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## Participants

- In-house counsels and IP professionals
- Young lawyers and patent attorneys
- Under the age of 40, or young-at-heart
- From all over the world, focus on European young members

## Dinner Location



Restaurant Zeughauskeller  
Bahnhofstr. 28A  
Beim Paradeplatz  
8001 Zürich

## Program

### Thursday, 12 July 2018

7:00 p.m.

**Speakers' Dinner**  
sponsored by MLL (invitation only)  
Location: Didi's Frieden

9:00 p.m. – open end

Informal get-together for all participants  
Location: The Lion Pub

### Friday, 13 July 2018

8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m.

**In-house counsel breakfast**  
sponsored by Kather Augenstein  
(invitation only)

9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Welcome Speech**

**Dr. Kilian Schärli**  
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**Welcome Speech**

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**Patent Blog**

**Peter Ling**  
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**Presentation of first speakers**

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

## Keynote

### Dr. Catherine Chammartin

Director General, Federal Institute of Intellectual Property, Switzerland

„Modernisation of the Swiss Copyright Act“

10:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

## E-Health: Innovation and healthcare

Moderator:

### Alexander Haertel

Kather Augenstein, Germany

Speakers:

- **Natalie Raffoul**  
Clancy + Brion Raffoul, Canada
- **Dr. med. Michael Dahlweid**  
CTO Hospital Island Group
- **Urs Stromer**  
ST-Consulting GmbH; Switzerland,  
President of Interest Group  
eHealth

11:15 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.

Break sponsored by **Schellenberg Wittmer**  
Coffee and cake

11:40 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

## Follow up E-Health

### Simon Holzer

MLL, Switzerland

“From radiologists to deep learning diagnostic tools: legal issues in the field of e-health”

12:10 p.m. – 12:20 p.m.

## LESI Life Science Committee Mentoring Program

12:20 p.m. – 01:20 p.m.

Buffet Lunch sponsored by  
**Lenz & Staehelin**

01:20 p.m. – 02:20 p.m.

## Artificial Intelligence

Moderator:

### Vincent Bergeron

ROBIC, Canada

Speakers:

- **Pia Björk**  
EPO
- **Bernd Laqua**  
Wuesthoff & Wuesthoff, Germany
- **Paul Gagnon**  
Element AI
- **David Marques**  
Darts IP

02:20 p.m. – 02:50 p.m.

## Hindsight bias in patent law

### PD Dr. Mark Schweizer

President of the Swiss Federal Patent Court

02:50 p.m. – 03:30 p.m.

Break with “Swiss special guests”  
sponsored by **Wuesthoff & Wuesthoff**  
Coffee and cake

03:30 p.m. – 04:30 p.m.

## The Future of Litigation and ADR in Med- tech, Biotech and Pharma Disputes

Moderator:

### Philipp Groz

Schellenberg Wittmer, Switzerland

Speakers:

- **Tom Oliver**  
Powell Gilbert LLP, United Kingdom
- **Thomas Schachl**  
Wallinger Ricker Schlotter Tostmann, Germany
- **Isabel Burnham**  
Mundipharma International Limited
- **Dr. Stéphanie Chuffart**,  
BianchiSchwald, Switzerland

04:30 p.m. – 04.45 p.m. **Blockchain and Licensing**

**Marco Bellia**

Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy

04.45 p.m. – 05.00 p.m. **ECJ judgement C-179/16 of 23 January 2018**

**Philipp Widera**

Vossius & Partner, Germany

05.00 p.m. – 05.20 p.m. **Upcoming LES YMC Events**

**Tom Gaunt**

Ablett & Stebbing, United Kingdom

05:20 p.m. – 05.40 p.m. **Closing Remarks**

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07:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. **Dinner in „Zeughauskeller“  
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10:30 p.m. – open end

