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# **Dr. Norbert Hansen**

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Norbert advises and represents major multinational clients on matters relating to national and international patent protection. His professional activities include securing, maintaining, enforcing and challenging patents and utility models, IP portfolio management and employee invention law. A large part of his work is concerned with opposition and appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office. His specialist fields are chemistry, chemical engineering, material sciences and semi-conductors.

### **CAREER**

since 2005	Partner, shareholder and managing director at Maiwald
since 2003	Lecturer in Intellectual Property at the Faculty of Chemistry and Pharmacy of the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich
since 2002	Patent attorney at Maiwald
1998 - 2002	Patent attorney trainee at Maiwald

## **EDUCATION**

2023	Admitted to practice before the UPC
2005	Admitted to practice as European patent attorney
2002	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
1999 - 2001	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
1995 - 1997	Doctoral degree in the field of organometallic chemistry from the Technical University of Munich
1989 - 1995	Studied chemistry at the Technical University of Munich

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

• Organic Chemistry & Polymers

- Inorganic & Construction Materials
- Food & Agriculture
- Displays & Light
- Employee Invention Law
- Patents & Utility Models
- IP Consulting

### **SERVICES**

- Patent prosecution and portfolio management
- Filing strategies and drafting patent applications
- Freedom-to-operate and validity analysis
- Opposition and appeal proceedings
- Nullity and patent litigation proceedings

### **RECOGNITIONS**

- Listed in the Leaders League shortlist as "Best IP Advisor Germany" (silver award) 2023
- Recommended in IAM Patent 1000 "World's Leading Patent Professionals" 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
- Recommended in Handelsblatt | Best Lawyers "Germany's Best Lawyers" 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- BGH denies injunctive relief grace period in patent case, 2016
- Infringer cannot intervene in reinstatement procedure, 2016
- BPatG judges have adequate technical expertise, 2015
- Multiple complaints bring higher cost risk for defendant, 2014
- Different disclosure standards for novelty and priority, 2013
- One person can sue for nullity twice, 2012
- Controlled Thermolysis of Nitrido- and Imidomolybdenum Complexes: A New Route to Phase-Pure Molybdenum Nitrides, Chemistry of Materials, 1998
- Verfahren zur Herstellung aromatischer Nitrile, DE19647795A1, 1998
- Molekulare Katalysatoren für die Ammondehydrierung, Technische Universität München, Dissertation, 1997
- Verfahren zur Herstellung von Molybdännitriden, DE19620815A1, 1997

## **IMPORTANT CASES**

• Representation of patentees before the EPO's Enlarged Board of Appeal in the G1/16 case, where the Board handed down a landmark decision on the allowability of disclaimers in patent claims

### **MEMBERSHIPS**

- German Patent Attorney Association
- epi
- FICPI
- AIPPI
- AIPLA
- LES
- GDCh

### **LANGUAGES**

- German
- English