



Procedural pitfalls in appeal – and what to do in opposition to avoid them

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Wednesday, 19 NOVEMBER 2025 | 09:00 – 17:00 CET

AGENDA

- 08:30 *Registration*
- 09:00 *Welcome*
- 09:10 Introduction to appeal
 - Admissibility of appeal
 - How to draft written submission in appeal
 - Admittance – Appeal Submissions
 - General considerations
- 10:30 *Coffee break*
- 11:00 Admittance – Appeal Submissions
 - General aspects
 - Complete case
 - Amendments to first-instance submissions
 - Amendments after reply to appeal
- 12:30 *Lunch break*
- 13:30 Admittance – Appeal Submissions
 - Amendments after summons to oral proceedings
 - Review of first-instance admittance decisions
- Oral proceedings in appeal
- Acceleration of appeal proceedings
- Reformatio in peius
- 15:50 *Coffee break*
- 16:20 Decisions in appeal
 - Petition for Review
 - Ex-parte* appeals
 - Reimbursement of appeal fee
- 17:15 *Question and answer session*
- 17:00 *End of the seminar*

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SPEAKERS



EPO speaker

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- Chairman of board 3.3.02 and member of the Enlarged Board of Appeal of the EPO (since 2018)
- Member of the RPBA 2020 drafting group
- Technically qualified member of board 3.3.09 (2010 – 2018)
- Patent examiner at the EPO (2000 – 2009)
- Member of EQE committee – opposition (2005 – 2009)
- European patent attorney (trainee) at AkzoNobel (1997 – 2000)
- Co-author of the book "Scenarios for the Future"



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Erik Nijs (NL)

- Dutch and European patent attorney
- In-house patent counsel at Lely (Maassluis) (2013-present)
- Private practice (The Hague) (2000-2013)
- CEIPI tutor at Strasbourg Seminar for Paper D (legal questions) (since 2008)

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