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DAY 1, APRIL 30, 2013 - FOCUS ON PROSECUTION

7:30 a.m. Registration Opens

8:00 a.m.

**Welcoming Remarks**

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. (Rainer K. Kuhnen)

**Introduction to the European Patent Convention**

A quick orientation through the basics

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. (Dr. Michael Zeitler)

**EP Case Law of Interest**

Get updates on significant and recent decisions

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. (Dr. Michael Zeitler)

**EP Claim Drafting Specialties**

Become aware of the essential differences to the U.S. system by practice examples

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. (Dr. Michael Zeitler)

**Opposition**

A step by step guide to the opposition procedures

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (Rainer K. Kuhnen)

**Unitary Patent**

What changes will have to be expected, and when?

2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. (Rainer A. Kuhnen)

**Cost Saving Strategies**

Learn about effective ways to save you or your clients' money

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. (James A. Forstner, Rainer A. Kuhnen, Rainer K. Kuhnen and Dr. Michael Zeitler)

**Moderated Panel Discussion: EPC (UPP) vs. AIA**

How has the new statute been implemented in practice and what does this mean for patent practitioners in the US and Europe?

Adjourn

**DAY 2, MAY 1, 2013 - FOCUS ON LITIGATION**

8:00 a.m. Conference Room Opens

**8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. (Rainer A. Kuhnen)**

**Patent Infringement Litigation**

This session highlights practical aspects in connection with litigation in Europe

**10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. (Rainer A. Kuhnen)**

**Doctrine of Equivalents in Germany and the United Kingdom**

A comparison by examples and a look back into history

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Break

**11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. (Rainer A. Kuhnen)**

**Patent Filing Strategies**

Find your way through the Unitary Patent, the EP patent, national patents and utility models

12:45 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch on Your Own

**2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (James A. Forstner)**

**International Patent Litigation**

Update on current trends and figures

**4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Rainer K. Kuhnen)**

**Unified Patent Court**

Hear about the current state of affairs and the expected implications on future patent litigation

5:00 p.m. Adjourn

## SPEAKERS

### RAINER A. KUHNEN



Rainer A. Kuhnén is a founding partner of KUHNNEN & WACKER IP Law Firm in Freising/Munich, Germany. He was awarded a master's degree of Diplom-Ingenieur in mechanical engineering (air and space technology) from the Technical University of Munich. As a German and European patent attorney and a European trademark and design attorney, he focuses on the fields of mechanical engineering, medical technology, and air and space technology, as well as many other technologies.

He also has outstanding experience in patent litigation, mergers and acquisitions, and mediation cases. Kuhnén was the responsible attorney for the European landmark "Epilady" case, "Improver v. Remington", and, since 2005, has been selected to appear in the Guide to the World's Leading Patent Law Experts. He frequently lectures on German and European patent practice at U.S. and Japanese law firms and schools, as well as at seminars in Tokyo, Nagoya, and Osaka, Japan. He also has published numerous articles in the IP field.

### RAINER K. KUHNEN



Rainer K. Kuhnén is a partner at the IP Law Firm KUHNNEN & WACKER and specializes in patent prosecution in the fields of electrical engineering/electronics, physics, information and computer technology as well as network technology. Rainer was awarded a master's degree of Diplom-Ingenieur in electrical engineering from the Technical University of Munich. He is a German and European Patent Attorney as well as a European Trademark and Design Attorney and has a Master of Laws' degree in European Intellectual Property.

His memberships include ABA (American Bar Association), AIPPI (GRUR - German and International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property), VPP (Association of Intellectual Property Experts) and FICPI (International Federation of Industrial Property Attorneys).

He is frequently invited to lecture on German and European Patent Practice, and has attended conferences and given presentations in several Asian countries.

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### DR. MICHAEL ZEITLER



Dr. Michael Zeitler is a partner at the IP Law Firm KUHNNEN & WACKER. He was awarded his master's degree of Dipl.-Phys. after studies of physics and subsequently his Ph.D. from the University of Augsburg.

As a qualified German Patent Attorney, a European Patent Attorney and a European Trademark and Design Attorney, he is specialized in the fields of physics (in particular semiconductors, solid state physics and material sciences) as well as in electronic engineering.

Prior to joining KUHNNEN & WACKER, Michael was the head of Patent and Trademark Prosecution at Qimonda AG, IP Manager at Infineon Technologies, and Patent Expert at Infineon Technologies AG Patent Department. He worked on his Diploma Thesis in close cooperation with Hoechst AG.

Michael's memberships include AIPLA (American Intellectual Property Law Association), AIPPI (GRUR - German and International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property), EPI (European Patent Institute), LES (Licensing Executives Society) and VPP (Association of Intellectual Property Experts).

He is frequently invited to lecture on German and European Patent Practice, and has attended conferences and given presentations in Germany and the U.S.

### JAMES ALLEN FORSTNER



James A. Forstner has a PhD in chemistry as well as a JD. He is Of Counsel to the KUHNNEN & WACKER firm and has more than 30 years of experience at E. I. du Pont de Nemours, working on international IP matters. At DuPont he served as managing counsel and corporate counsel. After retirement from DuPont, he was senior counsel at Alston and Bird.

Forstner is a Fellow of the American Intellectual Property Association and a former Board member, was a member of the Council of the Intellectual Property Law Section of the American Bar Association, and chaired many committees of these organizations. He also served as a chair of both the U.S. Bar/European Patent Office Liaison Council and the U.S. Bar/Japanese Patent Office Liaison Council, and was member of the founding Board of the U.S./C.I.S. Bar Association. He is also a member of the U.S. Bar/SIPO Liaison Council.

He will give an overview of strategies in international patent enforcement.

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## KEY DATES

- Last day for early registration: Monday, April 22, 2013  
*add \$50 for registrations received after this date*
- Last day for full refund: Monday, April 22, 2013
- Last day for partial refund: Friday, April 26, 2013  
*\$50 processing fee applied*
- Seminar begins: Tuesday, April 30, 2013, 8:00 a.m.