

**Decision 2020-5 of the Presidium of the Boards of Appeal
of 1 July 2020 on Experts and Facilitators**

(“Decision on Experts and Facilitators”)

THE PRESIDIUM OF THE BOARDS OF APPEAL

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the European Union trade mark¹, and in particular Articles 47(4) and 64(4) thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 of 12 December 2001 on Community Designs² and Commission Regulation (EC) No 2245/02 of 21 October 2002 implementing the Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002³, and in particular Article 31(5) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2018/625 of 5 March 2018 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the European Union trade mark, and repealing Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1430⁴, and in particular Article 46(1) thereof,

Having regard to the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)⁵,

Having regard to the European Code of Conduct for Mediators,

Whereas:

- (1) The Presidium of the Boards adopted Decision 2020-3 of 9 June 2020 on Expert Determination.
- (2) The Presidium of the Boards adopted Decision 2020-4 of 17 June 2020 on Assisted Negotiation.

¹OJ L 154, 16.6.2017, p.1.

²OJ L 3, 5.1.2002, p. 1 as last amended by Council Regulation (EC) No 1891/2006, OJ L 386, 29.12.2006. p.14.

³OJ L 341, 17.12.2002, p. 28, as last amended by Commission Regulation (EC) No 876/2007, OJ L 193, 25.7.2007, p. 13.

⁴OJ L 104, 24.4.2018, p. 1-36.

⁵OJ L 119 4.5.2016, p. 1

- (3) Following the COVID-19 crisis, the European Union Intellectual Property Office (hereinafter ‘the Office’) has decided to offer a special Effective Dispute Resolution service to Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (SMEs) in opposition, cancellation, invalidity and appeal proceedings,

HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING DECISION:

Article 1

Legal basis

1. In accordance with the Article 8(2) of the Decision 2020-3 of the Presidium of the Boards of Appeal of 9 June on Expert Determination the list of experts shall be established by the Presidium.
2. In accordance with the Article 5(2) of the Decision 2020-4 of the Presidium of the Boards of Appeal of 17 June 2020 on Assisted Negotiation the list of facilitators shall be established by the Presidium.

Article 2

Appointment

The Presidium appoints the following qualified staff members of the Office to act as Experts and Facilitators:

1. Nunzio BAMBARA
2. Christoph BARTOS
3. Sophia BONNE
4. Marita BRA
5. Alexandra CRAWCOUR
6. Stefano DI NATALE
7. Julia GARCIA MURILLO
8. Plamena GEORGIEVA
9. Stephan HANNE
10. Gordon HUMPHREYS
11. Philipp von KAPFF
12. Arkadiusz MAKAR
13. Théophile M. MARGELLOS
14. Virginia MELGAR

15. Klaudia MISZTAL
16. Cinzia NEGRO
17. Sophie PÉTREQUIN
18. André POHLMANN
19. Susy SCARDOCCHIA
20. Kamar SIDAT HUMPFHREYS
21. Antje SÖDER
22. Sven STÜRMAN
23. Katarzyna ZAJFERT

Article 3
Entry into force

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its publication in the Official Journal of the Office.

Done at Alicante, 1 July 2020

For the Presidium
Théophilos M. MARGELLOS
President of the Boards of Appeal