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With his studies of computer science, Patrick Heckeler has reliable expertise in the patentability of inventions in the field of computer technology. In addition to specializing in computer science, he also handles patents in the fields of multimedia technology and telecommunications.

His main areas of practice as a German patent attorney include patent prosecution, opposition and appeal proceedings as well as infringement and nullity complaints.

Patrick Heckeler has excellent knowledge in the areas of computer architecture, operating systems, databases, embedded systems, audio and video coding, virtualization, and network technology. Having participated in the Safety-Critical Systems Research Group of the computer research department of the University of Tübingen, he also has extensive knowledge of the development and verification of safety-critical systems in the automotive industry and industrial automation.

Patrick Heckeler is a member of the Chamber of Patent Attorneys, the International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys, the Association of Intellectual Property Experts (VPP), the Licensing Executives Society and the German Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (GRUR). Furthermore, Patrick Heckeler has authored and co-authored various scientific publications.



Legal Areas

Patent Valuation	Patent Litigation
Patent Prosecution	Oppositions and Nullity
Unitary Patent	Unified Patent Court

Industries



Software, IT & Computer Technology



Telecommunications



Semiconductor Technology

Automotive



Recommended in











Memberships

German Patent Lawyers Bar

German Informatics Society (Gesellschaft für Informatik e.V., GI)

German Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (Deutsche Vereinigung für gewerblichen Rechtsschutz und Urheberrecht e.V., GRUR)

International Federation of Intellectual Property Attorneys (FICPI)

Licensing Executive Society Deutschland (LES Deutschland)

Licensing Executive Society International (LESI)



Publications

Co-author of the chapter on Germany in Stobbs, Gregory A.: "Software Patents Worldwide," ISBN: 978-9-041-12502-6

Chapter "Patent Act" in Schuster/Grützmacher, IT Law Commentary, 2nd revised edition, 2025, Publisher: Dr. Otto Schmidt, ISBN: 978-3-504-56109-3

Communications from German Patent Attorneys, comments by Graf/Heckeler on EPO "Refractory Lining / Refractory vs. VESUVIUS – Executable Disclosure in Machine Learning," February 2025 issue, Carl Heymanns Verlag



Curriculum Vitae

2023	Registration as a Representative before the UPC
2021 - today	Partner of the firm
2018	Licensed to practice as a European Patent Attorney
2017 - today	Associate of the firm BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, Munich, Germany
2017	Admitted to the German Bar of Patent Attorneys
2016 - 2017	Trainee at the German Patent and Trademark Office and at the German Federal Patent Court
2014 - 2016	Technical expert and trainee patent attorney at BARDEHLE PAGENBERG, Munich, Germany
2014 - 2016	Studies of law for patent attorneys at the FernUniversität, Hagen, Germany
2008 - 2013	Doctoral candidate and research assistant in the Computer Engineering Department of the Faculty of Science at Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen, Germany
2008	Awarded the degree of a DiplInf.
2002 - 2007	Self-employed software developer
2001 - 2008	Degree in Computer Science at Eberhard Karls University, Tübingen, Germany
2000 - 2001	Software Developer at Mediacluster GmbH