

Dear Colleagues,

Oblon and Maiwald are pleased to invite you to a further joint symposium on:

## **US and European Patent Practice - Important Aspects for Practitioners**

**Thursday, 20 February 2020 at the Hotel Sofitel Munich Bayerpost**

As you are aware, both US and European patent systems have their pros and cons, which do not always neatly align. US and European applicants alike need to be aware of the differences and peculiarities between the US and European patent systems in order to achieve the best results from both.

For more than 25 years, Oblon has obtained more US patents for its clients each year than any other law firm in the world. Oblon offers all aspects of IP services, and has one of the top four post-grant practice groups in the US. Maiwald, one of the top ranked IP firms in Germany, covers the full spectrum of IP-related matters in Germany and before the European patent/trademark offices and courts. Both firms have been recognized time and again for excellence in patent law.

At the joint symposium, we will together examine current aspects of IP practice including prosecuting applications and defending patents in the US from the perspective of a European applicant. The symposium will consider the differences in patent practice between the US and Europe, and will explore strategies for navigating these differences.

In particular, the symposium will address in detail the following four important topics for today's practitioners:

1. Claim interpretation during prosecution and admissibility of amendments - how to understand and navigate in examination before the USPTO and EPO;
2. US patent drafting tips for computer related inventions and EP examination practice on AI and IoT inventions;
3. US and EP practice on biosimilars and antibodies-related inventions; and
4. Doctrine of equivalents - recent developments.

**This seminar will take place on Thursday, 20 February 2020 at the Hotel Sofitel in Munich, starting at 10:00 and ending at 17:00. The day will conclude with a casual reception.**

**If you plan to attend, please send an e-mail to [empfang@maiwald.eu](mailto:empfang@maiwald.eu). The attendance is limited to 80 participants, and the final registration deadline is 31 January 2020.**

We look forward to welcoming you and your colleagues in Munich on 20 February 2020.  
Yours sincerely,

Oblon, McClelland, Maier & Neustadt, L.L.P. &  
Maiwald Patentanwalts- und Rechtsanwalts GmbH

### **Event day and location**

Thursday, 20 February 2020  
10:00 - 17:00

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Bayerstrasse 12  
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The working language of the symposium is English.

### **Registration**

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## Maiwald Patentanwalts- und Rechtsanwalts-GmbH

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## REGISTRATION FORM

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Please complete the registration form and send it per e-mail (which can be sent via the "send" button below), fax, or letter to Maiwald Patentanwalts- und Rechtsanwalts-GmbH by 31 January 2020.

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### Hotel reservation

Further to the Sofitel Munich Bayerpost (details above), the Anna Hotel and Hotel Excelsior would be convenient for participants:

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Please quote "Oblon Maiwald Symposium 20 February 2020" in order to obtain our special rates, however, subject to availability.

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