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## **BARDEHLE PAGENBERG continues growth, hiring young attorneys in the area of patent litigation**

The Patent Litigation Group of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG continues growing even after the year 2023 started. Three young attorneys-at-law decided to join the IP firm in Munich, having started in February and at the beginning of March.

“We are extraordinarily happy to have won Dr. Martin Drews, Monika Harten, and Julia Bernatska for our firm and thus consistently continue our growth with excellent young attorneys,” says Johannes Heselberger, Managing Partner of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG.

Dr. Martin Drews on his reasons to join our firm: “I am really excited to join BARDEHLE PAGENBERG at the start of the UPC. As a team of top-class litigators and leading patent attorneys that has organically evolved over decades, BARDEHLE PAGENBERG is perfectly positioned for this new era in European patent law and will effectively help shape its development. BARDEHLE PAGENBERG has convinced me in both professional and interpersonal terms, because the team is excellent, highly professional, and down-to-earth.”

Monika Harten launches her legal career as an attorney-at-law at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, also looking forward to becoming part of “the nice and competent team of one of Europe’s leading IP firms and growing with the tasks and the new role as an attorney-at-law.”

Julia Bernatska describes how excited she is to become part of the team of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG: “I am enthusiastic about patent law because it combines law and technology. Especially with a view to the imminent start of the UPC, I look forward to varied cases.”

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**Dr. Martin Drews,**

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Dr. Martin Drews is an attorney-at-law who specializes in national and cross-border patent disputes. He has many years of experience as a patent litigator based on many patent infringement and invalidity proceedings in the areas of telecommunication, mechanics, and medical devices.

Additionally, Martin Drews has detailed knowledge about the German and European research and innovation systems; he gained such knowledge as a ministerial official at the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research on the one hand and as a research policy officer of one of the largest political groups of the German parliament Bundestag.

Dr. Martin Drews joins BARDEHLE PAGENBERG from the renowned patent law team of Hogan Lovells in Duesseldorf where he primarily handled patent infringement and invalidity proceedings in the telecommunications industry.



**Monika Harten,**

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Monika Harten studied law in Mannheim, Shanghai, and Chicago, focusing on Intellectual Property law and minoring in business economics.

During her legal internship at the Munich District Court I, she was trained in Munich and at the European Commission in Brussels.

Monika Harten already gained experience in patent litigation during her time at two renowned international law firms. She worked as a research assistant at Quinn Emanuel in Mannheim, and as a legal intern at Taylor Wessing in Munich.

She works in different languages, primarily German, English, and Mandarin.



**Julia Bernatska,**  
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Julia Bernatska starts her professional career with Ukrainian roots as an attorney-at-law focusing on patent litigation at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG.

She laid the foundations for this step by working at the Chair of civil law, intellectual property, and commercial law at the University of Bayreuth and with her legal internship. Julia Bernatska was trained at Siemens AG in Nuremberg as well as at the German-Irish Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Dublin.

In the context of her legal internship, Julia Bernatska successfully participated in the “Munich vocational education for commercial mediators”.

For further information on the international team of attorneys-at-law and patent attorneys of BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, please visit:

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