



## Dr Christian Schäfflein

**Partner**

**German Patent Attorney**

**European Patent Attorney**

**Physicist**

Christian Schäfflein's international clients rely on his expertise in handling disputes across the full spectrum of IP law worldwide. He manages patent and utility model prosecutions on behalf of clients, conducts opposition and invalidity proceedings and prepares freedom-to-operate opinions in the fields of sensor systems, data processing, aircraft construction, medical devices and imaging. As head of the digitalization and data security group at Maiwald, he is deeply knowledgeable in the areas of artificial intelligence, Internet of Things (IoT), data security and autonomous driving. His professional competence in looking after the IP interests of internationally operating corporations derives from, among other things, his detailed knowledge of US patent law.

### CAREER

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Since 2008	Partner, shareholder and managing director at Maiwald
Since 2006	Patent attorney at Maiwald
2003-2006	Patent attorney trainee at Maiwald
2001	Foundation of Attocube Systems AG

### EDUCATION

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2006	Admitted to practice as European patent attorney
2006	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
2003-2006	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
2000-2003	Doctoral degree in the field of experimental semiconductor physics at the Center for NanoScience (CeNS) from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich
1993-1999	Studied physics at the University of Regensburg, the University of California, Irvine and the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

## **PRACTICE AREAS**

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- Electrical & Mechanical Engineering
- Communication & Information Technology
- Mobility & Energy
- Measuring & Process Technology
- Medical Technology & Imaging
- IP Consulting
- Patents & Utility Models
- Trademarks & Designs
- Artificial Intelligence & Digitalization

## **SERVICES**

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

## **RECOGNITIONS**

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- Recommended in Legal 500 Deutschland 2021
- Recommended in IAM Patent 1000 "World's Leading Patent Professionals" 2018, 2019, 2020

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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- Protection of inventions in AI and digitalisation, IAM Yearbook, 2020 (together with Fabian Kiendl)
- BigData und IoT – kann Europa gegen Google und Co bestehen?, Ingenieurversteher, 05/2017

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

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- German Patent Attorney Association
- epi
- GRUR
- AIPPI
- AIPLA
- VPP
- Bavarian Academy of Sciences and Humanities

## **LANGUAGES**

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- German
- English