

To help future WIPIP host schools, the University of Houston Law Center's IPIL Institute generated the graph below after hosting WIPIP 2019. The graph shows a future organizer what they might expect in terms of RSVPs that reach a peak value, and then reduce during the last few weeks before the event.
 For the final presenter schedule for WIPIP 2019, see: <http://www.law.uh.edu/wipip2019>

To fully understand the timing, certain dates are important.

- First, IPIL posted its registration form to the two email lists, cyberprofs and IPprofs, on 10/29/2018 (after several "save the date" emails during the prior two months).
- Second, the stated deadline for RSVPs was by 11/16/2018.
- Finally, the dates of WIPIP 2019 were Friday and Saturday, 2/8/19 and 2/9/19.

The legend for the graph below indicates two data lines.

- "Presenting" shows the count of Presenters who used a presentation slot (omitting the four co-presenters).
- "Attending" are persons who did not present but traveled to Houston to attend WIPIP 2019.

There is no data line for the total of Presenting and Attending.

For nearly a month, from mid-December until mid-January, the total of Presenting and Attending reached a peak of 95 several times. During the three weeks before WIPIP 2019, however, about 15% of the Presenters cancelled. These quantities include about a half-dozen UH Law Center IPIL faculty members, but those RSVPs did not change over time.

The general shape of the graph, including that the last few weeks before the event primarily indicate cancellations, has been confirmed by the WIPIP organizers for several years before 2019. How much to account for the reduction when making catering or transportation or other hosting commitments is a question, but potential organizers should expect some degree of reduction. If anyone would like the actual data table underlying this graph, please contact Greg Vetter using his contact information posted at www.gregvetter.org.

