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## Dr. Martin Handwerk

**Senior Associate**  
**German Patent Attorney**  
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**Chemist**

Martin advises and represents companies in the chemical industry, in particular from the areas of polymer chemistry, foodstuffs and pharmacy. The main focus of his work is on patent prosecution and opposition proceedings before the European Patent Office and on the preparation of freedom-to-operate and validity opinions. Martin has long years of experience in the field of polymer chemistry, particularly polyolefins, and the fields of ophthalmic lenses and solutions and of pharmaceutical formulations and granulating processes. He formerly conducted research into carbohydrate and polyolato complexes.

## CAREER

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since 2016	Patent attorney at Maiwald
2008 - 2016	Patent attorney at two different IP law firms
2004 - 2007	Patent attorney trainee at an IP law firm

## EDUCATION

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2024	Admitted to practice before the UPC
2009	Admitted to practice as European patent attorney
2008	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
2004 - 2006	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
2000 - 2003	Doctoral degree in the field of bioinorganic chemistry from the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich
1994 - 2000	Studied chemistry at the Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich

## PRACTICE AREAS

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- Pharma & Biotech
- Organic Chemistry & Polymers
- Inorganic & Construction Materials
- Patents & Utility Models

## 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

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

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- German Patent Attorney Association
- epi
- FICPI

## **LANGUAGES**

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- German
- English