CATÓLICA
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OF LAW

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: 14-18 June **(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 €

APPLICATION

Applications must be submitted through the **online form** available in the **Executive Education** section at **www.catolicalaw.fd.lisboa.ucp.pt**

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