SERIES OF LECTURES ON
UNIFIED EUROPEAN PATENT LAW

After almost 50 years of preparation, the new European Uniform Patent Law is not only in force – it has been for some years – but actually applicable. On June 1st, 2023 the Unified Patent Court opened its doors and since then has accepted the first cases on patent infringement and nullity.

Genuine private law disputes are now decided by a truly European civil court following European civil procedure rules.

While the patent community has been eagerly awaiting the new system and has closely followed the choice of venues of the court (e.g. Düsseldorf, Hamburg, Mannheim, Munich) and the appointment of judges, this endeavor went almost unnoticed by lawyers and academics working in the field of European private law. But infringement claims, of course, essentially are tort law, nullity proceedings often include issues of entitlement and ownership, contractual assignment and vindication. Most likely IP-law – again – is paving the way for European harmonization. The system, court and rules therefore may be of interest for anyone interested in European private law.

On this occasion, the Faculty of Law will host a series of lectures by practicing IP-lawyers sharing insights into the new system as well as career opportunities. The lecture series is open to all interested law students, doctoral candidates, academic staff and international guests. The lectures will be in English, questions in German are welcome.

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08.04.2024	Introduction **Prof. Dr. Mary-Rose McGuire,** Osnabrück University
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29.04.2024	Interim Measures **Dr. Marina Wehler**, Arnold Ruess
06.05.2024	Jurisdiction for Infringement **Hetti Hilge, LL.M.,** rospatt osten pross
13.05.2024	Patent Validity **Miriam Kiefer LL.M.,** KATHER • AUGENSTEIN
27.05.2024	Contractual Exploitation **Dr. Eva Thörner**, WILDANGER

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