



European Patent Litigation Certificate

Module 1 - Part 1

- The Unitary Patent System
- The Unified Patent Court in context

Trier & Luxembourg, 12-13 December 2022

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Key topics

- Introduction to the Unified Patent Court (UPC)
- Intellectual property in the context of the Unitary Patent System
- The link between the EPO and the UPC
- Role and function of the Court of Justice of the European Union in the context of the EU, and link with the UPC

Language English

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Organisers

ERA (Florence Hartmann-Vareilles) and University of Maastricht (Prof. Anselm Kamperman Sanders)

This training session is part of the qualification course for the

European Patent Litigation Certificate



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Monday, 12 December 2022 08:30 Arrival and registration of participants 08:45 Welcome words Florence Hartmann-Vareilles, Anselm Kamperman Sanders

09:00 Introduction to the EPLC programme Florence Hartmann-Vareilles, Anselm Kamperman Sanders

I. INTRODUCTION TO THE UNIFIED PATENT COURT

09:30	General introduction on the Unified Patent Court Sam Granata
10:15	Q&A and discussion
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	Intellectual property and the Unitary Patent System

Anselm Kamperman Sanders, Dick van Engelen

11:45 Q&A and discussion

12:00 The role of the European Patent Office in the context of the UPC Juliane Kotzur

12:45 Q&A and discussion

13:00 Lunch

14:00 The competences of the UPC
Anselm Kamperman Sanders, Dick van Engelen

15:45 Q&A and discussion

16:00 Role and function of the Court of Justice of the European Union in the context of the European Union, and link with the UPC Alexandre Geulette

17:00 Q&A and discussion

17:15 End of first day

19:15 Course dinner

Tuesday, 13 December 2022

II. HEARING AT THE COURT OF JUSTICE OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

07:00 Departure by bus from ERA to Luxembourg	
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07:45 Arrival and registration at the CJEU

08:15 Briefing on a pending case

09:00 Hearing of a pending case

11:30 Presentation of the CJEU

12:15 Return to ERA via Airport Luxembourg

13:15 Lunch

14:00 End of Module 1 - Part 1

Objective

This introductory session is the first of a series of face-to-face and online modules leading to the appropriate qualification for European patent attorneys to represent parties before the Unified Patent Court according to Article 48 AUPC.

This first intensive face-to-face training event will include a hearing at the Court of Justice of the European Union (Luxembourg).

Who should attend?

European patent attorneys who are entitled to act as professional representatives before the EPO in accordance with Article 134 EPC.

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Programme of the EPLC Course 2022-2023

This course leads to the appropriate qualification for European patent attorneys (who are entitled to act as professional representatives before the EPO in accordance with Article 134 EPC) to represent parties before the Unified Patent Court according to Article 48 AUPC.

The European Patent Litigation Certificate (EPLC) is designed specifically for European patent attorneys in light of the particular needs of the profession.

The course will be composed of both online and face-to-face training from December 2022 to July 2023. Almost half of the course will be organised online. Participants can work using their own devices at home or in their offices. This will be reinforced by several short stays in Trier, during which participants will undergo intensive face-to-face training comprising interactive and practical exercises.

After online and oral examinations, the participating patent attorneys will be granted the EPLC entitling them to represent parties before the UPC.

Terms & Conditions

Participation

According to Article 48 UPCA, to be able to represent a party before the Court, the patent attorney should first be entitled to act as a professional representative before the European Patent Office in accordance with Article 134 EPC. Proof of the entitlement will therefore be requested from participants wishing to obtain the EPLC.

National patent attorneys with knowledge and experience in patent law and litigation may be accepted on the basis of a proven track record.

Travel & Accommodation

Participants will organise their own travel and accommodation.

Language

Participants should have a working knowledge of English.

Costs

Fee for the entire EPLC programme: € 3800

The price includes lunches and coffee breaks served during the face-to-face training sessions.

Calendar of face-to-face activities

Module 1:

Basics of EU Law (Part 1)

Trier, Luxembourg, 12-13 December 2022

Module 4:

The Unitary Patent: Regulations 1257/2012 and 1260/2012

and

Module 6:

Introduction to the Unified Patent Court

Trier, 13-17 March 2023

Module 7:

Introduction to the UPC rules of procedure

and

Module 8:

Practice and case management before

he UPC

Trier, 10-15 July 2023

Written and oral examination

Trier, 15 July 2023

Calendar of online activities

Module 1:

Basics of EU Law Part 2

Module 2:

Private law

Module 3:

Patent law in the EU

Module 5:

Enforcement of rights

Online examination

