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## **STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE BEFORE THE EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE**

50th meeting  
Munich, 20 June 2018

(commencing at 10.00 h – ISAR Building, Room 128)

Subject:            Provisional agenda  
Drawn up by:     European Patent Office  
Addressees:      Members of SACEPO

## **PROVISIONAL AGENDA**

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| 1. Opening and adoption of the agenda                                  | SACEPO 1/18  |
| 2. President's report on the development of the European patent system | Oral report  |
| 3. Patent grant process  |              |
| • Update on Early Certainty – achievements                             | SACEPO 2/18  |
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| • e-Patent-Process: docx format, e-Notification                        | SACEPO 3/18  |
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| • Developments in fee payment issues                                   | Oral report  |
| 4. New technologies  |              |
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| • Standard Essential Patents and Role of patent offices                | SACEPO 6/18  |
| 5. Status report on  |              |
| • Unitary Patent and Unified Patent Court                              | Oral report  |
| 6. Reports from SACEPO Working Parties                                 | Oral reports |
| • Working Parties on Rules and on Guidelines                           |              |
| • Working Party on e-Patent-Process                                    |              |
| • Working Party on Quality   |              |
| • Working Party on Patent Documentation & Information                  |              |
| 7. Any other business and closure of meeting                           |              |

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