

Administrative Committee

Set-up of local and regional divisions of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court

Luxembourg, 8 July 2022

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Explanatory Note

According to Article 18 of the Statute of the Unified Patent Court (hereafter 'UPCA'), the setting up of local and regional divisions of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court shall be adopted by the Administrative Committee.

According to Article 18 (2) of the Statute of the Unified Patent Court, said decision shall indicate the number of judges for the division concerned and shall be public.

The draft decision hereunder follows the oral requests made by delegations at the Administrative Committee's meeting of 22 February 2022, under agenda point VI. a. and the letter dated 31 March 2022, received by the Chairman of the Administrative Committee from the German delegation on the set-up of additional local divisions under Article 7(4) of the UPCA.

Decision of the Administrative Committee

of 8 July 2022

ON THE SET-UP OF LOCAL AND REGIONAL DIVISIONS OF THE COURT OF FIRST INSTANCE OF THE UNIFIED PATENT COURT

THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE UNIFIED PATENT COURT

HAVING REGARD to the Agreement on a Unified Patent Court and in particular Article 7(3), (4) and (5) and Article 8(1) to (4) thereof;

HAVING REGARD to the Statute of the Unified Patent Court and in particular Article 18(1) and (2) thereof;

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

I. Set-up of local and regional divisions of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court

- 1. Local divisions of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court shall be established at the following locations, with the indicated number of judges for the division concerned:
 - a. in Vienna, Austria 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - b. in Brussels, Belgium 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - c. in Copenhagen, Denmark 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - d. In Helsinki, Finland 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - e. in Paris, France 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - f. in Düsseldorf, Germany 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - g. in Hamburg, Germany 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - h. in Mannheim, Germany 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - i. in Munich, Germany 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - j. in Milan, Italy 2 Legally Qualified Judges
 - k. in Lisbon, Portugal 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - I. in Ljubljana, Slovenia 1 Legally Qualified Judge
 - m. in The Hague, The Netherlands 2 Legally Qualified Judges
- 2. The following regional division of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court shall be established, with the indicated number of judges for the division concerned:
 - a. Nordic-Baltic regional division, mainly located in Stockholm 2 Legally Qualified Judges

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II. Entry into force

This decision shall enter into force on 8 July 2022.

Done at Luxembourg on 8 July 2022

For the Administrative Committee

The Chairman