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Software is a basic component of the Information Society. The aim of this seminar is to analyze its legal protection (copyrights and patents) and some questions surrounding its dissemination. There are two basic models of disseminating software: proprietary licenses and open source licenses. While the second model is based on the idea of giving users more freedoms to exploit the software, open source supporters are not altruistic. They have other ways to make money. However, it is sustained that this category of licenses is more in favour of innovation. The first model is based on the idea of the owner keeping all rights over the software. While this is allowed by the IP system, it has several implications from the point of view of Competition Law. Furthermore, it hinders interoperability and standardization, thus innovation. Is software IP protection justified? Are proprietary software supporters really the bad guys? Would the promotion of open source software, interoperability and standardisation benefit innovation? Would the relaxation of IP protection prevent IT houses from invest in software development?.

PROGRAMME



Tuesday 25/05/2010	9:00 – 9:45 Copyright and other forms to protect software	Aurelio Lopez-Tarruella (University of Alicante)
	10:00 – 12:30 The Patentability of software in Europe	Mariano Riccheri (IP Consultant)
	13:00 – 14:30 Software Licensing	Aurelio Lopez-Tarruella (University of Alicante)
Wednesday 26/05/2010	9:00 – 10:15 Proprietary software licenses vs. Free open source software licenses (FLOSS Free Open Source Software)	Aurelio Lopez-Tarruella (University of Alicante)
	10:30 – 14:30 Doing Business with Open Source Software	Malcom Bain (Lawyer, ID Law Partners)
Thursday 27/05/2010	9:00 – 10:45 Standards, software and open source codes	Andrés Guadamuz (University of Edinburgh)
	11:00 – 12:45 IP in Software and Competition Law: the Microsoft and iTunes Cases	Begoña Uriarte (Landwell – PriceWaterHouseCooper)
	13:00 – 14:30 Round table: Interoperability, Standardisation and Competition Law	A. Guadamuz/ B. Uriarte/ M. Riccheri