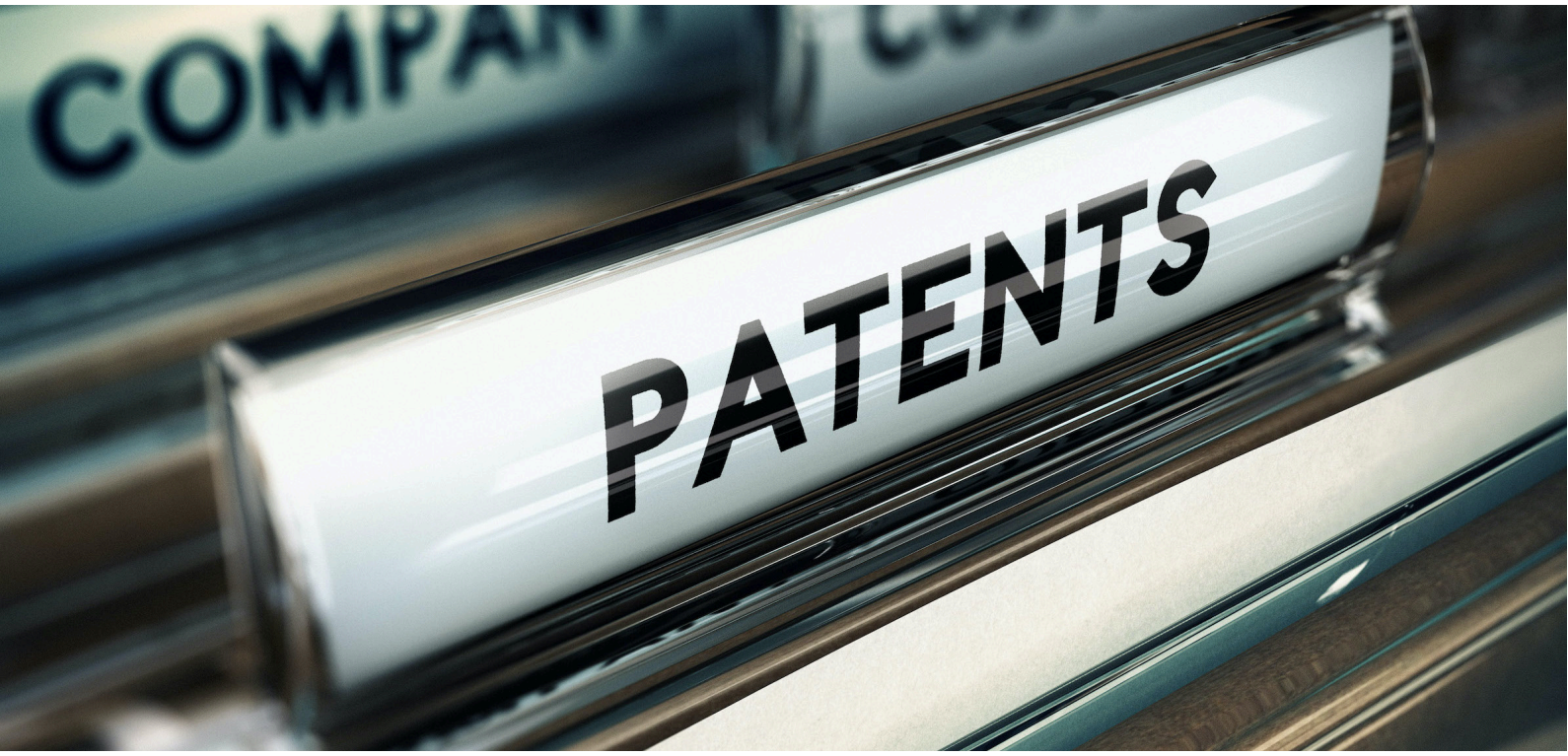
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Effective Defence of EPO Patent Applications

Clarity in drafting patent applications has always been a serious issue. This training course teaches delegates the essentials of clarity and the most effective use of the problem-solution approach, giving delegates an edge over other parties.
INCLUDES: Interactive workshop sessions and details of the latest case law and its implications

Format:
Bespoke training

CPD:
6 hours for your records (depending on your requirements)

Certificate of completion

Course overview

Drafting clear patent claims has long been a critical challenge. Clarity is essential to differentiate the claimed subject matter from prior art, as ambiguity can lead to interpretations that disadvantage the applicant or proprietor. This is not merely a formal requirement but a fundamental and substantial issue of primary importance.

Although the 'problem-solution' approach is not officially part of the EPC, it is a criterion which has been developed by case law. It is now hard to find a decision of the Boards of Appeal which does not rely on the problem-solution approach to decide upon inventive step. It looks easy, but when applied, it should be carefully considered and applied correctly.

The expert trainer will teach delegates the essentials of clarity and the most effective use of the problem-solution approach, giving them an edge over other parties. The use of practical exercises will help embed the learning.

There is also time allowed during the training course for you to ask your specific questions to the trainer and get solutions to the challenges you are facing.

Key topics covered include:

- Article 84 – the implications of clarity of claims
- Effective use of the problem-solution approach
- Article 56 – understanding inventive step

Benefits of attending

By attending this training course you will:

- **Learn** about Article 84 and the implications of clarity of claims
- **Expand** your knowledge of clarity versus novelty
- **Consider** the interplay between Art 83, 84 and 56
- **Get to grips** with Article 56 and understand the intricacies of inventive step
- **Understand** how to effectively use the problem-solution approach

Who should attend?

This training course has been specially designed for:

- European patent attorneys
- Patent attorneys in private practice
- Corporate patent attorneys and lawyers
- People working or training in intellectual property
- US attorneys working in Europe
- Trainee patent attorneys
- EQE candidates

Those already familiar with the field will also find this course valuable for updating their knowledge on the latest case law and its implications.

Reviews

★★★★☆

A very good and practical course.

Rafi Bronstein
Patent Attorney
Daltan Consulting Ltd
Jun 13 2019

★★★★★

The speaker was perfect.

Agneszka Zebrowska-Kucharzyk
European and Polish Patent Attorney
PATPOL
Nov 15 2017

★★★★★

It was a great course!

Geovana Rosales
Patent Manager
DuPont Nutrition Biosciences ApS
Nov 24 2016

★★★★★

A lively discussion and I particularly liked the case law exercises.

Huaizhou SHI
NLO
Nov 24 2016

Run this programme in-house for your whole team

Coming to IPI Academy for your in-house training provides an all-inclusive service which gives you access to a wide variety of content, learning platforms and delivery mechanisms as well as your own personal training adviser who will work with you from the initial enquiry through to feedback and follow-up after the programme.

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