



# IP Academy Program 2023 - 2025

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## EPC

- Sep 20, 2023 Overview – What is an invention? Exclusions from patentability (with BBQ & Drinks)
- Sep 27, 2023 Novelty
- Oct 4, 2023 Priority & prior art
- Oct 11, 2023 Inventive step
- Oct 18, 2023 Examination proceedings at the EPO
- Oct 25, 2023 Claim drafting workshop
- Nov 8, 2023 Opposition proceedings at the EPO
- Nov 15, 2023 Appeal proceedings at the EPO
- Nov 29, 2023 Validation, Opt-Out, Unitary Patent, UPC – Overview
- Dec 6, 2023 Case studies on EPO opposition and appeal proceedings
- Dec 13, 2023 Time limits, further processing, re-establishment of rights, fees – case studies helpful for the EQE and pre-EQE
- Jan 10, 2024 Special Event: Computer-implemented inventions – news from German, European, and US case law

## PCT

- Jan 17, 2024 PCT
- Jan 24, 2024 Euro-PCT
- Jan 31, 2024 Cases studies on PCT and Euro-PCT

## SPECIAL TOPICS

- Feb 7, 2024 Special Event: Korean Patent Law and Patent Prosecution
- Feb 21, 2024 Special Event: Patent Prosecution in US

	<b>TRADEMARK LAW</b>	
Feb 28, 2024	●	Introduction: Brands, trademarks, trade names, and geographical indications
Mar 6, 2024	●	Trademark proceedings: application, registration, opposition, invalidity, appeals
Mar 13, 2024	●	Absolute Grounds for refusal (descriptiveness, lack of distinctiveness and more)
Mar 20, 2024	●	Relative grounds of refusal: earlier rights, double identity and likelihood of confusion, reputation
Apr 9, 2024	●	License, Sale and Transfer of technical and non-technical IP rights; delimitation agreements
Apr 10, 2024	●	Trademark infringement and limitations: exclusive rights, trademark use, infringing acts; fair use, exhaustion, absence of genuine use
	<b>COPYRIGHTS, TRADE SECRETS AND UNFAIR COMPETITION</b>	
Apr 17, 2024	●	Copyrights: Introduction, Legal requirements, protectability, infringement
Apr 24, 2024	●	Trade Secrets in Germany: Substantive law and protection in infringement proceedings
Apr 30, 2024	●	Special Event: patent portfolio strategy at adidas
May 8, 2024	●	Unfair Competition: Introduction, Misleading advertisement, Sustainability Claims
May 15, 2024	●	Protection against imitation; Protection of works of applied arts
	<b>GERMAN PATENT LAW</b>	
Jun 5, 2024	●	Rights conferred by a patent or a patent application
Jun 12, 2024	●	Claim construction, literal infringement, and equivalents
Jun 19, 2024	●	Direct and indirect patent infringement
Jun 26, 2024	●	Entitlement action and joint ownership
Jul 3, 2024	●	German employee invention law
Jul 10, 2024	○	Special Event: Dos and Don'ts when drafting briefs (in German)
	<b>PATENT LITIGATION</b>	
Sep 11, 2024	●	Litigation strategies: potential claims, warning letters, preliminary injunctions, venue and more
Sep 18, 2024	●	German patent infringement proceedings: Principles, preparation, evidence, and strategy
Oct 2, 2024	●	German patent infringement proceedings: Course of the proceedings, enforcement, stay
Oct 9, 2024	●	German nullity proceedings
Oct 16, 2024	○	Nullity appeal proceedings before the Federal Court of Justice (in German)
Oct 23, 2024	●	Enforcing a German Utility model

## **PATENT ENFORCEMENT BEFORE THE UPC**

- Nov 13, 2024 UPC I: Structure of the Court, competence, transition period
- Nov 27, 2024 UPC II: Substantive law (applicable law, injunctive relief, indirect infringement, exhaustion, etc.)
- Dec 4, 2024 UPC III: Proceedings (types of proceedings, infringement proceedings, revocation actions, counter-claim for revocation, preliminary proceedings)
- Dec 11, 2024 UPC IV: Powers of the Court and Unitary Patent
- Dec 18, 2024 Cross-border litigation: Strategies of enforcing Unitary Patents, (EU) trademarks and designs in multiple jurisdictions

## **DESIGN PROTECTION**

- Jan 8, 2025 Basics of German, EU and international design protection
- Jan 15, 2025 Substantive law/Requirements for protection (Novelty, Individual Character, Disclosure)
- Jan 22, 2025 Infringement (Subject matter, Scope of protection, infringing acts, limitations)
- Jan 29, 2025 Special Event: US design patent law
- Feb 5, 2025 Special Event: Specifics of French trademark and design law

## **ENFORCEMENT OF TRADEMARKS AND DESIGNS**

- Feb 12, 2025 Trademarks in the Metaverse
- Feb 19, 2025 Litigation strategies for trademarks and designs: potential claims, warning letters, preliminary injunctions
- Feb 26, 2025 Infringement proceedings: EU trademarks and designs – international jurisdiction, sanctions, defenses, preliminary relief, related actions
- Mar 12, 2025 Special Event: Litigation strategies in France
- Mar 19, 2025 Domain names

## **THE EXPLOITATION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY, LICENSE AGREEMENTS, ANTITRUST LAW**

- Mar 26, 2025 Patent exploitation in practice
- Apr 2, 2025 Special Event: Customs seizure
- Apr 9, 2025 License, Sale and Transfer of technical and non-technical IP rights; delimitation agreements
- Apr 30, 2025 Special Event: patent portfolio strategy at adidas
- May 7, 2025 Introduction to Antitrust Law, License Agreements
- May 14, 2025 Antitrust defense in infringement proceedings („FRAND“)
- May 21, 2025 Special Event: US patent litigation
- May 28, 2025 Dos and Don'ts in oral hearings (in German)

Jun 4, 2025

Special Event: IP Highlights 2023 - 2025

Jun 25, 2025

Moot Court

