# **PROGRAM**

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#### **WELCOME WORDS**

#### **Fabian Edlund**

President UNION-IP

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**Rui Gomes**, President of the Patents Comission of UNION-IP

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#### ORAL PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE EPO

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Reinier Wijnstra, Vice-President UNION-IP



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ORAL PROCEEDINGS BY VICO AT THE EPO – G 1/21 AND BEYOND

# Heli Pihlajamaa

Director Patent Law, European Patent Office (EPO)



**Marko Schauwecker** 

Legal Expert at the European Patent Office (EPO)



10:05 – 10:25 | (CET)

ORAL PROCEEDINGS BY VICO: AN EXCEPTIONAL MEASURE OR A BACKDOOR TO ESTABLISH NEW STANDARDS?

# Jörg Thomaier

CEO at the Bayer Intellectual Property GmbH and Head of IP Bayer Group, European Patent Attorney (DE)



10:25 - 10:45 | (CET)

VICO OR NO-GO?

### **Gwilym Roberts**

Chairman, UK and European Patent Attorney at Kilburn & Strode (UK)



10:45 - 11:05 | (CET)

ORAL PROCEEDINGS BY VIDEOCONFERENCE - THE VIEW OF THE PARTIES AND PRACTICIONERS

#### **Christian W Appelt**

Partner of Boehmert & Boehmert, German and European Patent Attorney (DE) 11:05 - 11:20 | (CET)

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11:20 - 12:20 | (CET)

#### POST-GRANT PROCEDURE BEFORE NATIONAL PATENT OFFICES

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**Thierry Lautier**, Member of the Patents Commission of UNION-IP



11:20 - 11:40 | (CET)

THE NEW PATENT
OPPOSITION PROCEDURE
IN FRANCE

#### Jérémie Fénichel

Head of the Patent Department at the French Industrial Property Office (INPI) (FR)



11:40 - 12:00 | (CET)

POST-GRANT: OPINIONS, REVOCATION AND THE POWER OF THE UKIPO

#### **Phil Thorpe**

Deputy Director, UK Intellectual Property Office (UK)



12:00 - 12:20 | (CET)

THE PORTUGUESE PATENT OPPOSITION PROCEDURE

#### Inês Cristóvão Silva

Head of the Patent and Utility Model Department at the Portuguese IPO (INPI)

12:20 - 12:55 | (CET)

# ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION WITH ALL PANELLISTS

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**CLOSING REMARKS** 



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