

## Structure of the studies

Nine modules make up the CEIPI Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe. Each module lasts two days, and the course runs from October to June, on Fridays and Saturdays, as to facilitate attendance on the part of participants.

### First Module

European Law, private international law and patents (I)

### Second Module

European Law, private international law and patents (II)

### Third Module

Patent litigation and competition, SPCs and global patent litigation strategies

### Fourth Module

European patent enforcement (I): Evidence and preservation of evidence

### Fifth Module

European patent enforcement (II): injunctions and damages

### Sixth Module

The Unified Patent Court: functioning and litigation (I)

### Seventh Module

The Unified Patent Court: functioning and litigation (II).

### Eighth Module

The Unified Patent Court: functioning and litigation (III)

### Ninth Module

Mock trial - Oral exam

Each module runs for two days, except the final one, which runs for one single day. Teachings start Fridays 9 am and finish Saturdays 4 pm. This is an intense teaching program, which means that one hour is allocated for lunch and teachings may run up until 6 pm on Fridays.

## Calendar 2024-2025

- Module 1 - 11-12 October 2024
- Module 2 - 8-9 November 2024
- Module 3 - 6-7 December 2024
- Module 4 - 10-11 January 2025
- Module 5 - 7-8 February 2025
- Module 6 - 7-8 March 2025
- Written exam - 22 March 2025
- Module 7 - 11-12 April 2025
- Module 8 - 16-17 May 2025
- Module 9 - 6-7 Jun 2025: UPC Mock trial - Oral exam

## General information

Venue  
Strasbourg and distance learning.

Organization of the studies  
Nine modules: Fridays and Saturdays, from October to June.

Language of the training  
English

Accommodation  
Participants to the CEIPI Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe benefit from special rates at selected hotels when courses are on-site.

Admission  
Study time, fees and application documents available on our website  
[www.ceipi.edu](http://www.ceipi.edu)

Timing of this brochure  
The concepts and contents are aimed at keeping CEIPI courses as topical as possible. CEIPI reserves the right to adjust particular contents during the course of the study period.

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# Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe

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## Leading towards the European Patent Litigation Certificate

### Preface

**The Center for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe is a training program crafted for patent professionals willing to deepen and update their knowledge in comparative and regional patent law and patent litigation.**

International and European in contents, speakers and participants, the CEIPI diploma provides a hands-on immersion in the systemic aspects of patent litigation and the most recent patent litigation practices.

The CEIPI Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe falls within the wider offer of CEIPI in the area of intellectual property enforcement, a plurality of programs targeting judges, patent attorneys, attorneys at law, public servants and other qualified professionals in the intellectual property domain. In this case, the training program is addressed to European Patent Attorneys willing to become European Patent Litigators, attorneys at law and other experienced intellectual property professionals willing to gain knowledge and update their experience in European patent litigation.

Set up in the early 2000', the CEIPI Diploma provides a truly European and international perspective on patent adjudication theory and practice, leading to the obtention of a Diploma of the University of Strasbourg.

In 21 editions of the CEIPI Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe, more than 1500 people have been trained in Strasbourg.

### Concept of the studies

**The CEIPI Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe is a professional training program intended at satisfying the need of update and refinement of the knowledge in patent litigation.**

The program allows participants to go through the practice in the European jurisdictions attracting most of patent litigation, and put on the unitary patent and the Unified Patent Court.

Patent litigation touching infringement and validity is at the core of the Diploma, but the program goes beyond interconnected and addresses other relevant subjects. This is notably the case of competition law, alternative dispute resolution and private international law. Other related intellectual property titles, notably supplementary protection certificates, are also the object of interest. The goal is to present both traditional topics of relevance in patent litigation, such as remedies and damages, as well as contextual aspects impacting actual patent litigation.

The program has been adjusted as to satisfy the requirements of the European Patent Litigators Certificate, approved by the Administrative Committee of the Unified Patent Court, thus it will be of particular interest to those European Patent Attorneys willing to become European Patent Litigators.

## Academic Information

### Course Direction

⇒ **Emmanuel Gougé**, Director of the Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe; Lawyer at the Paris Bar and Solicitor of England and Wales; Partner at Pinsent Masons  
⇒ **Franck Macrez**, Director of the Diploma on Patent Litigation in Europe; Associate Professor at the Center for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) of the University of Strasbourg

### Past Lecturers

Lecturers in past editions include judges, practitioners and scholars, such as:

