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## Thomas Ederer

**Senior Associate**  
**German Patent Attorney**  
**European Patent Attorney**  
**Electrical Engineer and IT Specialist**  
**Automotive Engineer**

Thomas' professional experience as an IP specialist and his background as development engineer in the field of automotive electronics and electronic control units for vehicles render him ideally suited to provide competent and practical advice to clients across the broad spectrum of intellectual property protection. He has particular technical expertise in mechanical and electrical engineering as well as information and medical technology. After several years as a patent attorney in the industrial patent department of a manufacturing company in the field of electrical systems and electronics, Thomas has first-hand knowledge of the needs of clients, who he advises on questions relating to German, European and international intellectual property protection.

## CAREER

since 2018	Patent attorney at Maiwald
2015 - 2018	Patent attorney in his own law firm and in-house patent attorney/patent counsel with an international automotive supplier
2012 - 2015	Patent attorney trainee at an IP law firm
2011 - 2012	Patent engineer at an IP law firm
2008 - 2011	Development engineer for an engineering service provider in the automotive industry

## EDUCATION

2016	Admitted to practice as European patent attorney
2015	Admitted to practice as German patent attorney
2012 - 2014	Studied law for patent attorneys at the University of Hagen
2009 - 2011	Master's degree in electrical engineering and information technology, embedded systems from the University of Hagen
2005 - 2008	Studied automotive and aerospace engineering at Munich University of Applied Sciences

## PRACTICE AREAS

- Electrical & Mechanical Engineering
- Communication & Information Technology
- Mobility & Energy
- Medical Technology & Imaging

- Patents & Utility Models
- Artificial Intelligence & Digitalization

## **SERVICES**

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- Patent prosecution and portfolio management
- Filing strategies and drafting patent applications
- Freedom-to-operate and validity analysis
- Opposition and nullity proceedings
- Patent litigation

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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- How are patents interpreted after nullity proceedings? (2020)

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

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- German Patent Attorney Association
- epi
- FICPI
- VPP

## **LANGUAGES**

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- German
- English