

5 KEY TAKEAWAYS

International Tidbits: An Overview of Unitary Patents, Brand Protection in China, Import and Export Controls, and Compliance - Part 2

Kilpatrick Townsend recently held its annual [KTIPS \(Kilpatrick Townsend Intellectual Property Seminar\)](#). Firm attorneys led a day of interactive discussions with clients on the latest developments in intellectual property law and their impact on patent and trademark strategies. Kilpatrick Townsend attorneys [Maria Baratta](#), [Kristin Doyle](#), [Adria Perez](#), and [Gunjan Talati](#), presented “International Tidbits: An Overview of Unitary Patents, Brand Protection in China, Import and Export Controls, and Compliance.”

Ms. Doyle's five takeaways from the presentation, include:

1

A new type of European patent, the “Unitary Patent,” and a new European patent court, the “Unified Patent Court,” come to life on June 1, 2023.

A single Unitary Patent will cover 17 European countries (with the possibility of more in the future).

2

3

The Unitary Patent stands and falls as one patent such that, if it falls, patent protection is lost in all applicable countries.

The Unified Patent Court has exclusive jurisdiction over Unitary Patents.

4

5

The Unified Patent Court has default jurisdiction over other EPO validated patents but owners of such patents can affirmatively opt-out of the Unified Patent Court for the foreseeable future.

For more information, please contact:

Maria Baratta, mbaratta@kilpatricktownsend.com,

Kristin Doyle, kdoyle@kilpatricktownsend.com,

Adria Perez, aperez@kilpatricktownsend.com,

Gunjan Talati, gtalati@kilpatricktownsend.com.