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How to understand and draft search reports and written opinions

Intermediate level

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Public event

08.45 Registration

09.00 Welcome and introduction

09.20 Patent procedures

- The patent procedure under the European Patent Convention
- The patent procedure under the Patent Cooperation Treaty

10.00 The structure of a search report

- Citations and their categories
- Additional information in the report
- Practical examples

10.45 Coffee break

11.15 Non-standard search reports

- Different reasons for non-standard search reports
- Additional information in the report
- Practical examples

12.00 The European search opinion (EPC) and written opinion (PCT)

- Legal basis and structure
- Prior-art documents
- Novelty and inventive step

12.45 Lunch break

- 13.45 Exercises on understanding search reports and opinions**
- European search reports and opinions
 - Non-standard search reports and opinions
- 14.45 A practical case of patent prosecution at the EPO**
- 15.15 Coffee break
- 15.45 Use of search reports and written opinions in the framework of patent information and economic intelligence**
- 17.00 Questions and answers**
- 17.15 Closure of public event
- 17.30 End of public event; drinks reception

Venue

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