



The Oblon and Maiwald firms are pleased to invite you to a *complimentary* joint international symposium on:

## US and European Patent Practice – Important Aspects for Practitioners

Thursday, 16 November 2023 / 10:00 AM,  
at the Hotel Le Méridien Munich

Please join us to learn about recent developments and current aspects of IP practice in the U.S. and Europe. As you are aware, both US and European patent systems have their pros and cons, which do not always neatly align. US and European applicants alike need to be aware of the differences and peculiarities between the US and European patent systems in order to achieve the best results from both.

At this joint symposium, we will together examine selected current aspects of IP practice related to prosecuting applications and enforcing patents in the U.S. and in Europe. While similarities exist, applicants for U.S. and European patents need to be aware of the peculiarities and most recent developments in each system in order to achieve the best results. In particular, the symposium will address the following important topics for today's practitioners:

1. **Ex parte appeals before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office**
2. **First 160 days of the Unitary Patent System, a new era in Europe**
3. **Evolving enablement standards in the U.S.**
4. **Updates on extrinsic evidence and plausibility after G 2/21, and priority after G 1/22 in Europe**
5. **Catching the innovation - challenges of patenting AI in life science**
6. **Patenting AI in the U.S. – challenges and opportunities**
7. **Updates on U.S. obviousness issues in view of the 2023 Federal Circuit decisions in *Netflix v. DivX* (nonanalogous art) and *Axonics v. Medtronic* (motivation to combine)**
8. **Practical guide for computer-implemented inventions at the EPO**

Presenters will include: David Longo (Oblon), Tobias Philipp (Maiwald), Andrew Ollis (Oblon), Derk Vos (Maiwald), Daniel Pereira (Oblon), Annelie Wünsche (Maiwald), James Love (Oblon) and Martina Boidol (Maiwald).

Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be provided at a casual reception following the symposium.

A link to register can be found via Oblon [here](#), or via Maiwald [here](#).

Alternatively, you may register by e-mail to [patentconference@oblon.com](mailto:patentconference@oblon.com) or [events@maiwald.eu](mailto:events@maiwald.eu). If registering by email, please include the attendee's name(s), company, and contact information. The final registration deadline is **November 9, 2023**. Attendance is limited and registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

We look forward to welcoming you and your colleagues once again to our in-person event.

Sincerely,

Oblon, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, L.L.P. & Maiwald GmbH

### Event Details:

Thursday, 16 November 2023,  
10:00 - 17:00

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The working language of the symposium is English.

### Registration:

Please register by November 9, 2023, through either the link provided or by email.

Please feel free to pass on this invitation on to your colleagues should you be unable to attend yourself.

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Maiwald, one of the top IP boutiques in Germany, covers the full spectrum of IP-related matters. We draft and file patent and trademark applications and defend and enforce our clients' intellectual property rights in Germany, Europe, and throughout the world. Our highly specialized interdisciplinary teams of technically qualified patent attorneys and attorneys-at-law provide combined expertise across a wide range of disciplines: life sciences, chemistry, and physics; mechanical, electrical, electronic, and aeronautic engineering; communication technologies; infringement litigation, trademark, design, contract, and copyright law. Maiwald's fresh approach opens up new perspectives, and delivers customized solutions that safeguard our clients' IP rights in order to promote the success of their businesses.

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## Agenda (Thursday, 16 November 2023)

- 09.30 Signing-in and coffee (Foyer)
- 10.00 Welcome address and introduction  
Norbert Hansen / Andrew Ollis
- 10.15 **Ex-parte Appeals before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office**  
Andrew Ollis
- 10.50 **First 160 days of the Unitary Patent System, a new era in Europe**  
Tobias Philipp
- 11.20 *Coffee break (Foyer)*
- 11.40 **Evolving enablement standards in the U.S.**  
Daniel Pereira
- 12.15 **Updates on extrinsic evidence and plausibility after G 2/21, and priority after G 1/22 in Europe**  
Derk Vos
- 12.45 Discussion
- 13.00 *Lunch (Restaurant IRMI)*
- 14.15 **Catching the Innovation - challenges of patenting AI in Life Science**  
Annelie Wünsche
- 14.50 **Patenting AI in the U.S. – Challenges and Opportunities**  
James Love
- 15.20 *Coffee break (Foyer)*
- 15.40 **Updates on U.S. obviousness issues in view of the 2023 Federal Circuit decisions in Netflix v. DivX (nonanalogous art) and Axonics v. Medtronic (motivation to combine)**  
David Longo
- 16.15 **Practical guide for computer-implemented inventions at the EPO**  
Martina Boidol
- 16.45 Discussion and Closing Remarks  
Andrew Ollis / Norbert Hansen
- 17.00 *Conclusion of the Symposium with a casual reception (Foyer)*