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President/ Rector  
University

By email

**Subject: Invitation to the 4th IP Mediation Conference 2023, Alicante, 19 – 20 October 2023**

Dear Sir/ Madam,

On behalf of the EUIPO Boards of Appeal, I am pleased to invite students from your University to attend the upcoming [IP Mediation Conference](#) that will be held on 19 and 20 October 2023 at the EUIPO headquarters in Alicante, Spain, and online.

In its fourth edition, the Conference will bring together leading international experts and stakeholders to discuss the latest developments and key issues in mediation and alternative dispute resolution (ADR) in the field of intellectual property. We will be welcoming numerous delegates from IP Offices, EU institutions, policy makers, judges, users of the international IP systems, ADR centres, practitioners, industry as well as academia.

The central theme of the conference is "A business case for business" and focuses on the role that mediation and ADR play in supporting the competitiveness of EU businesses, especially those in the IP-intensive economy, by resolving their IP disputes efficiently and avoiding costly litigation.

The IP Mediation Conference will be held at a particularly relevant time for the EU IP ecosystem, including the EU IP Offices and the EUIPO itself, with many opportunities for us to continue consolidating our cooperation for instance through the establishment of the new EUIPO Mediation Centre, the recently proposed Regulation on Standard Essential Patents (SEPs) and the Supplementary Patent Certificate (SPC).

In this context, we would like to invite three (3) participants from your University to attend the Conference online by registering via [this link](#) until 10 September.

Should you have any comments or questions, the conference team is at your disposal at [ipmediationconference@euipo.europa.eu](mailto:ipmediationconference@euipo.europa.eu).

We hope that you will be able to accept this invitation and look forward to welcoming you at the IP Mediation Conference 2023.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'João Negrão', written in a cursive style.

João Negrão