



# ORGANIZATIONAL RULES FOR THE ORAL HEARINGS

## Lisbon Local Division

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This document outlines the general rules for hearings held in the Lisbon Local Division of the Unified Patent Court (R. 111 RoP UPC).

- 1** Oral Hearings of the Unified Patent Court are open to the public, except if the Court decides, and only to the extent where it is necessary, in cases of confidentiality, public order, or other justified reason, that they should be held without the public being present.
- 2** Unless otherwise indicated, Oral Hearings shall be held at the seat of the Court of First Instance of the Unified Patent Court:

**Court of First Instance - Lisbon Local Division**  
**Rua Marquês de Fronteira, Lisbon Palace of Justice,**  
**1098-001 Lisbon, Portugal**

**Floor 7 North wing (opposite the lift)  
Courtroom 7.04**

- 3** Changes to the location or conditions of the Oral Hearing will be communicated accordingly.
- 4** There are seats in the courtroom reserved for the parties and their representatives.
- 5** Members of the public and Press will be admitted to the extent of the available seats in the room.
- 6** Parties are requested to inform the Lisbon Sub-Registry of the number, names, and roles of the participants who wish to attend no later than 5 days before the hearing date.
- 7** The Court may allow a party or representatives to participate by videoconference. For this purpose, the Lisbon Sub-registry must be contacted at least 5 days before the date of the Oral Hearing.
- 8** Contacts to the Lisbon Sub-registry regarding the Oral Hearing should be addressed to [contact\\_lisbon.loc@unifiedpatentcourt.org](mailto:contact_lisbon.loc@unifiedpatentcourt.org).
- 9** The courtroom will be open to the public 20 minutes before the time announced for the Oral Hearing.
- 10** Parties, representatives, and members of the public or Press are invited to the room in advance to ensure that the Oral Hearing starts at the scheduled time.
- 11** Members of the Press must identify themselves at the Sub-registry upon arrival.
- 12** Please note that there may be identification and security checks at the Court's

main entrance, which could delay access.

**13** Please note that the public seats are not equipped with power sockets.

**14** Mobile phones must be in silent mode.

**15** The Court will record the Oral Hearing (R. 115 RoP UPC).

**16** Under no circumstances are participants allowed to make audio or video recordings of the Oral Hearing. Photographs will only be allowed with prior agreement of the Presiding judge.

**Rute Lopes**

**PRESIDING JUDGE OF THE LISBON LOCAL DIVISION**

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