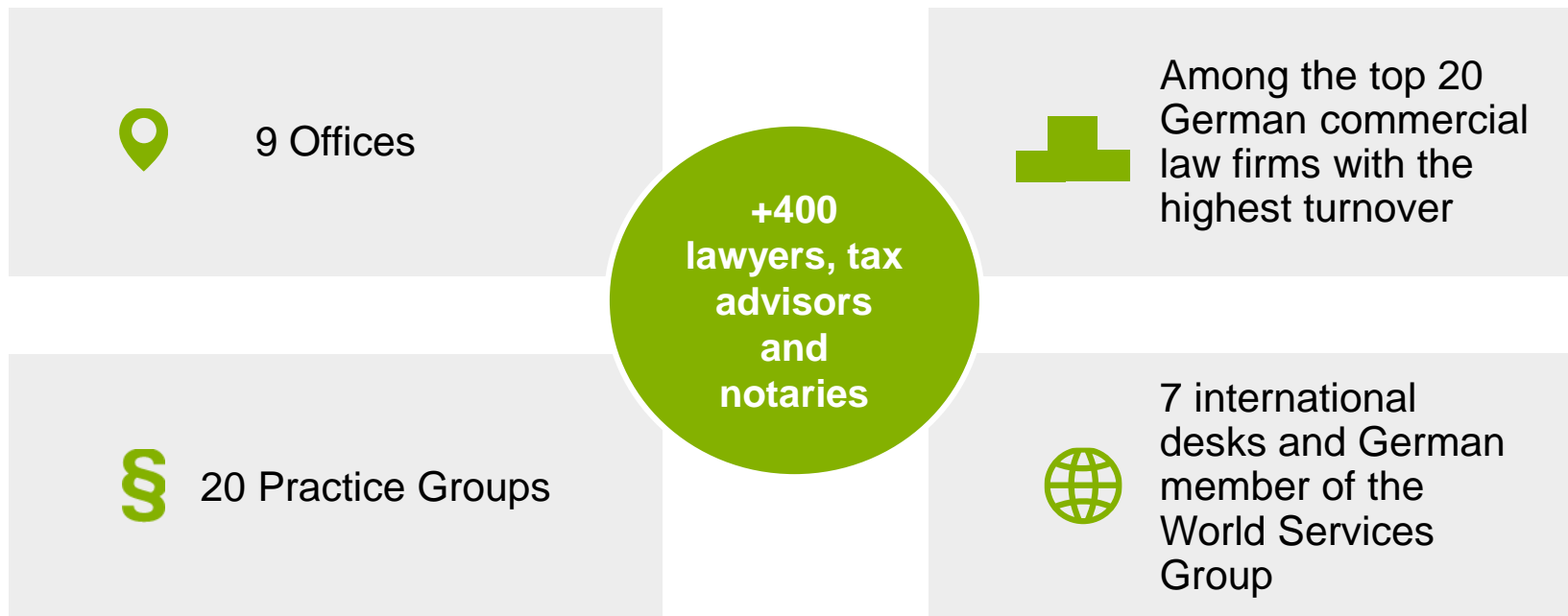


Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek
Patent Law Team

About us



International matters

One of the
major
commercial law
firms in
Germany

More than 400
lawyers speak
over
22 different
languages

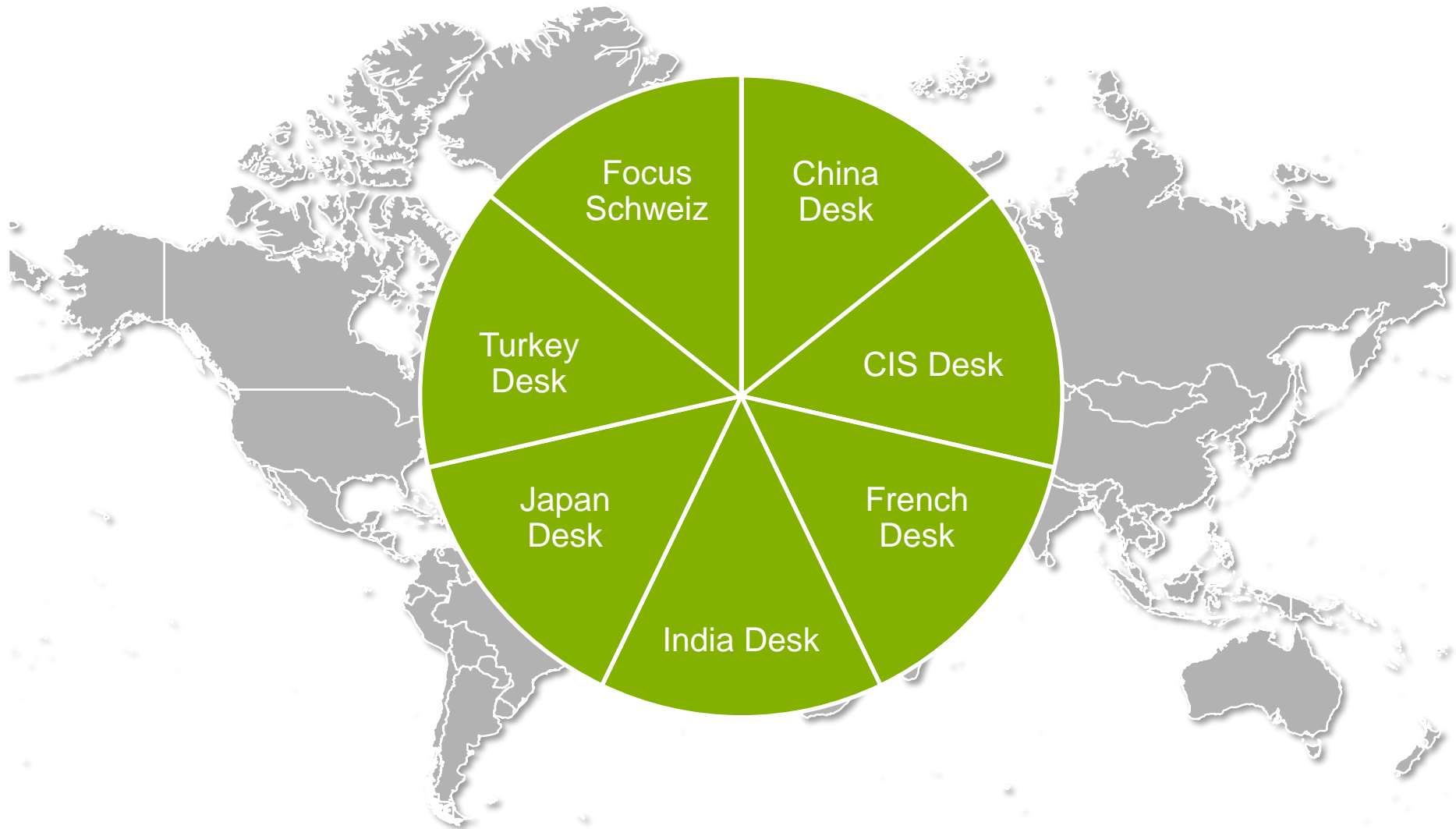
International
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with leading
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International
desks with
focus on major
foreign markets

Our locations



Foreign Market Desks



The Members of the Patent Litigation Team



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What Others Say About Us



“The mixed team at this German full-service firm is well set to litigate for its core SME clientele. The firm represents companies from a broad technical spectrum, including CeramOptec, EnerDry and Egger, before the German courts, and is occasionally involved in their pan-European litigation as well. Within the firm, the patent litigation team around Anton Horn frequently adds clients from other practices, such as tax, to its client list.

This year, the practice strategically opened up to providing mixed technical and legal litigation support by bringing in a patent attorney experienced in AI. Other comparable national full-service firms remain closed off to this strategy as they fear too many conflicts of interest with a patent prosecution practice. Heuking has even begun to grow this patent attorney team already with a Chinese electrical engineer.

For Heuking, building technical expertise seems to be a suitable way to better harness the synergies with numerous other practices. This will enable the firm to address its SME clients’ challenges more effectively, especially in patent protection for AI applications. But the patent team will have to bring in additional technical experts.”

