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To All AIPPI-US Division Members

Re: Formation of Milan Study Committees for the 2016 Congress

We have now received the detailed Study Questions for the coming year, which are linked below.

We will be forming our US Study Committees to draft reports in the course of the next few weeks. Some of you have already volunteered to join the Study Committees, but we could still use more help on each of the four topics, which are (click on the title to view the study question):

* **Patents:** Added matter: the standard for determining adequate support for amendment
* **Trademarks:** Requirements for protection for industrial designs
* **Copyrights:** Linking and making available on Internet
* **General/miscellaneous:** Security interests over intellectual property rights

Becoming involved in a Study Committee and working on a national group report is an excellent way to get involved in the work of AIPPI. The Study Questions are the main business of the annual congress, and of course will be a main feature of the Milan Congress this coming September.

The deadline for getting these Study Committee reports in to the AIPPI Reporter General team will be April 25, but our internal deadlines will be much earlier than that (to be determined), because our reports will have to be approved by the AIPPI-US Division Steering Committee, as well as the respective AIPLA substantive law committees, and the AIPLA board.

If you are interested in joining one of these AIPPI-US Milan Study Committees, and especially if you have any interest in being a chair or co-chair of a committee, please let me know by Friday, January 15, 2016. And if you have any questions about this, please let me know as well.

Phil Swain
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Upcoming Activities of AIPPI . . .

- **AIPPI Israel - From IP to NP, March 21-22, 2016**, Tel Aviv, Isreal, see also [AIPLA's IP Practice in Israel Delegation trip information](http://www.aiplaw.org/)
- **AIPPI World Congress, September 16-20, 2016**, Milan, Italy
- See the complete list of upcoming AIPPI programs at the following: [http://aippi.org/events/](http://aippi.org/events/)