



# FREEDOM TO OPERATE

Thursday, 28 November 2024 | 09:00 – 17:00 CET

## AGENDA

- 08:30 *Registration*
- 09:00 *Welcome*
- 09:10 Basic information about FTO analysis  
Use cases · pre-considerations · search options and strategies ·  
steps of an FTO search
- 10:30 *Coffee break*
- 11:00 Defining the search object · claim interpretation · managing FTO  
results · circumvention of conflicting patent rights · writing an FTO  
opinion
- 12:30 *Lunch break*
- 13:30 Overview on search tools  
  
Modern search methods and tools · use of AI  
  
Search techniques in detail
- 15:00 *Coffee break*
- 15:30 Search techniques (continued) with practical examples  
  
Search tips for professionals
- 16:45 *Question and answer session*
- 17:00 *End of the seminar*

## VENUE

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## SPEAKERS



### Olaf Ungerer (DE)

- Master's degree in engineering, M.B.A. (Brunel University)
- European and German Patent Attorney, European Trademark and Design Attorney, UPC Representative
- Managing Partner with Page White Farrer and head of the Munich office
- Member of the DIN working committee on patent valuation
- Member of the European Patent Litigators Association (EPLIT)



### Colin Mc Carney (GB)

- Chartered Chemist and Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry (UK) with a PhD in organic chemistry, University of Wales. Post-doctoral research at the University of Cambridge.
- Appointed Head of the Library and Information Service of Monsanto Europe
- Hired by Procter&Gamble as Principal Scientist, Brussels Innovation Center, focused on prior art, FTO and oppositions (R&D and Patent Dept.)
- Independent since 2015 at Chem-Bridge Consulting (Brussels), supporting companies with a fully fledged access to all information tools
- Member of the Board of the Belgian Patent Information User Group, Belgian representative of the Board of the Confederacy of European Patent Information User Groups

## MODERATOR



### Andreas Winter (DE)

- Dipl.-Ing. Electrical Engineering, Humboldt University of Berlin
- European and German Patent Attorney, European Trademark and Design Attorney, UPC Representative
- Master of IP Law and Management (CEIPI)
- At Siemens AG since 1997: Development engineer in the communications networks division
- Patent department of Siemens AG since 2001, with the following activities among others: Support for the Communication Networks business area; Licensing department; Counseling for the Electrical Products business area with numerous FTO activities