

NEW BULGARIAN UNIVERSITY, LAW DEPARTMENT

FONDS „KONSTANTIN AND ZINOVIA KATZAROV”, GENEVA

PROGRAM

ROUND TABLE

**100 years KATZAROFF’S PATENT DIRECTORY.
THE FUTURE OF PATENT INFORMATION**

12 NOVEMBER 2024

Hall 310 “prof. Petar Mutafchiev and prof. Vera Mutafchieva”, building 1

9:00 – 9:45 Opening

Asoc. prof. Dr. Ralitzza Kostadinova, Head of the Law Department

Welcome speech:

Asoc. prof. Dr. Juliana Galabinova, Deputy rector of a New Bulgarian University

Mr. Cvetan Simeonov, Chairman of the Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry

Mrs. Olya Dimitrova, Chairman of the Bulgarian Patent Office

Dr. Erik Evtimov, member of the Board of managers of the Katzarovi Fund at the University of Geneva, Switzerland

9:45 – 10:00 Coffee break

10:00 - 12:00

KATZAROFF'S PATENT DIRECTORY

Moderator: Prof. Dr. Veselina Maneva

Prof. Venelin Tsachevsky: *History of the creation of the Patent Directory*

Prof. Dr. Veselina Maneva, Law Department, NBU: *The editions of Katzarov's Patent Directory in Bulgaria from 1924 to 1957.*

Mr. Andrea Manola, Managing Director KATZAROV SA, Geneva: *The editions of Katzarov's Patent Directory in Geneva from 1967 to today. The future of KATZAROV'S MANUAL ON INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY*

Dr. Radostina Todorova, Director of the NBU Library: *Presentation of the digitized edition of the Katzarov's Patent Directory and the interactive electronic bibliography of the creativity of Prof. K. Katzarov*

Mr. Ivan Ivanov, National intellectual property portal IP Bulgaria: *The Katzarov's Patent Directory in aid of the Bulgarian industry*

DISCUSSION

12:00 – 13:00 – COCKTAIL

13:00 – 14:15

KATZAROFF'S PATENT DIRECTORY AND THE FUTURE OF PATENT INFORMATION

Moderator: Mr. Vladimir Josifov

Mr. Andrew Czajkowski, Director of: Technology and Innovation Support Division; IP for Innovators Department; IP and Innovation Ecosystems Sector, World Intellectual Property Organization, Geneva: *WIPO's Activities in Supporting Innovation & Creativity*

Mr. Vladimir Josifov, Longtime director in the World Intellectual Property Organization, Geneva: *Intellectual property - an unknown and neglected source of valuable information*

Mr. Vancho Damyanski, European Patent Attorney, Managing director of Berin IP Agency, Skopje, North Macedonia: *Patent Data as a Strategic Resource: insights and Tools for Innovation*

Mrs. Galya Aygarova, Director, Directorate „Examination and Protection of Inventions, Utility Models and Industrial Designs“, Bulgarian Patent Office: *Information services provided by the Patent Office*

14:15 – 14:30 - Coffee break

14:30 – 16: 00

ON SOME CURRENT ISSUES OF PATENT LAW

Moderator: Dr. Erik Evtimov

Dr. Tatyana Zhilova, judge at the Unified Patent Court: *The Unified Patent Court - challenges and perspectives*

Mr. Atanas Kostov, lawyer IUSautor, Plovdiv: *The EU regulation on artificial intelligence and what to expect from this regulatory legal norm?*

Assoc. prof. Dr. Silvia Tsoneva, Law Department, NBU: *Artificial Intelligence as an Inventor*

15:30 – 16:00

DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION OF THE ROUND TABLE

THE EVENT WAS ACCOMPANIED BY A SPECIALLY ORGANIZED EXHIBITION IN THE LIBRARY OF THE NBU, under the title:

“THE BOOKS ON AND ABOUT PROF, KONSTANTIN KATZAROV IN THE LIBRARY OF THE NBU”

The round table takes place with the media support of the National Intellectual Property Portal IP Bulgaria.

Information about the conference can be found on the website of the New Bulgarian University and on the website of the "Konstantin and Zinovia Katsarov" Foundation, Geneva/
www.fonds-katzarov.ch.