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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).

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

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The Unified Patent Court has exclusive jurisdiction over Unitary Patents.

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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.

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