

# **NRG Activity Report 2023**

NRG Name: Dutch Group

## NRG leadership

- Leadership team (changes)
  - In 2023 the board of the Dutch Group consisted of: Stef van Gompel (president), Bas Pinckaers (secretary), Anouk Boon (treasurer), Gwen ten Berge, Peter Blok, Peter de Lange, Tobias Cohen Jehoram, Joost Bekkers, Peter van Dongen, Marlous Stal-Hilders, Anne Marie Verschuur (new) and Pieter Veeze.
  - Furthermore, it was decided that as of 1 January 2024, Anne Marie Verschuur will take over as president of the Dutch Group, and Thijs Spigt was elected in the board, while Peter van Dongen is leaving the board.
  - The Dutch board includes members from private practice, industry, government and the judiciary.
- Leadership meetings
  - During 2023 the board met online and live for board meetings several times.

## **Membership developments (statistics)**

The number of members of the Dutch Group saw a significant increase in 2023: 495 members (2022: 458 members) of which 152 members are young members, 6 company members and 2 honorary members

## NRG membership activities - meetings

- The Dutch Group
  - organised the annual IP Symposium in Zeist with around 320 participants
  - organised a General members meeting in May and in December, which included a discussion of the reports for the 2023 Study Questions
  - organised educational and social sessions:
    - On 12 September a meeting on the Strategic enforcement of IP rights in China was held
    - On 18 December members gathered for a meeting on “Arbitration and mediation in IP disputes”
    - Two Young Members meetings took place (see also next slide)
    - During the World Congress in Istanbul a well attended reception (the “Oranjeborrel”) was held

## **NRG membership activities – Young Members**

- The Dutch Group has an active Young Members committee, consisting of Syb Terpstra (chairman), Berber van Wansem, Pien Haase and Martijn Timmermans.
- The Young Members committee organised two very successful visits (which also led to new young members applying): one to the Benelux Office for Intellectual Property in The Hague and one to ASML in Veldhoven.

## **NRG Study Questions activities and Resolutions promotion**

The Dutch Group has been active in answering the Study Questions for the international congress in Istanbul. Under the skilful leadership of secretary Bas Pinckaers, these were once again kept on track.

The Dutch Chairs of the 2023 Study Questions were Tjibbe Douma for Q284, Huib Berendschot for Q285 and Maurits Westerik for Q287. The Dutch Group did not submit a report for Q286.

The reports of the Dutch study groups were discussed with members during a general assembly in May and submitted to the international secretariat.

## **NRG representation etc.**

- Congress contribution
  - The Study Questions were discussed extensively at the International Congress in Istanbul. Dutch Study Committee representatives, speakers and panellists actively participated.
- Standing and Statutory Committees
  - There are several active Dutch members in the Standing and Statutory Committees, including in leadership positions.

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**Thank you!**