

## Sandris Laganovskis has been appointed as a responsible for International Cooperation of the European Union Intellectual Property Office

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Sandris Laganovskis, the former Director of the Latvian Patent Office, took up the position of Deputy Director for International Cooperation of the Department of International Cooperation and Legal Affairs of the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) on 16 January 2021.

In his letter to the EU national Intellectual property offices, the Executive Director of EUIPO, Christian Archambeau notes that 'Mr. Laganovskis has vast experience and an extensive background in the field of Intellectual Property and possesses a profound knowledge of the functioning of both the National and European public administrations.' The staff of the Latvian Patent Office entirely agree with the words of the Executive Director of EUIPO and are fully convinced that the contribution of the long-term Director and colleague to the EUIPO Cooperation team will be convincing and invaluable.

From 2013 to 2020, Sandris Laganovskis worked as the Director of the Patent Office, while holding various important positions in the EUIPO, the World Intellectual Property Organization, and the European Patent Office. Within the framework of the Latvian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, an agreement on the new European Union Trademark Regulation was reached under the leadership of Sandris Laganovskis. Sandris Laganovskis has more than 20 years of experience in the field of justice, which he has accumulated while holding various positions in the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Latvia and at the diplomatic service.

The objective of the EUIPO International Cooperation is to support the intellectual property (IP) system of the European Union (EU) by promoting and supporting cooperation with EU Member States, raising awareness of third countries and moving their IP systems toward harmonization for the benefit of EU business by managing cooperation events and relations with third countries, in particular candidate countries, potential candidates and neighbouring countries, TM5 and ID5 countries; by managing EU-funded programs, as well as relations with the World Intellectual Property Organization and the European Patent Office, and ensuring the work of the EUIPO Management Board and Budget Committee.

About the EUIPO:

The EUIPO is the European Union Intellectual Property Office responsible for managing the EU trademark and the registered Community design. The EUIPO also works with the IP offices of the EU Member States and international partners to offer a similar registration experience for trade marks and designs across Europe and the world.

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