Juve Patent 1000, 2022



What Others Say About Us



Clients are attracted to full-service practice Heuking not only because of its stellar patent prosecution group, but also thanks to its capabilities in related areas like trade secrets, antitrust and commercial law. With all bases covered by the multidisciplinary team, patrons feel safe in the knowledge that all their questions will be answered, no matter how niche or complex. Patent nullity cases are a speciality, and the firm is the only one of its kind in Germany to play host to nine certified specialist lawyers in intellectual property law. Heading up the patent team is Anton Horn, whose 16 years' experience includes time spent in Mexico City – both high-technology and life sciences companies seek out his support. “Anton has perfect knowledge of patent law, but more importantly provides great strategic advice and treats his clients perfectly.” Standing shoulder to shoulder with him is Sabine Dethof, an enforcement ace whose 14 years in practice has seen her work on both medical devices and mechanical engineering cases – she and Horn have lately been hard at work defending one of the world’s largest automotive companies. “Sabine has a deep understanding of the technical details of her cases. She is very organised and target focused in her work, and very dedicated to her clients’ aims.”

IAM Patent 1000: The World’s Leading Patent Professionals, 2022



Anton Horn,
among Germany’s Best Lawyers in the area “Intellectual Property Law” and “Technology Law”
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Handelsblatt, Germany’s Best Lawyers, 2023

What Others Say About Us



Anton Horn of Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek acts on patent disputes, including infringement and enforcement and nullity proceedings. Clients regularly praise his good presence at court, with one respondent noting that "he is flexible, cost-sensitive and always open to answer questions." **Chambers Global /Europe, 2022 (Germany / Patent Litigation / Ranked Lawyers Band 5)**



"Heuking Kühn Lüer Wojtek stands out for its particularly in-depth experience in nullity appeal proceedings before the Federal Court of Justice. Practice group head Anton Horn and his team expanded the practice in 2020, on the one hand, by intensifying the international practice, where proceedings involving Italy, Switzerland and the Netherlands were handled, and, on the other hand, by increasing disputes involving LEDs in the automotive sector, which was promoted by the firm's Indian desk. Sabine Dethof, as well as Horn in Düsseldorf, and senior associate Cécile Corbet, who is helping to develop the practice for French clients, are other key figures in the team."

LEGAL 500 / LEGAL 500 EMEA, 2022

Patent litigation - ranked: tier 4



Dr. Anton Horn, Sabine Dethof, Philipp Roman Schröler & Birthe Struck

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Education and previous employment

- Worked at a commercial law firm in Mexico City (1998-1999)
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Lectures (selection)

- „Das neue Recht zum Schutz von Geschäftsgeheimnissen und seine Folgen für öffentliche Aufträge“, 21 September 2018, Düsseldorf
- “Die Durchsetzung von Patenten außerhalb des Mainstream”, 12 June 2013, Düsseldorf
- “The Effects of the European Patent Package on Conventional EP Patents”, 18 April 2013, Düsseldorf
- “Workshop Patent Law in Europe”, PRIP, 18 October 2010 in Tokyo, Japan

Publications and Newsletter Articles (selection)

- „Rechtliche Vorgaben für einen neuen Anlauf zur Ratifizierung des UPC-Übereinkommens – Wie kann es trotz Brexit und Entscheidung des BVerfG noch gerettet werden?“, May 2020, Mitteilungen der deutschen Patentanwälte (Aymaz/Horn/Karaosmanoğlu)
- “The co-owner of a patent as a plaintiff in patent infringement proceedings”, 2016 (Horn/Dethof)
- “Patents and Prison” in Newsletter IP, Media & Technology 1/2011
- “Patent Pending – On advertising with patents”, in Newsletter IP-IT-Media 1/2009
- “Patents open doors – The right to inspection under patent law”, in Newsletter IP-IT-Media 2/2008
- “Patent Law Treaty” in World Intellectual Property Rights and Remedies, loose-leaf collection, New York, December 2008 ff. (Horn/Dethof)

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Languages

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Education

- “Promotion” (Phd) at the University Göttingen (2009)
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Lectures

- “Workshop Patentverletzung: Feindliche Lizenzangebote – Was tun?“, 19 June 2015 in Munich
- “Workshop Patent Infringement“, 25 March 2010 in Düsseldorf

