



# SUMMER SCHOOL ON IP IN EUROPE

The course is organised by the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) at the University of Strasbourg.

The lecturers are chosen from those of the CEIPI and IP specialists from various European countries including Academics, Patent and Trademark attorneys, as well as EPO examiners.

The summer course will be held over 6 working days, from Monday July 6 to Saturday July 11, 2009.

The course aims at providing an academic overview of the IP-related aspects of the legal system in the European Union, as well as giving concrete ideas about IP prosecution in Europe.

Focus will be given on prosecution before the EPO and before the OHIM, as well as on national laws of the three key countries involved in IP in Europe.

The enrolment fees are: 1 000 €

Participants number are limited and only a few places are still available.

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# PROGRAMME

## July 6

**09:00 – 12:00 - EU basics 1/2**

**Christophe GEIGER – Associate Professor and General Director of CEIPI**

General introduction to the European legal system: Community law, national laws

**14:00 – 18:00 - EU basics 2/2**

**Franck Macrez- Associate Professor, CEIPI**

**Joanna SCHMIDT- Professor and Director, CEIPI Research Laboratory**

**Théo Hassler- Professor, CEIPI**

Basic rules on IP rights protection in Europe (author rights, patents, trademarks and designs), unfair competition

## July 7

**9:00 – 12:00 - EPO's proceedings 1/3**

**Simone KLING – Patent attorney**

Grant proceedings before the European Patent Office (main aspects of the guidelines for examination)

Opposition, limitation and revocation proceedings before the EPO

**14:00 – 18:00 - EPO's proceedings 2/3**

**Duncan MATTHEWS – Professor at Queen Mary, University of London**

EPC regulations and EPO's approach on patentability: exclusions of patentability – approach for software and pharmaceutical products– assessment of novelty (disclaimer) and of inventive step (problem-solution approach)

## July 8

**09:00 – 12:00 - OHIM's proceedings**

**Aurélia MARIE – Trademark attorney**

Proceedings before the OHIM: community trademarks and designs

**14:00 – 18:00 - EPO's proceedings 3/3**

**Jérôme COLLIN – Patent attorney**

Grant proceedings before the European Patent Office (various steps of examination – key office actions – computation of terms for responding – opposability of prior art - differences between the direct European route and the Euro-PCT route - unity of invention)

## **July 9**

### **09:00 – 12:00 - EPC and national laws**

#### **Didier INTES – Patent attorney**

Effects of EP patents in the respective European countries

(Provisional protection – protection after grant - London Agreement)

Patent prosecution in France, Germany and the UK

### **14:00 – 16:00 - IP Strategy in Europe**

#### **Patrice VIDON – Patent attorney**

How to limit the costs of patent prosecution in Europe

How to speed up the grant

### **16:30 – 18:30 - Operating IP rights in Europe 1/2**

#### **Thierry SUEUR – General Manager, IP department of AIR LIQUIDE**

Contracts involving IP rights

## **July 10**

### **09:00 – 12:00 - Enforcing IP rights in Europe 1/2**

#### **Walter HOLZER – Patent attorney**

EU Directive on the enforcement of IP rights

### **14:00 – 17:00 - Enforcing IP rights in Europe 2/2**

#### **Amandine METIER – Attorney-at-Law**

Patent litigation in three key European countries: France, Germany and the UK

(assessment of infringement – overview of proceedings)

## **July 11**

### **09:00 – 11:00 - Operating IP rights in Europe 2/2**

#### **Vincenzo SCORDAMAGLIA – Honorary General Director of the European Council**

Community law related to operation of IP rights

### **11:30 – 13:00 – Workshops 1/2**

#### **Daniel THOMAS – Examiner at the EPO**

Examination proceedings before the EPO (sample case)

### **14:00 – 18:00 – Workshops 2/2**

#### **Daniel THOMAS – Examiner at the EPO**

#### **Thierry DEBLED – Patent attorney**

#### **Claire MOUGET-GONIOT – Patent attorney**

Oral proceedings before the EPO (mock trial)