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# **Unitary Patent & Unified Patent Court**

Roadshow for professional representatives

Programme

30 May 2017  
Barcelona, Spain

## Tuesday, 30 May 2017

8.30 – 9.00	Registration
9.00 – 10.40	<b>The Unitary Patent (UP)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• From Community Patent to Unitary Patent</li><li>• Unitary Patent: the basics</li><li>• Procedures before the European Patent Office</li><li>• Fees and other financial aspects</li><li>• Information to the public</li><li>• Issues relating to the UPP system</li><li>• Appeals and Interlocutory Revision</li></ul>
10.40 – 11.00	Coffee break
11.00 – 12.40	<b>The Unitary Patent (UP) (continued)</b>
12.40 – 13.30	Lunch break
13.30 – 15.00	<b>The Unified Patent Court (UPC)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UPC structure, jurisdiction and territorial scope</li><li>• How and when will the UPC become operational? Phasing-in period and activities before entry into force</li><li>• General overview over procedure; patent infringement actions, revocation actions, provisional measures, evidence and languages</li><li>• Relationship between parallel or subsequent EPO opposition proceedings and UPC-actions</li><li>• Costs of proceedings</li></ul>
15.00 – 15.20	Coffee break
15.20 – 16.00	<b>The Unified Patent Court (UPC)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Role of Patent Attorneys at UPC; representation, privileges and Code of Conduct</li><li>• UPC Register; “opt-out” and “opt-in” procedures</li></ul>
16.00 – 16.40	<b>Strategic considerations for patent protection in Europe</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Unitary patent protection or classical EP bundle patent protection?</li><li>• Which patents to opt-out?</li></ul>
16.40 – 17.00	<b>Question and answer session</b>
17.00	<b>End of the Seminar</b>

## Speakers



**Manolis Samuelides**

Member of the European Patent Institute (**epi**) since 1999. He was a patent examiner at the European Patent Office (1987-1992) and Vice President (1995 - 1997) and CEO (2001-2005) at the Organization of Industrial Property in Greece. He was member of the Greek delegation in the Administrative Council of the European Patent Office and in the Governing Bodies of the World Intellectual Property Organization (2001-2005). He is currently Professor at the National Technical University of Athens.



**Paul Clarkson**  
(British)

has an MA in Engineering from the University of Cambridge and almost 30 years of experience in the field of patents, first as an Examiner at the European Patent Office and subsequently as a UK and European Patent Attorney. Paul spent 10 years with Howrey LLP in London and Amsterdam before joining NLO in 2010, where his work is focussed primarily in the mechanical and electrical fields. He is also qualified as a UK Patent Attorney Litigator.

Since 2012, Paul has been a delegate for the Netherlands on the epi Litigation committee, which has been instrumental in negotiating the representation of European Patent Attorneys before the UPC.

As one of the many European Patent Attorneys working outside their home countries, Paul is a working example of the free movement of people and services that characterizes the IP profession. He is fluent in Dutch, Spanish, French and German, has a Spanish wife and his children are presently studying in Spain and Germany.



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