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Basic Training Course In European Patent Law

Hannover 2026

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This training course will start on January 12th and end on November 30th 2026. In most cases, classes start at 2pm, sometimes at 1pm. You will always be informed shortly beforehand.

Hybrid course (there will be an opportunity for online participation in each course).

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Course language: German

The basic training provides future practitioners in the patent field with systematic and complete tuition on **the legal basis** as well as on **practice** in the area of European patent law. For many years now, **CEIPI** and **epi** have been jointly organizing a basic training in European patent law, principally aimed at future certified European Patent Attorneys.

The basic training is designed both to facilitate preparation for the European Qualifying Examination and to **accompany the practice of the profession**: future practitioners should commence the course as soon as possible after joining a patent firm or the patent department of a company. The list of topics allows to be admitted to most courses after the first year.

Usually, about 350 participants follow this course every year offered simultaneously in the following cities: Aachen, Antwerp, Basel, Barcelona, Berlin, Brussels, Bucharest, Budapest, Cologne, Copenhagen, Darmstadt, Dublin, Düsseldorf, Hanover, The Hague, Helsinki, Istanbul, Kraków, Lausanne, Lisbon, Ljubljana, London, Ludwigshafen, Lyon, Madrid, Manchester, Milan, Munich, Paris, Prague, Riga, Rome, Stockholm, Stuttgart, Ulm, Warsaw, Vienna, Vilnius, Zurich.

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Materielles Recht / Substantive Law

(Stand: 11.12.2025)

Termin	Modul	Thema	Startzeit	Tutor
	A	GENERAL INTRODUCTION		
12.01.26	A1 A2 A3 A4	Introduction to intellectual property law The patent and other rights to protect inventions History of patent law The international patent conventions	14:00 Uhr	Christian Hanses
	B	INTRODUCTION TO EUROPEAN PATENT LAW		
19.01.26	B1 B3_EPC B4_EPC	Introduction to the EPC Interpretation of provisions of the EPC Institutional provisions	14:00 Uhr	Björn Wolter
09.02.26	B2 B3_PCT B4_PCT	Introduction to the PCT Interpretation of provisions of the PCT Institutional provisions	14:00 Uhr	Guido Harms
02.03.26	B5	Languages and translations	14:00 Uhr	Martin Kottke
09.03.26	B6	Representation under the PCT and before the EPO	14:00 Uhr	Guido Harms
	C	PATENTABILITY		
13.04.26	C1	Patentable and non-patentable inventions; industrial application	14:00 Uhr	Ulrich Bremer
18.05.26	C4	Exceptions to patentability; medical uses	14:00 Uhr	Lennart Treuel
01.06.26	C2 C3	State of the art Novelty	14:00 Uhr	Ulrich Bremer
22.06.26	C5	Inventive step	14:00 Uhr	Till Augustin
31.08.26	C6	Unity; disclosure; claims	14:00 Uhr	Björn Wolter
14.09.26	C7	Priority: Paris Convention; EPC	14:00 Uhr	Christian Hanses
	D	RIGHT TO THE EUROPEAN PATENT		
28.09.26	D1 D2 D3	Designation of the inventor Right to file; entitlement to the patent Entitlement proceedings	14:00 Uhr	Martin Kottke
	E F	RIGHTS CONFERRED BY THE EUROPEAN PATENT AND BY THE APPLICATION THE EUROPEAN PATENT AND APPLICATION AS OBJECT OF PROPERTY		
02.11.26	E4 F	Infringement and sanction Transfer and constitution of rights; assignment and licences	14:00 Uhr	Christian Hanses
16.11.26	E1 E2 E3	Rights conferred by the European Patent Protection conferred by the application Interpretation of the patent (application)	14:00 Uhr	Lennart Treuel
	G	INFORMATION FROM THE EPO/WIPO		
30.11.26	G1 G2 G3 G4	Information to the public Register of European patents Periodical publications Exchanges of information between authorities	14:00 Uhr	Martin Kottke