

# Da Vinci Partners<sup>LLC</sup>

## Intellectual Property is our middle name

Offering DA VINCI™ services, for global leaders in innovation



Da Vinci Partners LLC is a Swiss-based intellectual property firm specializing in US, International, European, Swiss patent, design and trademark law. We are among the first IP firms established in Europe with a specialty in US law and on providing global IP advice.

Da Vinci Partners LLC is based in Arbon, Switzerland, just two hours' drive from the European Patent office and 15 minutes from the Swiss patent court. Our headquarters occupies the 800-year-old former "Rathaus" (City Hall) and former civil court of this historic town. We apply our global expertise to help the Da Vincis of the World (the individual inventors, startups, and tech companies of all sizes) succeed in the often complex process of developing and launching ingenious solutions to their customers' problems.

Having US, European and Swiss patent and trademark attorneys operating through a Swiss-based firm and having offices in Germany, Liechtenstein, and Australia, we can represent clients from any country before the US Patent & Trademark Office, the European Patent Office, the European Union IP Office, the Swiss Patent & Trademark Office (including Liechtenstein for patents), and the Liechtensteiner Authorities for designs and trademarks. In addition, we can represent US, European and Swiss clients before the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) without limitation.

It's most often the case that the battle for the global market of a product or service is won or lost in the United States. If a company's US intellectual property is lost, the war for the global market is essentially over. Da Vinci Partners LLC is thus uniquely positioned in Europe to provide this US-focused, face-to-face advice to a company's management, at a place and time of their convenience.

Beyond this US focus, the firm is well positioned to provide clients with global strategic counsel regarding Swiss, European, and other international patent, trademark, design and copyright, as well as litigation management in just about any jurisdiction. The firm can manage a client's entire intellectual property portfolio. For our non-Swiss or non-US clients who care to take advantage of tax benefits of a Swiss holding company to hold and license

their intellectual property assets, we can represent such a company before all international patent and trademark authorities.

For those clients with an established relationship with a local patent and trademark agency, Da Vinci Partners LLC can complement the agency's services by working with the local practitioner to manage the client's US intellectual property docket, thus helping ensure that their client's strategically important intellectual property asset, their US patents, trademarks, designs or copyrights, are properly attended to, and that the client's Global IP position is strong.

If you've received a warning letter from a competitor, alleging that you infringed a US, European or Swiss patent, we can intervene to help you assess the risk. We can study the facts and the law and render an opinion that helps you show that you've made a good-faith effort to avoid infringement or to determine that the patent asserted against you is invalid. For US patents, the formal, written opinion of a US patent attorney-at-law is advisable to help you avoid triple damages and having to pay the legal fees of the opposing party in the event you're found liable for patent infringement in the US.



### Areas of Practice<sup>1</sup>

**Patents:** US | European | Swiss/Liechtenstein | Australian | International (WIPO)

**Trademarks:** US | European | Swiss | Australian | Liechtenstein | International (WIPO)

**Designs:** US | European | Swiss | Australian | Liechtenstein | International (WIPO)

**Copyrights**

<sup>1</sup> The above indicates our areas of direct practice. For all other countries, we engage our experienced network of local agents

### Fields of practice

Computer software, medical devices, manufacturing processes, watches, semi-conductor technology, among others

### Working Languages

English | German | French | Spanish

### Our People

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### Our offices

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We're proud to be associated with David Koris, former Chair of the International Chamber of Commerce's IP Commission. Dr. Koris has over 30 years of experience in IP, including 11 years as executive Vice President, General Counsel for IP for Shell International B.V.'s global IP function, and several years in senior IP roles with General Electric and Tyco International Ltd. His extensive experience with all phases of corporate IP practice (e.g., budget management, patent quality assurance, IP risk management, global patent litigation, licensing, mergers, acquisitions, and divestitures, IP valuation and brand development) adds depth to our firm that, together with our other seasoned counsel, create a core team with extraordinary skills.

Offering **GREAT WALL**® and **达芬奇**™ legal, as well as **GREAT WALL IP**® and **万里长城知识产权**® services, for our clients active in China.

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