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## Title of the training

Preparatory seminar for paper D of the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) 2024

#### **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 D of the EQE or a similar training.

Admission upon validation of the application file.

# **Objectives**

Help candidates prepare for paper D of the EQE

# **Program**

## **Content:**

The seminar on paper D (legal questions) covers the following topics (see rule 26 of the IPRE (supplementary publication 2, OJ EPO 2019)):

- General introduction to paper D
- Approaches and techniques to tackle paper D (D-I and D-II part)
- Drafting answers to D-I questions
- Drafting a strategic advice in reply to a client's request (D-II question)
- Difference between the approaches needed to tackle both types of questions
- The candidates will have the opportunity to apply their knowledge and skills by writing a full paper D under examination conditions.

**Duration:** 5 days

8 - 12 January 2024

## **Provisional schedule:**

- Monday to Thursday from 8:45 am to 6:30 pm and Friday from 8:45 am to 12:30 am

#### **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:**

- Practical exercises (legal questions and request for strategic advice prepared by CEIPI
  according to the format of paper D) under the guidance of a tutor; discussion of the
  answers in the light of the model solutions suggested by CEIPI
- Mock exam D, discussion of solutions for the legal advice part in the light of 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 proposed in the three EPO official languages (English, German, French).

## **Training material**

- Exercises, mock examination, calendars, possible model solutions

### 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

1 800 €

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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