

Mastering exclusions from and exceptions to patentability

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Format - **Online workshop**

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Description

This workshop addresses patentability exceptions and exclusions, predominantly in the fields of biotechnology and computer-implemented inventions.

Its aim is for participants to exchange practices on handling related challenges at their respective patent offices. Examples of typical standard situations will be presented.

Participants are invited to prepare a summary of their own experience in these fields for discussion during the online sessions and in the course's forum.

Participants are senior patent examiners in the respective fields of expertise.

Technical requirements

The sessions will be held on Zoom.

Duration

Seven hours.

12 June

9.30 - 11.30 hrs CEST

Session on biotechnology

- **Exceptions to the patentability of biological material: a legal perspective.**
- **Exceptions and exclusions in biotechnological patents: a technical view.**
- **A practical approach: discussion of examples.**

Begoña Blanco Urgoiti, patent examiner

Jean-Luc Gal, patent lawyer

10 July

14.00 - 16.00 hrs CEST

Session on computer-implemented inventions

- **Computer-implemented inventions (CII): a legal perspective**
- **Patenting CII: a technical view**
- **In practice: examples from various CII areas**

Falk Giemsa, patent examiner

Magdalena Kolasa, patent lawyer