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- Korean patent attorneys participating in the seminar can receive 2 hours of educational credit from the Korean Patent Attorneys Association (KPAA).
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Unitary Patent benefits in a nutshell

• One-stop-shop at the EPO: great reduction of complexity and associated costs

• Simple, straight forward and free of charge procedure: registering a Unitary Patent at the EPO will be simple, and the procedure will be straightforward and free of charge

• **Broader and uniform territorial protection:** broad and uniform protection for up to 26 participating Member States

• Business-friendly renewal fee pattern: a Unitary Patent will on average be significantly less expensive than a classical European patent validated and maintained in four countries when comparing fees and all associated costs

• No post-grant translations are required for the purpose of obtaining a Unitary Patent

• Centralised enforcement through the new Unified Patent Court (UPC) thereby reducing costs and complexity resulting from (the risk of) multiple litigation in different jurisdictions