

Unitary patent & Unified Patent Court

Roadshow for professional representatives

Programme

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European Patent Institute Education and Training section



Tuesday, 8 November 2016

- 8.30 9.00 Registration
- 9.00 10.40 The unitary patent (UP)
 From Community Patent to Unitary Patent
 Unitary Patent: the basics
 Procedures before the European Patent Office
 Fees and other financial aspects
 Information to the public
 Issues relating to the UPP system
 Appeals and interlocutory revision

 10.40 11.00 Coffee break
- 11.00 12.40 **The unitary patent (UP) (continued)**
- 12.40 13.30 Lunch break
- 13.30 15.00 The Unified Patent Court (UPC)

UPC procedure against decisions of the EPO

UPC structure, jurisdiction, territorial scope

Current status, timing, transitional phasing-in period, Preparatory Committee, activities before entry into force

General overview over procedure; Rules of Procedure; provisional measures, evidence, languages

Costs of proceedings

- 15.00 15.20 Coffee break
- 15.20 16.00The Unified Patent Court (UPC)

Representation, privilege, Code of Conduct

UPC Register; "opt-out", "opt-in"

- 16.00 16.40 Strategic considerations for patent protection in Europe
- 16.40 17.00 **Question and answer session**
- 17.00 End of the Seminar



Speakers



Francis Leyder

Analytical chemist by training, he obtained his PhD before joining Labofina, Research Centre of the Petrofina Group. He qualified as European Patent Attorney in 1988 and dealt mainly with patents for catalysis, petrochemicals, oleochemistry, paints and composites. After the merger into the Total Group and subsequent reorganisations, he became head of the Patents Department of Total

Research & Technology Feluy, until end 2015. He has been a guest lecturer at the Université catholique de Louvain since 1999. In 2005, he joined the European Patent Practice Committee of **epi**, which he has been chairing since 2008. In this context, he has been closely following the developments concerning the Unitary Patent. He frequently represents **epi** as observer at meetings of the Select Committee in charge of the implementation at the EPO.



Valérie Mellet

European Patent Attorney, Luxembourg IP attorney. She studied chemistry and biochemistry at the University of Strasbourg, and intellectual property at the CEIPI including the Patent Litigation diploma. She started in IP in 2001, working in private practices in France and Luxembourg. She joined the petrochemical industry in Belgium for two years before opening her own practice in Luxembourg in 2014. She

is an **epi** tutor and a member in the Patent Litigation Committee of the **epi** since 2011.



Giuseppe Colucci

Chemist by education, he is European Patent Attorney, Community Trademark and Design Attorney, Italian Patent and Trademark Agent. He has been member of the **epi** since 1996. As of 2008, he has served as member (full/substitute) at the Council Committee of the **epi** and as full member at the Litigation Committee of the **epi** He has received a diploma on Patent Litigation

in Europe from CEIPI – Strasbourg University. He has extensive experience in patent practice, particularly in the field of polymers. He lectures in several IP-related courses and often speaks in IP events. He is currently Lead Attorney at Basell Poliolefine Italia, a LyondellBasell company.



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