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Represents clients before national and international patent offices, mainly in patent, trademark and design law. Practises before the opposition and appeal boards of the European Patent Office and advises before the Federal Patent Court. Special expertise in patent prosecution, patent infringement/nullity proceedings and opposition/appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office and the Swiss Patent Office, with a focus on (i) electrical engineering and telecommunications, (ii) power engineering, drive and output side, electrical machines, thermal machines, power distribution, railway drives, (iii) mechanical engineering equipment, (iv) metrology, control engineering, (v) medical technology, (vi) software protection, business models and business services.

#### **Education**

Studies of electrical engineering at the RWTH & FH Aachen, studies of European Patent Law (CEIPI – Centre d'Études Internationales de la Propriété Intellectuelle) at the University of Strasbourg.

#### **Previous activity**

Senior Patent Attorney; many years' experience in industrial patent departments in Baden and Zug and in patent law firms in Zurich and Bern with specialization in electrical engineering, mechanical engineering, physics, IT, business process patenting and software patenting. Implementation and management of international and national infringement and nullity proceedings. IP Due Diligence in M&A proceedings. Lecturer for postgraduate studies in intellectual property law at ZHAW (patent opposition proceedings, trademark searches, 2012–2014). Previously several years of international experience as commissioning engineer for large-scale power plants.

#### **Memberships**

Institute of Professional Representatives before the European Patent Office (epi), Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI), Association des conseils en brevets suisses et européens de profession libérale (VESPA), Association of Swiss Patent and Trademark Attorneys (VSP), Institute for the Protection of Intellectual Property (INGRES), Licensing Executives Society (LES), Efficiency Club Zurich

## Location



## Directions

**If you are travelling via the motorway from Zurich**  
 Leave the motorway at the Basel Süd / City exit.

Go into the centre lane at the first set of traffic lights and follow the signs for Bahnhof SBB (Nauenstrasse). The Central Post building and the Centralbahnplatz (Station Square) will be on your left-hand side. After the Station Square turn right into Elisabethenstrasse.

**If you are travelling via the motorway from France or Germany** – Leave the motorway at the Basel Ost / Wettstein exit and turn right at the first set of traffic lights. Follow the signs for Wettsteinplatz (Wettsteinallee). Drive across the Wettsteinbrücke (Wettstein Bridge). The Kunstmuseum (Art Museum) and the UBS bank will be on your left-hand side.

**If you are coming by train to Basel SBB (Swiss Rail Station)** – Leave the station by the main exit and go to the tram stops just immediately outside

the station. Take Tram No. 2, direction “Riehen” or “Mustermesse” and leave the tram at Kirschgarten (one stop only). If you prefer, you could also go on foot (a 5-minute walk).

**If you are coming by train to Basel Badischer Bahnhof (German Rail Station)** – Take tram No. 2, direction Binningen, right in front of the station and leave the tram at Kirschgarten (5 stops).

**If arriving at Basel-Mulhouse Euro Airport**  
 Take the green bus (ticket machine at the bus stop) which leaves from outside the arrivals terminal and goes to Swiss Rail Station. You’ll also find a taxi stand outside the arrivals terminal.

At Swiss Rail Station take Tram No. 2, direction “Riehen” or “Mustermesse”, and leave the tram at Kirschgarten (one stop only). If you prefer, you could also go on foot (a 5-minute walk).