Meeting

Niagara Falls, Ontario. Visit the [meeting website](#) for details.

Our warmest [congratulations](#) to the **Honourable Marshall Rothstein**, CC, QC, who was appointed a Companion of the Order of Canada.

Prof. David Vaver cited by the Supreme Court of Canada in [AstraZeneca Canada Inc. v. Apotex Inc.](#) (2017 SCC 36).

Australia passes [Copyright Amendment \(Disability, Access and Other Measures\) Bill 2017](#) to bring Australia's copyright laws into the digital age and improve access to copyright materials for people with a vision, hearing or intellectual disability.

CIPO is seeking feedback as part of their **public consultations** on the proposed regulatory amendments to the Industrial Design Regulations, the Trade-marks Regulations and the Patent Rules. Click [here](#) for details.

Call for Applications

IPilogue Editors

IP Osgoode is seeking law students from across Canada and around the world to be part of the IPilogue editorial team. Click [here](#) for details.

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) along with the Superintendency of Industry and Commerce (SIC) of the Republic of Colombia have both joined the [Global Patent Prosecution Highway](#) (GPPH) pilot program. The pilot program, which includes Canada and 23 other nations as participants, seeks to streamline and harmonize Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) guidelines so that participants can obtain corresponding patents faster, more efficiently, and with improved quality.

Connecting Canadians, Empowering Inclusive Innovation

July 12, 2017 by [Joseph Turcotte](#)

Innovation is, once again, a topic of great concern for Canadian policy makers and the commentariat. [And for good reason](#). Yet, at a time when (mainly foreign) companies – notably [Alphabet \(Google\)](#), [Apple](#), [Tesla](#), [Amazon](#), and [Facebook](#) – are lauded as being the 'world's most innovative' (for example, see [FastCompany](#) and the [Boston Consulting Group](#)) and are [transforming our everyday lives and the economy](#), it's easy to forget that the Government of Canada's plans for a national Innovation Agenda reach back to the days of the [Dot-com Bubble](#)— predating the staggering growth of the Google search engine, the launch of Apple's iPhone, Elon Musk's (of Tesla fame) sale of PayPal, Amazon's first profitable quarter, and Mark Zuckerberg's 18th birthday.

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#ISHTIP - Intellectual Property as Circulation and Control

July 6, 2017 by [IP Osgoode](#)

The [International Society for the History and Theory of Intellectual Property](#) (ISHTIP) will be holding its annual workshop in Toronto, July 12th-14th, 2017. Organized by the Centre for Innovation Law and Policy at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Law, and co-sponsored in part by Osgoode Hall Law School and IP Osgoode, the workshop will explore all aspects of the circulation/control dilemma from historical and contemporary perspectives. Modalities of control to be considered include: licensing practices; distribution and business models; collectivization; cultural appropriation; authors, inventors and ownership; criminal provisions; international trade agreements; technological means of control such as technological protection measures, anti-circumvention laws, search engines and aggregators; surveillance and policing by law enforcement agencies, ISPs, trolls; and organized resistance to corporate control by users and pirate movements.

The workshop agenda boasts an impressive line-up of pre-eminent and interdisciplinary IP scholars from around the globe including IP Osgoode's own [Prof. Carys Craig](#) and [Prof. Saptarishi Bandopadhyay](#), Osgoode's newest faculty appointee. For more information about the event, click [here](#).

Money Talk(s) and Competition Conflict: The CTS17 Regulatory Blockbuster

July 12, 2017 by [Prasang Shukla](#)

Earlier this month, I attended the [2017 Canadian Telecom Summit](#) and covered the [Regulatory Blockbuster panel](#). The Regulatory Blockbuster is an annual event where regulatory representatives from telecom companies (this year, TELUS, Rogers, Bell, and TekSavvy) and other representative stakeholders (this year featured the [Public Interest Advocacy Centre](#)) debate regulation, pricing, and future challenges to the telecommunications industry. The 2017 talk was foreshadowed by the comments of the [Hon. Navdeep Bains](#), Canada's Minister of Innovation, Science, and Economic Development, who spoke at the beginning of the Summit and issued [a clarion call to cut wireless and broadband rates and pushed for affordable pricing for Canadians](#).

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Disruptive Innovation and Digital Integration

July 12, 2017 by [Dominic Cerilli](#)

Despite persistent fears of a [surveillance state](#) and [artificial intelligence](#), the smart device market [continues to expand with little chance of collapse](#). According, some of the sessions at the [2017 Canadian Telecom Summit](#) (CTS17) focussed on how the telecommunications industry players in Canada are adapting to the rapid evolution of interconnected devices and an increasing shift to digital media.

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Privacy by Default: A Privacy and Cyber-Security Imperative in the IoT and Big-Data Age

July 12, 2017 by [Yonida Kouiko](#)

The rapid growth of big data technologies and Internet of Things (IoT) devices mandates the modernization of the Canadian privacy legislation, which establishes protection from both private companies and government agencies. The necessity of the upcoming reforms to the Canadian [Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act \(PIPEDA\)](#) and the [Privacy Act](#) was illustrated during the debate over [Cyber Security](#) on the first day of the [2017 Canadian Telecomm Summit](#) (CTS17). The issue is twofold: data storage and usage by [Internet giants](#) and [IoT manufacturers](#); and access and [storage](#) of individuals' personal information by government agencies, notably [law enforcement](#), on public security preferences.

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What's Innovative About Cryptocurrency and Hayek's "Free Market Money"? - Some Understated Obstacles in the Race for Blockchain Patents

July 12, 2017 by [Bruna Kalinoski](#)

If we are going to be fair, the cryptocurrency idea dates back to almost forty years ago. In an [article](#) published in the Wall Street Journal on August 19, 1977, [Friedrich Hayek](#) — the economist and philosopher whose work on a theory of money earned him a [Nobel Prize](#) — anticipated that many different types of money would eventually co-exist. Hayek foreshadowed a "[Free Market Money](#)", where private forms of currency would outcompete the public form, as private industry incrementally increased its participative role in issuing money.

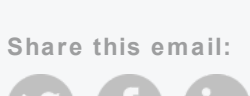
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