

EXECUTIVE PROGRAM

# ADVANCED PATENT LITIGATION AND UPC

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ONLINE

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# PROGRAM

The Executive Program is divided into **7 modules** and **12 online classes**, blending theoretical knowledge with practical application. Each module will include lectures, case studies, interactive debates, and assessments.

## ● **MODULE I: FOUNDATIONS OF EUROPEAN PATENT LITIGATION**

- Overview of the Unified Patent Court (UPC)
- Jurisdiction and procedural framework of the UPC
- Interaction with national courts and EPO
- Introduction to substantive patent law principles in Europe

## ● **MODULE II: TRANSATLANTIC PERSPECTIVES ON PATENT LITIGATION**

- Comparative analysis of European and US patent litigation system
- Cross-border enforcement strategies
- Collaboration between European and US legal teams
- Case studies on transatlantic patent disputes

## ● **MODULE III: STANDARD ESSENTIAL PATENT (SEP) LITIGATION**

- Fundamentals of SEPs and FRAND (Fair, Reasonable, and Non-Discriminatory) commitments
- Offensive and defensive strategies in SEP litigation
- Analysis of key SEP cases in Europe and the US
- Role of competition law in SEP disputes

## ● **MODULE IV: PATENT LITIGATION IN PHARMACEUTICALS AND MEDICAL DEVICES**

- Regulatory frameworks and their impact on patent litigation
- Strategies for litigating pharma and biotech patents
- Medical device patent litigation and infringement challenges
- Case studies on high-profile litigation in pharma and medical devices

## ● **MODULE V: GLOBAL LITIGATION STRATEGIES**

- Offensive and defensive approaches to multi-jurisdictional patent disputes
- Coordination of global litigation strategies
- Patent assertion and defensive programs from an in-house perspective
- Workshop: Designing a global patent litigation strategy

## ● **MODULE VI: ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ARBITRATION / MEDIATION)**

- Arbitration and mediation in patent litigation
- Setting up effective ADR arrangements in standard essential patent litigation and pharma
- ADR and the Unified Patent Court
- ADR strategies within multi-jurisdictional patent disputes from a US and European perspective

## ● **MODULE VII: ADVANCED SKILLS FOR PATENT LITIGATORS**

- Evidence and case management in patent cases
- Effective oral and written advocacy in court
- Mock trial exercises (*in person*)

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## ASSESSMENTS

- Written assignments
- Case analyses
- Exam Project
  - Participation in the Lisbon UPC mock hearing (*full week in person*)
  - Mock trial (*in person in the LD Lisbon before UPC judges*)

## PRICE

3750 € (+ VAT)

## APPLICATION

Applications must be submitted through the **online form** available in the **Executive Education** section at [www.catolicalaw.fd.lisboa.ucp.pt](http://www.catolicalaw.fd.lisboa.ucp.pt)



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