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Introduction new CMS Unified Patent Court delayed

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The Unified Patent Court has postponed the introduction of a new login process for its content management system, based on a strong authentication schema, to the end of October.



Late August, the UPC [announced](#) the implementation would take place ‘in the next release of the UPC CMS v0.65’ and would be activated mid or end of September 2022, but apparently this deadline turned out not to be feasible. [According to the UPC IT team](#), this is ‘due to the time required to acquire electronic IDentification certificates and physical secure devices (smart Card or token)’.

The delay has seemingly no influence on the start date of the UPC. As [JUVE Patent](#) reported, ‘during this year’s AIPPI World Congress in San Francisco, it was speculated that the UPC launch has been postponed to the second quarter of 2023. However, (...) UPC Administrative Committee chair Alexander Ramsay (...) denied any further delay to the court’s start.’

Last July, the UPC [announced](#) ‘the timing of the start of operations of the Court can reasonably be expected to occur in early 2023’. The first of March 2023 has regularly been mentioned.

According to [Article 89](#), the UPC Agreement will enter into force and the UPC will open its doors on the first day of the fourth month after Germany deposits its instrument of ratification with the secretariat of the European Council. If this blogger interprets this clause correctly, it means Germany would have to complete the ratification formalities in November, in order for the court to start functioning in March.

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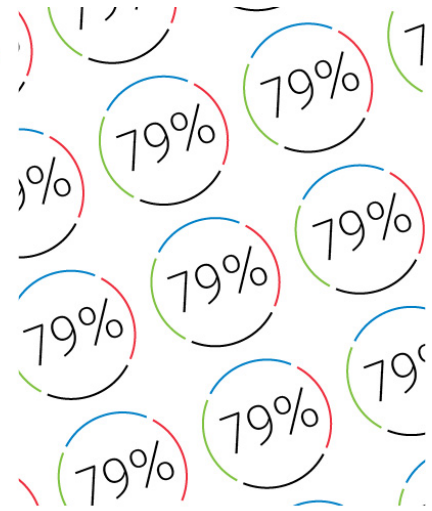
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