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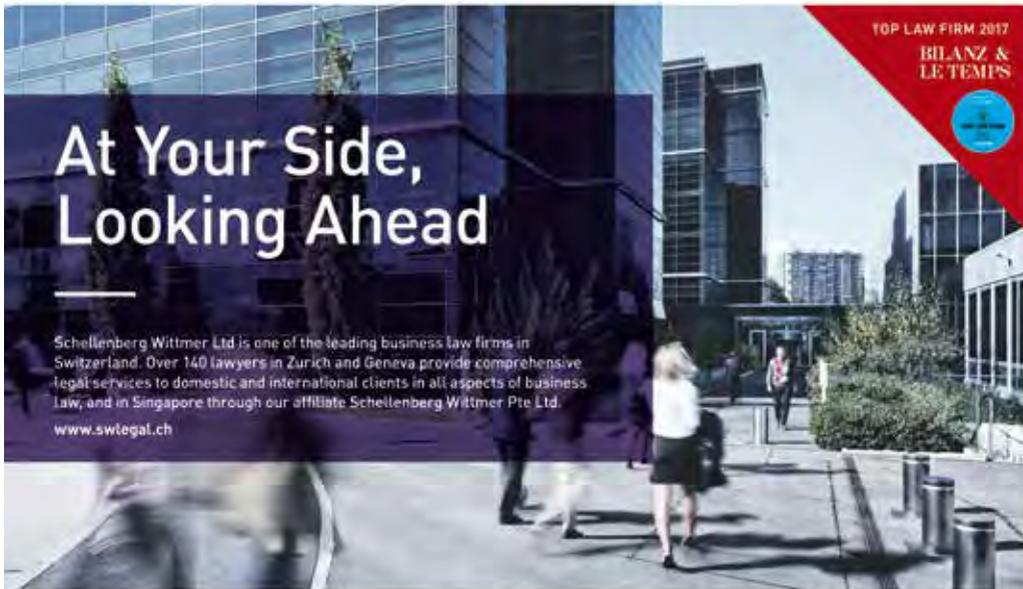
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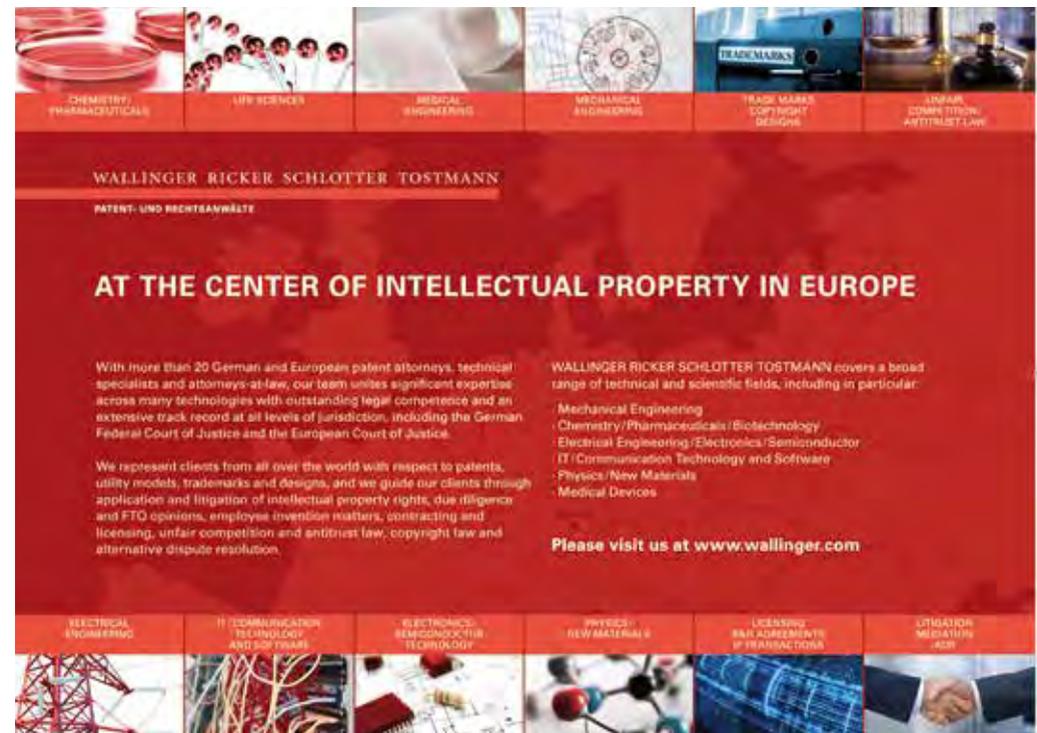
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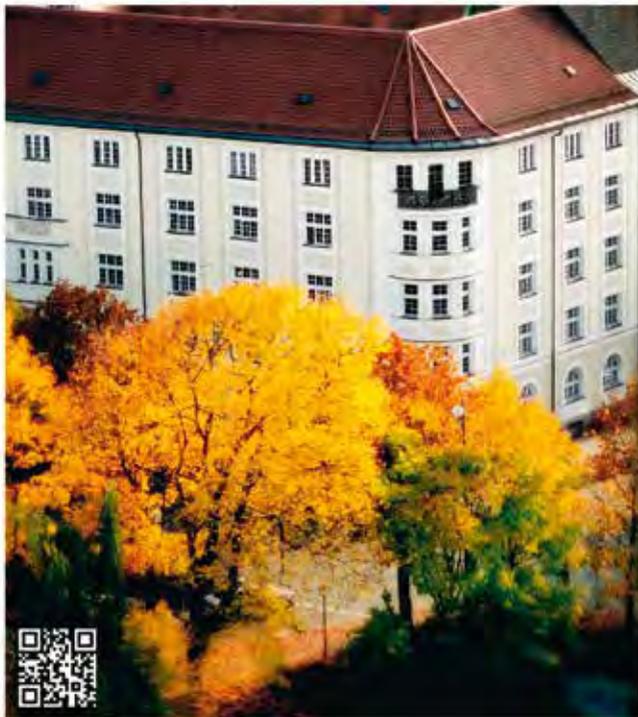
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Marco Bellia is currently Post-doc Researcher in Commercial Law at the Catholic University of the Sacred Heart of Milan and Contract Professor of Intellectual Property and Competition Law at the University of Verona. After his graduation cum laude in Law at the Catholic University of Milan, in 2012 he was admitted to the bar of Milan and in 2015 he

