



Dear Colleagues,

Oblon and Maiwald are pleased to invite you to a series of joint symposia on:

US and European Patent Practice - Important Aspects for Practitioners

Thursday, 20 May 2021 at 16:00 JST, online

Thursday, 10 June 2021 at 10:00 JST, online

Thursday, 1 July 2021 at 16:00 JST, online

As you are aware, both US and European patent systems have their pros and cons, and 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.

Last year, we unfortunately had to cancel our joint symposia in Tokyo and Osaka due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We will instead conduct the symposia this year over a series of three online events, as travel is still restricted. In view of the online-format, we will spread the topics over different dates and hope to welcome as many of you as possible to the respective lectures. Each symposium will be scheduled for 1.5 hours including a Question-and-Answer session. We hope that we will be able to return to in-person meetings with you in the near future!

At this 2021 series of virtual joint symposia, we will together examine current aspects of patent practice from the US and European perspectives. Each topic will consider the differences in patent practice between the US and Europe, and we will together explore strategies for navigating through these differences.

In particular, the online symposia will address in detail the following three topics for today's practitioners:

- 1. Third party observations - EP and US perspectives**
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- 2. Computer-implemented inventions - an update from the EP and US perspectives**
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- 3. Support for claim amendments / claim interpretation - EP and US perspectives**
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If you plan to attend, please register via the above mentioned links and click the boxes for each of the dates you would like to attend, or send an e-mail to empfang@maiwald.eu or patentconference@oblon.com, indicating on which of the dates/topics you wish to attend. Please note that registration by e-mail is only possible up to 24h before the respective event.

We look forward to welcoming you and your colleagues to our online series of joint symposia.

Yours sincerely,

Oblon, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, L.L.P. &
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Event day and location

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The working language of the symposia is English. Japanese speaking attorneys will attend to facilitate discussions.

Registration

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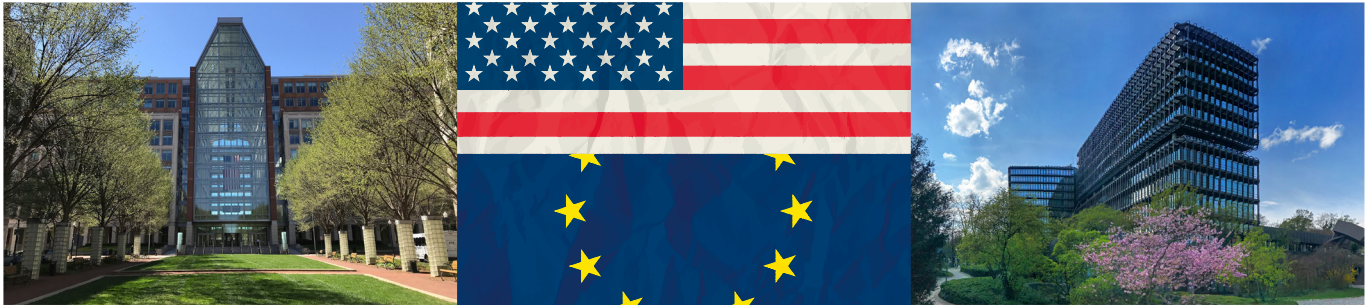
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- Yes, I will take part in Oblon's and Maiwald's joint symposia on the following date(s).**
(Please indicate above whether you would like to attend one or two specific lectures, or all three.)
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