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## EPIP 2017 PHD WORKSHOP

“THE LAW & ECONOMICS OF PATENT PROCESSING”  
Bordeaux, 4 September 2017

### PROGRAMME

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9.00-9.15	INTRODUCTION	<b>Andrew Toole</b> (workshop chair; USPTO)
9.15-10.00	PROCEDURAL PERSPECTIVES	<b>Liesbet Paemen</b> (De Clercq & Partners, BE)
10.00-10.45	THE USE OF PATENTING FEES AS AN ECONOMIC MECHANISM FOR IMPROVING THE PATENT SYSTEM	<b>Gaétan de Rassenfosse</b> (EPFL, CH)
10.45-11.15	COFFEE BREAK	
11.15-12.00	OBSTACLE TO PRIOR ART SEARCHING BY THE TRILATERAL PATENT OFFICES	<b>Tetsuo Wada</b> (Gakushuin University, JP)
12.00-13.00	MAKING SENSE OF THE FOREIGN BIAS IN PATENT PROCESSING	<b>Yann Ménière</b> (EPO Chief Economist)