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In February 2017 Marco Bellia joined the Studio Avvocato Spolidoro ([www.spolex.it](http://www.spolex.it)). He advises clients, both in litigation and out of Court, in the field of company law, competition law, and IP law.



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Vincent Bergeron is a Partner, Lawyer and Trademark agent with ROBIC in Quebec City, where he practices in the protection and defense of intellectual property assets related to

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Author of over a hundred publications and conferences, Vincent Bergeron has been invited as a speaker on intellectual property and emerging technologies issues by several organizations around the world. Recently, he has been awarded the Young Business Personality of the Year Award in Quebec, the Louis-Philippe Philippe Pigeon Award from the Quebec Bar and the Raymond Blais from Laval University.

He is also Chair of LES (USA&Canada)'s YMC Committee, Co-President of the Canadian Bar Association, Quebec Division, for the Information, Telecommunications and Intellectual Property Section, and Chair-Elect of LESI's YMC Committee.

Pia Björk, Sweden, joined the European Patent Office (EPO) in 1989 in Munich as an examiner in the fields of metallurgy and general mechanics. Between 2007 and 2017 she was operational director in the cluster of Pure and Applied Organic Chemistry in directorates dealing with cosmetics and then later pharma. Pia Björk has been involved in basic and advanced training of examiners in search and examination as well as a cluster representative in the Patent Law and Procedures group of the EPO. She was involved in setting up a network for Computer Implemented Inventions in chemistry. In January 2018 she joined the European Patent Academy where she has in particular been involved in organising events relating to Artificial Intelligence and patents.



Pia Björk

Isabel Burnham is Patent Litigation Counsel at Mundipharma International Limited, part of the Mundipharma global network of independent associated companies. The Mundipharma network is focused on developing business partnerships to identify and accelerate meaningful technology across an increasingly diverse portfolio of therapy areas including respiratory, oncology, pain, and biosimilars.

Before moving to Mundipharma International Limited, Isabel was a senior associate at Powell Gilbert LLP, a specialist intellectual property law firm based in London. During her time at Powell Gilbert, Isabel represented clients in the English courts, including the Patents Court and the Court of Appeal, and gained extensive experience in coordinating multi-jurisdictional patent litigation across Europe and North America.



Isabel Burnham



Catherine Chammartin

Ms Catherine Chammartin is the Director General of the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property (IPI). The IPI is the federal government's central point of contact for all questions concerning patents, trademarks, geographical designations of origin, design protection and copyright. It is responsible for examining, granting and administering industrial property rights (patents, trademarks and designs) as well as for drafting legislation and advising the Federal Council and other federal authorities on matters concerning intellectual property.

Ms Catherine Chammartin is Dr. iur. et lic. rer. pol., Attorney-at-Law. She has held different positions in the Federal Department of Finance, first in the Federal Finance Administration, then in the State Secretariat for International Financial Matters SIF. In 2015, she became Director General of the Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property. At the international level, she is a member of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation (EPO) in Munich.



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Michael Dahlweid is the Chief Technology and Innovation Officer for the Insel Group, the largest Swiss healthcare organization. Previously, Michael was the global chief medical officer for GE Healthcare, CSC Healthcare, and global chief medical officer and head of the Enterprise IT business unit for AGFA. He has worked in many countries during his career. Michael received his M.D., Ph.D. in Germany, and his business education in the U.K. While still seeing patients in emergency care, he also teaches healthcare information management and design thinking.



