

# Unitary Patent Action Plan

A new European patent system will enter into force late 2022 or early 2023. European Patents granted before the start of the new system will automatically fall within the jurisdiction of a newly formed Unified Patent Court (UPC) unless they are opted out. It is time to prepare and we suggest the following to form and implement a Unitary Patent Action Plan.

Introductory Meeting

Analysis

Implementation

## Introductory Meeting

A meeting during which you get to understand the basics of the new European patent system and we get to know your patent portfolio. We discuss what is important in your technical field, what drives your business and your competitors'. The meeting is complimentary for AWA clients and informative in purpose.

## Analysis

This step includes an in-depth analysis of the patent portfolio. It could comprise a recommendation/decision whether to opt in or opt out for each patent and patent application; or it may be set on a higher level (for example on a product or project basis). A strategy could be formed for which patents to request unitary effect and for which to use classical validations.

## Implementation

The results of the analysis are implemented. You are confident in knowing how to act in the future and you and your patent portfolio are prepared for the start of the new patent system.

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