- ⇒ **Sabine Agé**, Patent litigator, Partner Hoyng, Rokh, Monegier, Véron
- ⇒ **Christof Augenstein**, Partner at Kather Augenstein
- ⇒ **Klaus Bacher**, Presiding Judge, 10th Senate (Patent Division), German Federal Court of Justice
- ⇒ **Peter Blok**, Judge in the Court of Appeal of the Unified Patent Court, Judge in the Commercial Law Chamber of the Court of Appeal in The Hague, Professor in the Center for Intellectual Property Law of Utrecht University
- ⇒ **Suen Bostyn**, Associate Professor of Biomedical Innovation Law, CeBIL, Faculty of Law, University of Copenhagen
- ⇒ **Thomas Bouvet**, Intellectual Property Partner at Jones Day
- ⇒ **Jochen Bühling**, Partner, KRIEGER MES & GRAF v. der GROEBEN
- ⇒ **Laurence Brüning-Petit**, Director of Patent Law and Procedures at European Patent Office, European Patent Office
- ⇒ **Max Brunner**, Chargé de mission to the Head of the Department of European and International Affairs, Ministry of Justice, France
- ⇒ **Anthony Collins**, Advocate General at the Court of Justice of the EU
- ⇒ **Trevor Cook**, Of Counsel at Bird & Bird
- ⇒ **Filip De Corte**, Head, IP Crop Protection, Syngenta
- ⇒ **Thierry Debled**, Director of the International Section at CEIPI, University of Strasbourg, Partner at Pecher & Partners
- ⇒ **Jean-Marc Deltorn**, Associate professor Adjunct-director of CEIPI's Research Laboratory
- ⇒ **Manuel Desantes**, Professor of International Private Law at the University of Alicante
- ⇒ **Peggy Ducoulombier**, Professor of Public Law, University of Strasbourg
- ⇒ **Steve Faraji**, Head of Patents Vehicle/Production and Chief IPR Policy Manager at AUDI AG
- ⇒ **Angel Galgo**, President, Superior Court of Justice, Madrid
- ⇒ **Klaus Grabinski**, President of the Court of Appeal at the Unified Patent Court)
- ⇒ **Sam Granata**, Judge at the Court of Appeal Antwerp, Judge with the Brussels local division of the UPC
- ⇒ **Dietmar Harhoff**, Director at the Max Planck Institute for Innovation and Competition
- ⇒ **Caroline Kleiner**, Private International Law, University of Paris

## Lecturers

- ⇒ **Gertjan Kuipers**, Partner, Lawyer, De Brauw Blackstone Westbroek N.V.
- ⇒ **András Kupecz**, Partner at Pinsent Masons
- ⇒ **Stefan Luginbuehl**, Lawyer, International Affairs of the European Patent Office
- ⇒ **Luke McDonagh**, Assistant Professor at the Law Department at the London School of Economics (LSE)
- ⇒ **Alexander Meier**, Attorney, Partner, Preu Bohlig
- ⇒ **Kevin Mooney**, Lawyer, Simmons & Simmons. Member of the Expert Group advising on the implementation of the UPC project. Chairman of the Drafting Committee of the Rules of Procedure
- ⇒ **Alexander Ramsay**, Chair of the Administrative Committee of the Unified Patent Court
- ⇒ **Stanislas Roux-Vaillard**, Partner, Hogan Lovells, Attorney at law, Paris Bar
- ⇒ **Luc Santarelli**, French and European Patent Attorney, Partner at Santarelli
- ⇒ **Beate Schmidt**, Former President of the Federal Patent Court of Germany
- ⇒ **Christopher Sharp**, Partner, Pinsent Masons LLP.
- ⇒ **Florence Thépot**, Lecturer in Law at the University of Strasbourg
- ⇒ **Daniel Thomas**, Former Director at European Patent Office and Lecturer at CEIPI
- ⇒ **Pierre Véron**, Honorary President EPLAW. Member of the Expert Panel group of the Unified Patent Court. Member of the Drafting Committee of the Rules of Procedure
- ⇒ **Hans-Joachim Weitz**, Legal Officer, Division for Patent Law, Federal Ministry of Justice  
The program characterizes by an emphasis on practical aspects of patent adjudication.

## Methodology

The large majority of speakers are judges and patent litigators with vast experience in patent litigation. Moreover, classroom lectures are combined with an intense analysis of jurisprudence and practical exercises, including workshops with case studies and a mock trial. The latter occupies two days of the program and also involves team-work in the preceding modules.

Reference documents are progressively made available online and participants are expected to check them and prepare the content of each module beforehand.

When on-site, teaching will be imparted in the CEIPI premises in Strasbourg. Otherwise, courses will be delivered online.

## Participants

**Participants to the course can be:**

- European Patent Attorneys with practice before the EPO Boards of Appeal and/or national patent litigation courts (as representatives of parties, private or court appointed experts or judges).
- Attorneys at Law with proven knowledge and experience in patent law.
- Those who do not fulfill these conditions may still be accepted upon a proven record of expertise in the area of patent drafting and practice.