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Erwin advises clients on all questions relating to national and international IP law, including patents, utility models, trademarks and designs. His specialist fields are electronics, computer-implemented inventions (CII), medical technology and telecommunications. Erwin worked for several years with Siemens AG, where he was involved in a broad range of research and development projects. These included, for example, software diagnostic tests for assembly units, development of an RISC processor (as ASIC), formal description and synthesis of bus protocols, performance and reliability analyses and telecommunications. He published about 30 articles or book chapters and for 15 years was also a lecturer in computer architecture (microprocessor-systems technology) at the RWTH Aachen.

CAREER

since 2018	German patent attorney at Maiwald
2015 - 2018	German patent attorney at an IP law firm
2012 - 2015	Patent attorney trainee at an IP law firm
1985 - 2012	Various tasks at Siemens AG

EDUCATION

2015	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
2012 - 2015	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
1994	External doctoral degree in the field of formal methods in computer architecture from the Technical University of Munich
1981 - 1985	Studied philosophy with a minor subject of art history at the Munich School of Philosophy S.J.
1979 - 1985	Studied electrical engineering at the Technical University of Munich

PRACTICE AREAS

- Electrical & Mechanical Engineering
- Communication & Information Technology
- Mobility & Energy
- Measuring & Process Technology
- Medical Technology & Imaging

- Patents & Utility Models
- Artificial Intelligence & Digitalization

SERVICES

- Filing strategies and drafting patent applications
- Opposition and nullity proceedings
- Patent litigation

MEMBERSHIPS

- German Patent Attorney Association
- VDE
- GI
- IEEE

LANGUAGES

- German
- English