

The Training Centre for Judges of the Unified Patent Court in Budapest has started operating

The training of the future judges of the Unified Patent Court started upon the ceremonial opening on 23 February 2015 in the training centre inaugurated in Budapest last year.

László Trócsányi, Minister of Justice and Dr. Miklós Bendzsel, President of the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office confirmed that properly trained and prepared judges are indispensable for the efficient operation of the court to be established. Both the Ministry of Justice and the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office are committed to ensure all conditions for the successful training of the judges.

The participants of the event were welcomed by Margot Fröhlinger, Principal Director of the European Patent Office, as well as by Olivér Várhelyi, Deputy Permanent Representative of Hungary to the European Union in Brussels, who contributed to the accomplishment of the programme as Human Resources and Training Group Co-ordinator of the Preparatory Committee.

During the one-week training the first group consisting of nineteen persons of pre-selected judge candidates will receive a deep insight into the knowledge necessary for their later work from the experts of the European Patent Office and well-known European patent lawyers.