Publications and Newsletter Articles

- “The co-owner of a patent as a plaintiff in patent infringement proceedings”, 2016 (Horn/Dethof)
- “At the Scene Trade Show – effective proceeding against foreign patent infringers”, in Newsletter IP, Media & Technology 2/2011
- “Innovation and harmony – a risky couple“, in Newsletter IP-IT-Media 2/2010
- “Marktabgrenzung in der Telekommunikation” (“Market delimitation in telecommunications“), Göttingen 2009
- “Patent Law Treaty“ in World Intellectual Property Rights and Remedies, loose-leaf collection, New York, December 2008 ff. (Horn/Dethof)
- “The London Protocol takes effect – easier access to the European patent“, in Newsletter IP-IT-Media 1/2008

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- Research Assistant at COHAUSZ & FLORACK (2012-2013)
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- Legal Trainee at the Regional Court of Essen (2009-2011)
- Universities of Gießen and Münster (2003-2008)

Publication

- "Geheimnisschutz: Neues Gesetz birgt Herausforderungen", IT-Director, 2019
- "Prüfen, schützen, überwachen", Interview Handelsblatt, 2018
- "Patent Litigation – Quick Guide to Proceedings in Germany"

Lecture

- "Das neue Recht zum Schutz von Geschäftsgeheimnissen und seine Folgen für öffentliche Aufträge", 16 November 2018, Düsseldorf

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Education

- Lawyer in two corporate law firms in Düsseldorf, focus in IP-law (2011-2018)
- Legal Trainee (Referendar) at the Regional Court of Münster (2008-2010)
- University of Münster (2002-2007)

Publications (selection)

- "Is there a future for medical device SPCs?" in Bio-Science Law Review, Volume 16, Issue 3, November 2017 (together with Andrew Hutchinson and Nicholas Fischer)
- Comment on Higher Regional Court of Cologne 6 U 121/15 - Privacy policy in contact forms in WRP 2016, 890 (together with Sascha Kuhn)
- "Plagiarism - how to protect yourself" in Playground@Landscape, 06/2014 (together with Dr. Fabian Ziegenaus)
- "The development of keyword advertising", WRP 2014, 800 (together with Marc Dümenil)
- Comment on BGH I ZR 53/12 - FLEUROP in MMR 2014, 126ss.
- Comment on BGH I ZR 175/12 - Loyalty Points Action in WRP 2014, 64ss.
- "Issues re extension and termination of temporary discount offers under unfair competition law" in GRUR 2013, 564ss.
- "Enforcement and assertion of injunctive relief in foreign EU countries" in WRP 2012, 185ss.
- "Protection of Applied Arts" in: Handbook of Art and Law, edited by Hoeren/Holznagel/Ernstschneider, Frankfurt a.M. 2008, Peter Lang Verlag

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- University of California Davis (2015)

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- Electrical Engineering
- Information and Communication Technology / Mobile Communications
- Computer Engineering
- Micro/Nanotechnology
- Computer implemented Inventions
- AI
- Blockchain technology
- Power Electronics
- Semiconductor Technology

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Education and former activities:

- German Patent Attorney (2009-2013)
- European Trademark and Design Attorney (2013)
- European Patent Attorney (2008)
- Farago Patentanwaltsgesellschaft mbH (2019 – 2022)
- Jones Day (2018)
- Jostarndt Patentanwalts AG (2010 – 2018)
- Philips IP&S GmbH (2004 – 2010)
- Development Engineer and Project Leader - LG.Philips-Displays GmbH (2001 – 2004)
- Scientific Engineer - Philips Forschungslaboratorien Hamburg & Aachen (1989 – 2001)
- Thesis at the RWTH Aachen University in parallel to my Philips-job (1989 – 1995)
- Physics study in Hamburg (1993 - 1983)

Technical Areas of Expertise

- Electrical engineering
- Communications technology
- Navigation technology

Publications (selection)

- „Heuking grows patent attorney practice with Farago hire”, JUVE Patent, November 2022

Vorträge (Auswahl)

- IP-Law at FhG-ILT, 2017, Aachen
- AC2-Innovation Day of AGIT, 2016, Aachen
- International Krutyn Summer School on OLED & OPV, 2010, Polen

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