

Agenda

Patent Quality Summit

March 25-26, 2015

USPTO Headquarters • Alexandria, VA

| DAY 1: March 25, 2015 MORNING SESSION - INTRODUCTION TO THE ENHANCED QUALITY INITIATIVE AND DISCUSSION OF THE IMPORTANCE OF QUALITY Livestream link: https://new.livestream.com/uspto/PatentQualitySummit (link is external) | | |
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| 8:30 to 8:40 am | Welcome. | |
| 8:40 to 9:00 am | Opening Remarks. | |
| 9:00 to 10:30 am | Perspectives on the Importance of Quality. Speakers: 1. Manny Schecter – IBM Corporation 2. Dennis Crouch – University of Missouri, School of Law 3. Chris Bullard – Practioner 4. Robert Budens – POPA President 5. Hilda Galvan – Jones Day 6. Roy Waldron – Pfizer Inc. 7. Judge Paul Michel - CAFC | |
| 10:30 to 10:45 am | Break. | |
| 10:45 to 12:00 pm | All Audience Discussion of Key Aspects of Quality | |
| 12:00 to 1:00 pm | Break for lunch. | |



| DAY 1: March 25, 2015 AFTERNOON SESSION - PROVIDING THE BEST POSSIBLE WORK PRODUCTS Livestream link: https://new.livestream.com/uspto/PatentQualitySummit (link is external) | | |
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| 1:00 to 1:30 pm | Pillar 1 (Excellence in work products): Overview of Currently Available Improvements. | |
| 1:30 to 1:45 pm | Introduction of Proposal 1 (Applicant Requests Prosecution Review) and Proposal 2 (Automated Pre-Examination Search). | |
| 1:45 to 2:30 pm | All Audience Discussion of Proposal 1 (Applicant Requests Prosecution Review) and Proposal 2 (Automated Pre-Examination Search). | |
| 2:30 to 2:45 pm | Break. Virtual attendees only: Please click the link for your desired brainstorming session below NOW. | |
| 2:45 to 4:45 pm | Brainstorming for Proposal 1 (Applicant Requests Prosecution Review) and Proposal 2 (Automated Pre-Examination Search). Small group break-out session to be followed by sharing of ideas with all audience. Virtual attendees only Proposal 1: ▶ https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto-events2/k2/j.php?MTID=t2b43078e68fde976d12a742d314b75d7 Proposal 2: ▶ https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto-events2/k2/j.php?MTID=teafb05f1570275322c480aa2c9eec51b | |
| 4:45 to 5 pm | Concluding Remarks. | |



| DAY 2: March 26, 2015 MORNING SESSION - ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATE QUALITY METRICS Livestream link: https://new.livestream.com/uspto/PatentQualitySummit (link is external) | | |
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| 8:30 to 8:45 am | Welcome. | |
| 8:45 to 9:15 am | Pillar 1 (Excellence in work products) and Pillar 2 (Excellence in measuring patent quality): Overview of Currently Available Improvements and the Quality Composite. | |
| 9:15 to 9:30 am | Introduction of Proposal 3 (Clarity of the Record) and Proposal 4 (Review of Quality Metrics). | |
| 9:30 to 10:15 am | All Audience Discussion of Proposal 3 (Clarity of the Record) and Proposal 4 (Review of Quality Metrics). | |
| 10:15 to 10:30 am | Break. Virtual attendees only: Please click the link for your desired brainstorming session below NOW. | |
| 10:30 to 12:30 pm | Brainstorming for Proposal 3 (Clarity of the Record) and Proposal 4 (Review of Quality Metrics). Small group break-out session to be followed by sharing of ideas with all audience. Virtual attendees only Proposal 3: ▶ https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto-events2/k2/j.php?MTID=te44c9655848f46214c1fadcd61bcd532 Proposal 4: ▶ https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto-events2/k2/j.php?MTID=td58a4760b07f72a2c5aac9c1309dce4d | |
| 12:30 to 1:30 pm | Break for lunch. | |



| DAY 2: March 26, 2015 AFTERNOON SESSION - IMPROVING THE CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE AND PROVIDING EXCELLENT CUSTOMER SERVICE Livestream link: https://new.livestream.com/uspto/PatentQualitySummit (link is external) | | |
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| | Pillar 3 (Excellence in customer service): Overview of Currently Available | |
| 1:30 to 2:00 pm | Improvements. | |
| 2:00 to 2:15 pm | Introduction of Proposal 5 (Compact Prosecution's Effect on Quality) and Proposal 6 (In-Person Interview Capability). | |
| 2:15 to 3:00 pm | All Audience Discussion of Proposal 5 (Compact Prosecution's Effect on Quality) and Proposal 6 (In-Person Interview Capability). | |
| 3:00 to 3:15 pm | Break. | |
| | Virtual attendees only: Please click the link for your desired brainstorming session below NOW. | |
| 3:15 to 5:15 pm | Brainstorming for Proposal 5 (Compact Prosecution's Effect on Quality) and | |
| | Proposal 6 (In-Person Interview Capability with All Examiners). Small group break-out session to be followed by sharing of ideas with all audience. | |
| | Virtual attendees only | |
| | Proposal 5: ► https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto- | |
| | events2/k2/j.php?MTID=t5d1d9d503ec3cfdc9832b255ec512c29 | |
| | Proposal 6: ► https://uspto-events2.webex.com/uspto-events2/k2/j.php?MTID=te6697b2ed31dc776b03d885f7273e39b | |
| 5:15 to 5:30 pm | Concluding Remarks and Next Steps. | |