

## Decision of the Supervisory Board

The Supervisory Board,

having regard to the Regulation on the European qualifying examination for professional representatives (REE) which entered into force on 1 January 2009 (Supplementary publication 2, OJ EPO 2019), and in particular to Article 3(1) and (2) thereof,

has decided as follows:

### **Article 1**

No European qualifying examination (pre-examination or main examination consisting of papers A, B, C and D) will be held in 2020.

### **Article 2**

Given the prevailing, exceptional circumstances, and pursuant to Article 3(1) REE, anyone who so wishes will be allowed to enrol for the 2021 main examination, provided that the conditions laid down in Article 11 REE are fulfilled.

### **Article 3**

Candidates who had enrolled for 2020 main examination papers will be considered to be enrolled for those papers in 2021. The respective fees will be carried over to 2021. Candidates will be able to enrol for additional examination papers subject to the payment of the respective fees. Candidates will be given a deadline by which they can withdraw from the examination or particular papers; if they do so, the respective fees will be reimbursed.

### **Article 4**

For the 2021 main examination only, candidates' answers will be marked either on the basis of the legal texts and document versions in force on 31 October 2019, or on the basis of those in force on 31 October 2020, depending on which of the two dates would give the candidate the higher mark.

### **Article 5**

This decision enters into force immediately.

Done at Munich, 20 April 2020

For the Supervisory Board

The Chairman

*Fritz Schweinzer*