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Evening Webinar: Tuesday 27 February 2024 at 6:00 pm

The CLA will be holding an evening webinar on **Tuesday 27 February** at 6pm.

Bethan Hopewell, Klaus Haft and Stefania Bergia have kindly agreed to speak on the following:

UPC Webinar Series: Part I “Provisional Measures”

A discussion of the key learnings in respect of provisional measures at the UPC, including ex parte and inter partes preliminary injunction applications, applications to preserve evidence and penalty payments.

Bethan Hopewell is a Partner at Powell Gilbert. Bethan’s practice focuses on complex IP disputes. She has represented clients on some of the leading patent cases in the fields of pharmaceuticals, molecular diagnostics and biotechnology and represents clients before all instances of the UK courts, including two cases that have reached the Supreme Court. These remain the key UK authorities on the law of industrial application and on the infringement and validity of second medical use patents.

A significant aspect of Bethan’s practice involves the strategic coordination of multi-jurisdictional patent disputes. Bethan frequently coordinates large-scale litigation programs advising in respect of parallel actions before the European Patent Office and national courts in Europe, the US and beyond. This multijurisdictional angle to her work also now includes advising clients on actions before the Unified Patent Court.

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Klaus Haft is a Partner at Hoyng Rokh Monegier. As a German qualified attorney and physicist, Klaus is a trial lawyer in the field of intellectual property law with a particular emphasis on patent litigation. He acts for his clients before the Unified Patent Court, national German courts, collaborates on opposition proceedings, and plans and coordinates multi-national litigation cases.

Klaus studied in Würzburg and Munich. He wrote his diploma thesis at the European Laboratory for Particle Physics, CERN, in Geneva. Parallel to his studies, he worked as a freelancer in a Munich based patent attorney firm for more than 10 years. Klaus has been a member of the Board of the European Patent Lawyers Association (EPLAW) for seven years, the last two years as its President and currently serves as a member of the advisory board. In addition, he is President Elect of the Licensing Executives Society (LES) Germany and member of the Executive Board of the Munich IP Dispute Resolution Forum.

Stefania Bergia heads the IP Practice of the Italian office of Simmons & Simmons in Milan. She assists clients on a pan-European level, on an extensive range of judicial and extra-judicial matters of IP law, including patents, trademarks and domain names, trade secrets, appellations of origin and geographical indications, industrial design, copyright and related rights, unfair competition, and arbitration. She is member of the Executive Committee of AIPPI Italia, President of the Italian Patent Group and member of the Enforcement Committee. She is regularly a speaker at IP conferences and authored publications in the IP field. She teaches at (i) WIPO-Harvard Law School Course in Patent Law and Global Public Health; (ii) the Industrial Property Course-Patents organized by the Department of Energy of Politecnico di Milano; and (iii) postgraduate courses, including those held by the Italian School for the Judiciary.

This session is free for all CLA Members. There will be a charge of £10.00 for all non-members.

To register for this event, please visit the **'New Events'** section of the CLA website.

An online link to join the webinar will be circulated via email the day before to all those who have registered.

Online registration will close midday on Monday 26 February.

With kind regards

Sharon Horwitz
Secretary