

Amendments

Programme | 22 October to 5 December 2025

Format - **Online seminar**

Seminar reference - **OS07-2025**

Level - **Intermediate Level**

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Description

This tutored seminar provides participants with practical exercises on amendments. It comprises three modules, each of which contains two live sessions that build on each other:

- **Module 1:** definition and different types of amendments; when can amendments be submitted and what are the requirements for admitting amendments; assessment of allowability in simple cases
- **Module 2:** the content of the application as originally filed in special cases; intermediate generalisation; amendments in the description and in the drawings; amendments via a disclaimer
- **Module 3:** exercises and introduction to complex cases; complex cases, such as amendments of ranges and the inescapable trap linked to Articles 123(2) and 123(3) EPC

For each module, participants must study the training material available in the classroom. A brief summary of the main theoretical aspects will be given during the first online session of each module and be illustrated with examples. The second online session will be dedicated to discussing exercises, specific cases and questions posted in a forum available to participants.

Technical requirements

The online sessions will be held on Zoom.

Wednesday, 22 October

MODULE 1

All times are CET (Central European Time)

Session 1

- 09.30** – **Definition and different types of amendments**
– **Admissibility**
– **Allowability**

Speakers:

Nathalie Pierre and Mauro Boero, EPO examiners

- 11.30** **Questions and conclusion**

Session 2

- 09.30** **Discussion on exercises and specific cases**

Speakers:

Nathalie Pierre and Mauro Boero, EPO examiners

- 12.00** **Questions and answers**

Wednesday, 29 October

Wednesday, 12 November

MODULE 2

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Session 3

- 09.30** – **The content of the application as originally filed in special cases**
– **Intermediate generalisation**
– **Amendments in the description and in the drawings**
– **Amendments via a disclaimer**

Speakers:

Frédéric Cavallo and Mauro Boero, EPO examiners

- 11.30** **Questions and conclusion**

Wednesday, 19 November

Session 4

- 09.30** **Discussion on exercises and specific cases**

Speakers:

Frédéric Cavallo and Mauro Boero, EPO examiners

- 12.00** **Questions and answers**

Monday, 1 December

MODULE 3

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Session 5

- 09.30** – **Complex cases**
– **Amendments of ranges**
– **Articles 123(2) and 123(3) EPC trap**

Speakers:

Frédéric Cavallo and Valentina Morra, EPO examiners

- 11.30** **Questions and conclusion**

Friday, 5 December

Session 6

- 09.30** **Discussion on exercises and specific cases**

Speakers:

Frédéric Cavallo and Valentina Morra, EPO examiners

- 12.00** **Questions and answers**