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#### Title of the training

Preparatory seminar for paper C of the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) 2023

#### **Public**

Candidates preparing themselves for the EQE

# **Prerequisites**

Candidates have to fulfill the requirements to present themselves to the main examination of the EQE (see supplementary publication 2, OJ EPO 2019).

## **Entrance requirements**

This is a non-degree training course. Candidates should preferably have attended the CEIPI methodology course for paper C of the EQE or a similar training.

Admission upon validation of the application file.

#### **Objectives**

Help candidates prepare for paper C of the EQE

## **Program**

# **Content:**

The seminar on paper C (drafting an opposition) covers the following topics (see rule 25 of the IPRE (supplementary publication 2, OJ EPO 2019)):

- Drafting a notice of opposition
- Problem/solution approach, partial problems, priority, inadmissible amendments, prior public use
- Participants will have the opportunity to apply the strategies and topics discussed by writing a paper C under examination conditions.

**Duration: 2,5 days** 

16 – 18 November 2022

#### **Provisional schedule:**

- From Wednesday 2:00 pm to Friday 4:00 pm

#### **Tutors:**

The tutors for these courses are either professional representatives (from private practice and industry) or staff of the departments of first instance of the EPO and of the Boards of Appeal. All have extensive knowledge and practical experience in the procedures before the EPO, be it in examination and opposition, or in appeal before the Boards of Appeal.

# **Teaching methods:**

- Presentations and discussions
- Practical exercises, discussion of the answers in the light of the model solutions proposed by CEIPI
- Mock examinations, discussion of the candidates' papers in the light of the examiners' report and the model solution suggested by CEIPI
- Work is done in small groups in order to ensure proper dialogue between participants and tutors

The seminar is offered in the three official EPO languages (English, German, French)

#### **Training material**

- Audiovisual support and handouts in paper or electronic form
- C-book

## Validation

- The training aims at the adaptation and development of skills. Participants will receive an attendance certificate.

An evaluation questionnaire will be distributed at the end of the course in order to measure client satisfaction.

# Location

Strasbourg

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# Fee

925 € (1 800 € for the whole seminar ABC)

A reduced package price is offered to candidates enrolling simultaneously for the complete range of CEIPI courses preparing for one or more paper(s) of the EQE.

# Contact for information, enrolment and technical support\*

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