

Events

January 20, 2016

***IP Osgoode Speaks Series
featuring Jerry Agar***

“I Don’t Care About You” – a perspective on effectively leveraging broadcast media for your cause. [Click](#) for details.

February 3-5, 2016

***Orphan Works Licensing
Portal Hackathon***

[Click](#) for details. By invitation only, to participate, [click](#) here.

February 18-20, 2016

“East Meets West”

University of Washington School hosts Fourth Asia Pacific IP Forum in conjunction with 13th Annual WIPIP Colloquium. [Click](#) for details.

February 19-20, 2016

7th Annual Fox IP Moot

[Click](#) for details.

February 26-27, 2016

***International Patent Drafting
Competition***

University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and Windsor Law event. [Click](#) for competition rules.

March 2, 2016

***IP Osgoode Speaks Series
featuring Prof. Abraham
Drassinower***

On his new book “What’s Wrong with Copying?”, with comments by Prof. Carys Craig. 12:30 – 2:30 at

The IPIGRAM (21 December 2015)

Feature Posts



Happy Holidays from IP Osgoode!

December 21, 2015 by [IP Osgoode](#)

IP Osgoode wishes you a Happy Holiday and Innovative New Year! We appreciate your interest and support over the past year and look forward to another successful year. We will slow down over the holiday period and, after a short break, return in January 2016. We look forward to your participation in all of our upcoming IP Osgoode activities!

The Future of the IGF: Mandate Renewal?

December 21, 2015 [Luca Belli](#)



The re-posting of this [comment](#) is part of a cross-posting collaboration with [MediaLaws](#): Law and Policy of the Media in a Comparative Perspective.

This week, internet governance debates will centre on the UN General Assembly, which is due to make a decision about the future of the Internet Governance Forum (IGF); specifically, whether or not to renew its mandate. In advance of that decision, Luca Belli, Researcher at the Center for Technology

Osgoode Hall Law School. To register click [here](#) (use event code: drassinower)

March 9, 2016

Effective IP Strategy to Drive Innovation

Save the date! More details to come.

March 17-19, 2016

The 14th Oxford International Intellectual Property Moot

Taking place at Pembroke College, University of Oxford. [Click](#) for details.

IP Notes

SCC rules on the role of technological neutrality in copyright law in ***Canadian Broadcasting Corp. v. SODRAC 2003 Inc.*** Congratulations IP Osgoode's own **Prof. David Vaver** – SCC cites "*Intellectual Property Law: Copyright, Patents, Trade-marks, 2nd. ed.* Toronto: Irwin Law, 2011"

Intellectual Property Journal Call for Submissions

Submissions are welcomed to be considered for inclusion in the Intellectual Property Journal (IPJ). [Click](#) for details.



The Legislative Affairs Office of the State Council P. R. China has [released](#) proposed amendments to the Chinese patent law for public comment, along with an [explanation](#) prepared by SIPO. Comments

and Society (CTS) of Fundação Getulio Vargas Law School, Rio de Janeiro, outlines the value of the IGF and why he believes that its mandate should be renewed. This is the [second blog](#) to be published by the Media Policy Project which considers the issue of the IGF's mandate.

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The Not-So-Obvious Aspects of an Obviousness-Type Double Patenting Analysis

December 18, 2015 by [Corey McClary](#)

The granting of a patent has often been described as a [bargain](#) [1] between the government and the patentee. In exchange for the [exclusive right](#) [2] to make, construct, use and sell their invention, the inventor will disclose the details of their discovery and, upon the patent's expiry, the invention will be made available to members of the public to use as they wish. For this reason, there is a [prohibition](#) [3] against obtaining multiple patents for the same invention, otherwise known as double patenting.

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From Government Surveillance to Federal Data Breaches: Privacy Commissioner Tables Annual Report

December 21, 2015 by [Nolan Hurlburt](#)

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On December 10, 2015, the [Annual Report](#) of the Office of the Privacy Commissioner ("OPC") on the Privacy Act for 2014-2015 was tabled in Parliament. The Annual Report provides details on privacy trends and investigations involving Canadian federal departments for the past year.

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Republishing Mein Kampf: An Act of Respect to the Public Domain

December 18, 2015 by [Aicha Tohry](#)

New Year's Day is synonymous with new beginnings, and 2016 will be no exception. *Mein Kampf* ("My Struggle"), the manifesto in which Adolf Hitler explains his vision for Germany's future and his political ideologies, will be [falling into the public domain](#) on January 1st, 2016. A French

are due January 1, 2016.

publishing house named Fayard, along with a few German editors, have made the controversial decision to publish a version of the Nazi leader's book annotated with commentary by historians and various intellectuals. Copyright protected works become part of the public domain regularly, as terms of protection are limited. This particular book, however, has stirred controversy. In an open letter to Fayard, Jean-Luc Mélenchon, former French Minister of Vocational Education, stated his opposition to the publisher's project. In the letter, Mélenchon argues that providing a public domain version is insufficient justification to publish the manifesto. But, in reality, I believe that reediting *Mein Kampf* is as important in this day and age to the public domain as ever.

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