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Intellectual Property and Knowledge Commons
**The impact of TRIPS and other legal systems on economy,
innovation and knowledge flows**

Monday, 4 December, 15:00 - 18:30 h
Tuesday, 5 December, 9:00 – 12:30 h
European Parliament, Brussels
Room 1 G 2, ASP Building,

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15:00 - 15:30 Welcome and Introduction

Chair: Frithjof Schmidt, Green MEP, Germany

15:30 - 17:00 Panel 1: The TRIPS economics of "Intellectual Property" and its effects on the flow of knowledge

Chair: Frithjof Schmidt, Green MEP, Germany

James Love Director of Consumer Project Technology (CPTech), Transatlantic Consumer Dialogue, Washington DC

Harvey Bale Secretary-General of the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturer Association (IFPMA), Geneva

Discussion

17:00 - 18:30 Panel 2: Knowledge Ownership and Sustainable Development

Chair: Alain Lipietz, Green MEP, France

Alejandro Neyra, Permanent Mission of Peru in Geneva * or

Begoña Venero, National Commission against Biopiracy, Peru *

The effects of patents on the use of traditional knowledge and the protection of biodiversity

Peter Einarsson, GRAIN, Sweden

The development impact of "Access and Benefit Sharing"

Discussion

Tuesday, 5 December

9:00 - 10:30 Panel 3: The Policy of Intellectual Property

Chair: Caroline Lucas, Green MEP, UK

Neth Dano, Third World Network (TWN), The Phillipines
The Paradigm clash on ownership between CBD and TRIPS

Charles Clift, Department for International Development (DfID), UK
What governs TRIPS, what shall govern Intellectual Property?

Discussion

10:30 - 12:30 Roundtable: Towards an economy of knowledge sharing

Chair: Eva Lichtenberger, Green MEP, Austria

Lead question:

How can we imagine a system of incentives that is promoting innovation and access to knowledge, while at the same time providing protection of knowledge and opportunities for the economic marketing of innovations?

Practitioners from different fields as participants:

- Séverine Dusollier, Professor, University of Namur, Belgium
- Pieter Hintjes, CEO, iMatix, Belgium
- Philippe Aigrain, CEO, Sopinspace, Société pour les espaces publics d'information
- Thomas Gebauer, Medico International, Germany
- Representative of a member of the EU Association of Small/Medium Industries (UAPME) *

* to be confirmed