

Title: Derwent World Patents Index on STN - Reloaded & Enhanced

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Description: This workshop will provide a practical review of the recent enhancements to the Derwent World Patents Index on STN. The focus will be on making the most effective use of recently enhanced Derwent WPI database content, and associated STN search and display options. Enhancements to Derwent WPI structure searching (DCR) backfile will be covered, as will practical tips on how best to search the new International Patent Classification (IPC) Edition 8 (2006) codes in the reloaded file. The workshop will be of value to novice, intermediate and expert patent searchers alike. This session is free-of-charge, but early registration is recommended, as space is limited.

Biography: Robert Austin has been the U.S. representative for FIZ Karlsruhe, the European partner of the Scientific and Technical Information Network (STN), since January 2001. In this role he specializes in technical training for STN patent databases throughout the United States, including the Derwent World Patents Index, GENESEQ (DGENE) and INPADOC. Prior to working for FIZ Karlsruhe he worked for 9 years at Derwent Information Ltd (now Thomson Scientific) in the United Kingdom consecutively in three roles: Patent Indexer, European Customer Trainer, and Product Manager for Derwent World Patents Index on Dialog, Questel.Orbit and STN. He graduated from Huddersfield University (UK) with a bachelors degree in Applied Chemistry in 1991, and has been searching and teaching STN since 1996.