

<p>Title of the training</p> <p>Preparatory seminar for paper M3 of the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) 2027</p>
<p>Public</p> <p>The training is intended for people taking Paper M3 of the EQE. To register for this paper with the EPO, candidates must meet the EPO's requirements (see the new EEQ regulations, Supplementary publication 3 – OJ EPO 2024).</p>
<p>Prerequisites</p> <p>Participation in this non-degree training course does not require any specific prerequisites with regard to the target audience.</p>
<p>Entrance requirements</p> <p>This is a non-degree training course. Admission upon validation of the application file. Participants are expected to have reached an advanced stage in their own preparation for the examination.</p>
<p>Objectives</p> <p>Help candidates prepare for paper M3 of the EQE.</p>
<p>Program and schedule (for information purposes)</p> <p>Content:</p> <p>The methodologies to tackle Paper M3 are discussed and further developed, using the published mock papers M3.1, M3.2 and M3.3 under the guidance of a tutor. Essential topics such as prior art, novelty, the problem-and-solution approach, priority, unallowable amendments, clarity, sufficiency of disclosure, dependent and independent claims, argumentation and prior use are also discussed further.</p> <p>After the introductory part on general and procedural knowledge, participants have the opportunity to apply the strategies and methodologies discussed in the seminar with multiple exercises which are discussed in class with the tutor. An M3 exam is taken (all three parts) by the candidates on their own after which online classes are organised to discuss the solution.</p> <p>The following three parts are fully included in the course</p> <p>Duration: 5 days</p> <p>Date : 26 to 29 October 2026 AND Monday 9 November 2026 afternoon (exclusively online) AND Tuesday 10 November 2026 afternoon (exclusively online)</p> <p>Tutors :</p> <p>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. A detailed list of course tutors and their references will be made available to participants before the start of the course.</p>
<p>Teaching methods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practical exercises under the guidance of a tutor ; discussion of the answers in the light of the model solutions suggested by CEIPI - Mock examination and discussion of the proposed model solution with a tutor - Work is done in small groups in order to ensure proper dialogue between participants and tutors <p>The seminar is proposed in the three EPO official languages (English, German, French).</p>
<p>Technical and pedagogical frame</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to the online session will take place via the connection to a distance-learning platform. The ID and password for the connection will be made available to the participant in advance. - The participant must have appropriate technical equipment to participate in the online session, in particular a laptop or similar device and high speed WIFI.
<p>Training material</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentations, exercises, mock exam paper and possible solutions made available online

Validation

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

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

Location

Online

Fee

2000 €

Contact for information, enrolment and technical support*

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