

Post Grant Procedures for technology transfer officers (for RTTP Candidates)

Programme | 15-16 October 2026

Format - **Online course**

Course reference - **NV10-2026**

Level - **Intermediate level**

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Description

Patents are a powerful asset in the toolbox of a technology transfer professional. This two-day interactive course covers how innovative ideas are protected within the patenting system after a decision on the patent grant has been made. It has been accredited by the Alliance of Technology Transfer Professionals (ATTP) and carries 10 continuing education (CE) points for the Registered Technology Transfer Professional (RTTP) professional qualification (subject to an attendance of at least 90% of the course).

Technical requirements

The sessions will be held on Zoom.

Thursday,
15 October

Moderator:
Tom Withnell, European Patent Academy, EPO

Speakers:
Xavier Seuba, Principal Director, EPO
Sébastien Bareyt, European Patent Academy, EPO
Edward Cooke, Examiner, EPO
Alexander Seeger, Boards of Appeal, EPO
Vincenzo Bevilacqua, Boards of Appeal, EPO

- 08.50 **Zoom link activated**
- 09.00 **Moderator welcome**
Tom Withnell
- 09.00 **Welcome address**
Xavier Seuba
- 09.05 **Intro session**
All participants

- 09.20 **Introduction to European Patent Office and its Procedures**
Sébastien Bareyt
- 10.50 *Break*
- 11.00 **Patent Opposition**
Edward Cooke
- 13.00 *Lunch break*
- 14.00 **Appeals Process**
Alexander Seeger, Vincenzo Bevilacqua
- 16.00 **Mini-wrap up**
Tom Withnell
- 16.05 **End of session**

Friday,
16 October

Moderator:
Tom Withnell, European Patent Academy, EPO

Speakers:
Pierre Treichel, Patent Law Policy, EPO
Edward Cooke, Examiner, EPO

- 09.10

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Moderator welcome
Tom Withnell
- 09.20

Introduction to the Unitary Patent scheme
Pierre Treichel
- 10.50

Break
- 11.00

Post-Grant Amendments and Limitations
Edward Cooke

- 12.00

Lunch break
- 13.00

Case Studies and Best Practices
Edward Cooke
- 14.00

Break
- 14.10

Course Conclusion and Q&A
Edward Cooke, Tom Withnell
- 15.10

End of zoom session
- 15.10

Online networking event
Tom Withnell
- 15.40

End of session