



Unitary Patent & Unified Patent Court epi roadshow

Friday, 29 SEPTEMBER | 09:00 – 17:00 CET

AGENDA

08:30 *Registration*

09:00 *Welcome*

09:10 **The Unitary Patent (UP)**

- A unitary patent?
- Legislation
- The basic concept
- How is the EPO involved?
- Financial Aspects
- The UP as an object of property
- The UP Register
- Prior national rights
- Actions against decisions of the EPO

10:40 *Break*

11:00 **The Unitary Patent (UP) (continued)**

12:40 *Lunch Break*

13:30 **The Unified Patent Court (UPC)**

1. General overview over UPC structure & organisation
 - Legal framework
 - Structure of UPC
 - Territorial scope
2. General overview over procedure before UPC
3. First experiences and decisions of the court

15:00 *Break*

15:20 **The Unified Patent Court (UPC)**

Role of Patent Attorneys at UPC; representation, privileges and Code of Conduct
UPC Register; “opt-out” and “opt-in” procedures

16:00 **Strategic considerations for patent protection in Europe**

Unitary patent protection or classical EP bundle patent protection?
Which patents to opt-out?

Question and answer session

17:00 *End of the seminar*

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SPEAKERS/MODERATORS

UP Speaker

Manolis Samuelides (GR)



- is a member of the European Patent Institute (**epi**) since 1999
- has been patent examiner at the EPO (1987-1992)
- Vice President (1995 -1997) and CEO (2001-2005) at the Organization of Industrial Property in Greece
- Member of the Greek delegation in the Administrative Council of the EPO of the Governing Bodies of WIPO (2001-2005)
- Currently Professor at the National Technical University of Athens

UPC Speaker

Bart van Wezenbeek (NL)



- has a Master in biology and civil law
- practiced as attorney in a large pharmaceutical company, in a biotech start-up and in private practice
- is Deputy justice in the appeal court in The Hague
- is Member of epi's Professional Education Committee since 2012

Moderator

Dóra Tepfenhárt (HU)



- has M.Sc. in chemical engineering
- qualified European and Hungarian patent attorney
- practiced as senior patent counsel in a large pharmaceutical company
- currently works in private practice
- was vice president of the Hungarian Chamber of Patent Attorneys (2013-2019)
- epi's Professional Education Committee member