Michael Dahlweid

Paul is in-house counsel at Element AI, a company at the forefront of the transformations generated by artificial intelligence. Specialized in information technology, intellectual property and competition law, Paul previously worked in-house (Cirque du Soleil, Intel) as well as the Montreal office of a major law firm (Fasken). A graduate of the Université de Sherbrooke, Paul also obtained in 2012 an LL.M. in Intellectual Property and Competition Law from the Munich Intellectual Property Law Center (Max-Planck Institute, GW Law, TMU, Augsburg). His LL.M. thesis dealt with applying European competition law applicable to patent trolls in IT (published at Oxford University Press, thesis director Josef Drexl). He regularly deals with issues of IP acquisition and prosecution, licensing, data management, IT sourcing, Open Source management as well as strategic matters for the hyper-growth start-up that is Element AI (Series A, June 2017, 100MUSD).



Paul Gagnon



Philipp Groz

Philipp Groz is an IP and dispute resolution partner at the Swiss law firm Schellenberg Wittmer, where he heads the firm's IP and life sciences practice. He regularly represents clients in litigation and arbitration proceedings with a focus on disputes related to IP, unfair competition, licensing and distribution. Apart from his work as counsel, Philipp also sits as an arbitrator and is listed as a neutral with the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center. He also advises on non-contentious matters in his areas of expertise. Philipp is a board member of Licensing Executives Society Switzerland. He is recognized in Who's Who Legal's Future Leaders Arbitration rankings in 2017 and 2018 in relation to his expertise in IP-related arbitrations. Philipp graduated from the law school of the University of Zurich and also earned a Master of Laws (LL.M.) from NYU Law.



Alexander Haertel

Alexander has been active as a lawyer since 2004, before joining Preu Bohlig & Partner as a lawyer in 2006. He is one of the founding partners of Kather Augenstein. He advises and represents national and international companies of all sizes. The focus of his work is in liti-

gation for technical intellectual property rights (patents, utility models). He is also active in the field of soft IP, and particularly advises his clients in matters of trademarks, design and unfair competition law. Alexander also has particular experience in the management of cross-border proceedings, in particular in the field of telecommunication. He acted in a series of disputes between major mobile phone companies. He also is constantly asked to participate in validity proceedings before the German Federal Patent Court or the EPO. Alexander is a member of the Licensing Executives Society International (LESI), and is Vice-Chair of the Dispute Resolution Committee. In addition, he coordinates the external relations for the Young Members Committee. Alexander is tasked with the management of the Committee on Patent Law in the Working Group on Intellectual Property and Media (AGEM) of the German Association of Lawyers. He is also a member of EPLAW and GRUR. Alexander regularly lectures and publishes on various topics in the field of intellectual property.

Simon Holzer is the head of MML's patent and life sciences team, which is consistently ranked as one of the top Swiss IP teams by peers and clients. He has extensive experience in all areas of IP law, with a focus on patents, trademarks, geographical indications and unfair competition. Simon is also a trusted adviser in the field of pharmaceutical regulatory law and has substantial experience in both advising and representing clients in complex national and inter-national disputes extending across a wide range of industries and technologies, including pharmaceuticals, medical devices, telecommunications (including standard-essential patents and FRAND issues), software, cosmetics and foodstuffs. In 2010, the Swiss Parliament appointed Simon Holzer as an adjunct judge of the Swiss Federal Patent Court. This court has jurisdiction over patent disputes throughout Switzerland. Simon is praised by clients and peers as "a leader in the contentious sphere" who is "top-ranked by peers" within the "excellent"



Simon Holzer

and "high-flying" IP team of MLL. According to clients, Simon is particularly well versed in the areas of patents and pharma and clients highlight his "in-depth technical understanding". Other sources describe Simon as a "key life sciences expert" and a "superstar in patent litigation" as well as a "pleasure to work with".

Bernd Laqua studied computer science at the Technical University of Munich and at the Georgia Institute of Technology, USA, with focus on distributed systems, artificial intelligence, business intelligence and software engineering. He graduated in 2007 with distinction. Besides his computer science studies, he completed the management-oriented graduate program Technology Management at the Center for Digital Technology and Management (CDTM) in Munich, which is part of the Elite Network of Bavaria. Subsequently, Bernd Laqua was self-employed, founded his own company and established a business in the field of high frequency trading of financial instruments which he transferred to another company in 2011. Bernd Laqua then commenced his legal and practical training at Wuesthoff & Wuesthoff which he successfully completed in 2014. He is admitted as German Patent Attorney and as European Patent Attorney and became partner at Wuesthoff & Wuesthoff in 2018. Bernd Laqua has expertise in all aspects of patent practice



Bernd Laqua

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David Marques

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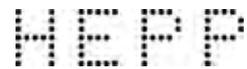


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