

European Patent Network
**Annual meeting on
co-operation with
member states**

Agenda | 18 June 2025
Reykjavík, Iceland



Wednesday, 18 June 2025

Meeting venue:

Harpa Concert Hall and
Conference Centre,
Silfurberg room

Times indicated in local time (GMT)

Moderator:

*Mariana Karepova, Principal Director European
and International Affairs, Principal Advisor to
the President, EPO*

08.30 Registration

09.00 **Opening and welcome remarks**

Representative of the State of Iceland

*Borghildur Erlingsdóttir, Director General,
Icelandic Intellectual Property Office*

*António Campinos, President, European
Patent Office*

09.30 **Setting the scene**

*Gilles Requena, Principal Director Patent
Research and Policies, EPO*

09.45 **Panel I:**
**“Europe ventures forward: perspectives from
investors and start-ups”**
Panel Chair: Mariana Karepova

10.45 **Open floor discussion**
Facilitator: NPO representative

11.15 *Coffee break & group photo*

11.45 **Special session on AI**
*Angel Aledo Lopez, Chief Operating Officer
Operations/Chief Technology Officer, EPO*

12.30 *Lunch*

- 13.30** **Panel II:**
“The role of IP Offices in IP financing – EPN actions”
Panel Chair: Pere Arque Castells, Stream Leader for Legal and Innovation Policies at the Observatory, EPO
- 14.30** **Open floor discussion**
Facilitator: NPO representative
- 15.00** **Key takeaways**
Christoph Ernst, Vice President Legal and International Affairs, EPO
- 15.30** **Closing remarks**
Christoph Ernst
- 15.45** *Break*

- 16.00** **Young Inventors Prize Ceremony**
- 17.00** *Free time*
- 18.30** *Transfer to dinner venue*
- 19.30** Dinner jointly hosted by the European Patent Office and the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office