



Update on recent decisions of the Boards of Appeal

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Format: Online seminar

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Advanced level

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Description

Find out what's new in the case law of the Boards of Appeal. This seminar offers a unique opportunity for staff at national patent offices to engage with members of the boards on key topics relating to board of appeal decisions.

The seminar focuses on recent case law highlights, and specifically addresses:

- Claim interpretation (referral G 1/24) and its impact on:
 - Added subject-matter
 - Novelty
 - Sufficiency of disclosure
 - Inventive step
- Commercial products as prior art (referral G 1/23)
- G 2/21 follow-up: What is the invention and when was it made?

Technical requirements

The sessions will be held on Zoom.

Wednesday, 30 April 2025

	Moderator: <i>Antoine Robin, Boards of Appeal Unit, Legal Research, EPO</i>
08.50 hrs*	Zoom link activated
09.00 hrs	Welcome <i>Moderator</i>
09.10 hrs	Claim interpretation (referral G 1/24) and its impact on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Added subject-matter• Novelty <i>Karel Peirs, technical Board of Appeal, electricity, EPO</i> Q&A
09.40 hrs	Commercial products as prior art (referral G 1/23) <i>Berthold Rutz, technical Board of Appeal, chemistry, EPO</i> Q&A
10.10 hrs	Break
10.30 hrs	Claim interpretation (referral G 1/24) and its impact on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sufficiency of disclosure• Inventive step <i>Karel Peirs</i> Q&A
11.00 hrs	Break
11.20 hrs	G 2/21 follow-up: What is the invention and when was it made? <i>Berthold Rutz</i> Q&A
11.50 hrs	Wrap-up and conclusion <i>Moderator</i>

*All times indicated are CET/CEST.