

PIUG 2019 Annual Conference Workshop

Title: “Patent Insight Reports from the EPO: Future and Emerging Technologies”

Subtitle: *Do it yourself, DIY? Or get someone in, GSI?*

Time and location:

Tuesday, May 7: 3:55pm – 4:55pm; conference room to be determined

Abstract:

During the last couple of years, the EPO has started to produce and publish patent landscape reports. We call them “Patent Insight Reports”

Why have we waited so long to start?

Why do we do them the way we do them?

How do we choose the research topics?

Who are these reports aimed at?

Is there more to it than just the report?

What’s lined up for the future?

This workshop will answer these and any other questions you might want to bring along. On the other hand, we see this workshop as an opportunity – we want to learn from you too.

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He joined the EPO as patent examiner and was subsequently IT manager. Nigel later worked in international cooperation. After that he was Department Head responsible for Espacenet and the European Patent Register. He has authored book chapters and papers on patents, patent information, and innovation, and has lectured widely.

Leaving academia, Nigel joined the UK Scientific Civil Service, mainly researching focused energy beams for microanalysis. He published numerous scientific papers.

Nigel studied physical chemistry at Exeter University and holds a PhD in neutron science. He carried out post-doctoral research on carbon fibres at Surrey University.

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