# **PIUG 2015 Annual Conference Workshop**

# The EPO Patent Information Products Roadshow: Intelligence from Information

### Time and location

Saturday, May 2: 1:30pm – 4:30pm. Westin Lombard Yorktown Center room to be determined

#### Abstract

Knowledge is a powerful thing. Intelligence is the ability to apply knowledge to achieve actionable results. Knowledge comes from understanding information, and information is generated when data are codified.

This workshop will show you how the EPO's extensive patent data and comprehensive patent information, collected from multiple sources, worldwide, can deliver you the knowledge and intelligence to achieve the actionable results you need.

Actions need to be dynamic, and the workshop will also show you how to follow developments; publications, legal status, and even anticipate applicant behaviour, in a continuous way.

The session will include publication, legal status, citation, file wrapper, and classification data from Espacenet the European Patent Register and the new Global dossier service. We will use these to flesh out historic, contemporary, and just-breaking patent stories.

### Presenter

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Nigel Clarke is head of unit and responsible for the EPO's flagship online information services including Espacenet and the European Patent Register.

He specialised in physical chemistry, (with mathematics and physics) at the University of Exeter. Nigel's PhD was in neutron science and he carried out post-doctoral research on carbon fibres at the University of Surrey. Leaving academia, Nigel started work in the UK Scientific Civil Service in research and project management.

He joined the European Patent Office in The Hague as patent examiner and was subsequently IT project manager. Moving to the EPO in Vienna, Nigel took up the positions of international cooperation project manager, and then market researcher.

Nigel has wide experience of interfacing between research scientists and the IP world. He is a Member of the Royal Society of Chemistry, a Member of the Institute of Physics and a Chartered Scientist of the UK Science Council. He has published numerous scientific papers. He is a Visiting Academic Fellow for Innovation Creativity and Entrepreneurship at the Oxford Brookes Business School. He has authored or co-authored several book chapters and papers on patents, patent information, and innovation and has lectured widely on these topics. Nigel serves on the Editorial Board of the Elsevier Journal, World Patent Information.