

2009 sead

FICPI South East Asian
Drafting training course
BANGKOK, THAILAND

Closing date for applications:
6 March 2009

Practical hands-on training
in the preparation of patent
applications and claims

COURSE DATES

18 – 22 May 2009

28 September – 2 October 2009



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Invitation

You are invited to apply for the

South East Asian Drafting (Sead) Training Course 2009

Patent training course

The Fédération Internationale des Conseils en Propriété Industrielle (FICPI) has developed a training course to teach the drafting of patent specifications. The twelfth of these courses will be made available during 2009.

The Course

The course follows the successful format started in Singapore in 1997 and in Australia and Europe in 1999. It is divided into three (3) segments.

Segment 1 A series of tutorials and workshops will be presented over five (5) days from **18-22 May 2009**.

Segment 2 Students will be required to submit answers to four (4) drafting exercises over the following months by correspondence (one exercise approximately every four weeks). These will be assessed by the tutors and written comments sent to the students.

Segment 3 A second series of tutorials and workshops will be presented over five (5) days from **28 September to 2 October 2009**.

Course Emphasis

The emphasis of the course is on practical work. Following each lecture session students breakout into groups of about six (6) to work on an exercise. The exercise is then discussed at a plenary session before the next lecture or workshop begins. At the conclusion of the first segment students are given four (4) drafting exercises to work on, one at a time over the following four months.

The tutors comment on each paper in turn and review them as a whole during the third segment.

The course is directed to teaching the art of drafting. Tuition will be given in drafting techniques used in the major jurisdictions being Europe, United States of America and Japan.

Patent Training Course Certification

Students who satisfactorily complete the course will receive a certificate indicating they have done so at a satisfactory standard in Patent Drafting. Satisfactory completion of the course requires that all of the set assignments be completed.

Tutors

The panel of tutors is made up of very experienced patent professionals from Australia, Canada, Europe and the United States of America, supported by the FICPI Training and Education Commission.

Venue

Both series of tutorials will be at a hotel in Bangkok, Thailand. The cost of travel to Bangkok and accommodation must be met by students. Accommodation will be arranged at a preferred rate.

Bangkok students will make their own daily travel arrangements and FICPI will arrange any necessary daily travel for others. Lunches may be provided.

Costs

Students are required to make one payment of **US\$2,200.00** on acceptance to the course.

This payment covers the cost of all three segments of the course.

Entry Requirements

Students should have a prior elementary knowledge of the process of obtaining patents and have a demonstrable need to learn the art of drafting patent specifications. Students should be based in a South East Asian country and be competent to work in English. Admission to the course is at the sole discretion of the FICPI Training and Education Commission.

The course will be limited to 30 students.

Tutors

David Carmichael	Leader	Phillips Ormonde & Fitzpatrick, Australia
Karl Rackette	Member	Rackette Partnerschaft, Germany
Simon Roberts	Member	BT Group Legal Services, United Kingdom
Geoffrey DeKleine	Member	Borden Ladner Gervais LLP, Canada
Dennis Drehkoff	Member	Vedder Price, USA
Robert Hirons	Member	Cottspat Corporation, Canada



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Segment 1

FIRST SERIES OF TUTORIAL SESSIONS

- Introduction
 - explanation of SEAD Course
 - patent law and practice review
- Specification Structure
 - the description
 - drawings
 - claims
 - abstract
- Pre-Drafting Preparation
 - interviewing inventors
 - identifying the invention
- Approaches to Claim Drafting
 - functional analysis
- Drafting claims with reference to specific prior art
- Drafting a description to support claims
- Preparing an Abstract

The above topics will be covered via lectures, case studies and in workshops over the five (5) days. The emphasis will be on gaining practical experience via workshop activities.

Segment 2

CORRESPONDENCE ASSIGNMENTS

- Four drafting assignments
(each must be completed to gain a Certificate)

Segment 3

SECOND SERIES OF TUTORIAL SESSIONS

- Review of correspondence assignments
- Exercises – drafting of full patent specifications
- Consequences of drafting – review of example court decisions
- Amendments

The emphasis will again be on gaining practical experience via workshop activities.