

Prolight + Sound 2023 · “Enabled Licenses” regarding patents for LED technologies

Why are we inviting you to a meeting in Frankfurt in connection with the Prolight + Sound Show?

1. There is a sizable number of “Enabled Licenses” regarding patents for LED technologies. Patent license agreements are currently being renegotiated because:

- Many of the licensed patents have expired or will expire.
- Some of the technologies covered by licensed patents are no longer used in the industry.
- In the US and at the European Patent Organization (EPO), some licensed patents are currently being challenged in the courts.
- patents are being added <https://www.signify.com/global/our-company/intellectual-property/news/blogs/new-patent-families>
- changes may otherwise be made to the programme, such as “Qualified Supplier”.

2. Unified Patent Court

The Unified Patent Court (UPC) is a Court comprising judges from all participating Member States of the European Union. It will be set up to decide on the infringement and validity of both Unitary Patents and classic European Patents. The UPC is a Court common to currently seventeen EU Member States for which the Agreement on a Unified Patent Court (UPCA) will enter into force on 1 June 2023.

As an industry association we support and inform everyone in the industry about important current affairs.

In co-operation with VPLT – The German Entertainment Technology Association – the attorney Henrik Villumsen will host a free event for VPLT-members and all other manufacturers in the entertainment lighting industry on **MONDAY APRIL 24 from 6 PM (18.00)** at the Prolight & Sound Show – **Torhaus Mitte, Level 26, Room "Summit"** – on these subjects: “what to do if Signify claims you need to take a patent license for your products?” and the new “EU Unified Patent Court”.

You must register to attend this meeting! To register: please contact randell.greenlee@vplt.org.

Any questions or comments: feel free to contact Mr. Villumsen at mail@henrik-villumsen-lawfirm.com and connect with him through LinkedIn:

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Mr. Villumsen will also be available for questions and discussion at the VPLT-stand on Tuesday, the 25th of April in Hall 11 – E50.

Thank you for your time and consideration

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The following is a list of attorneys that may provide further information. **It is not an exclusive listing.** The VPLT assumes no liability for referral.

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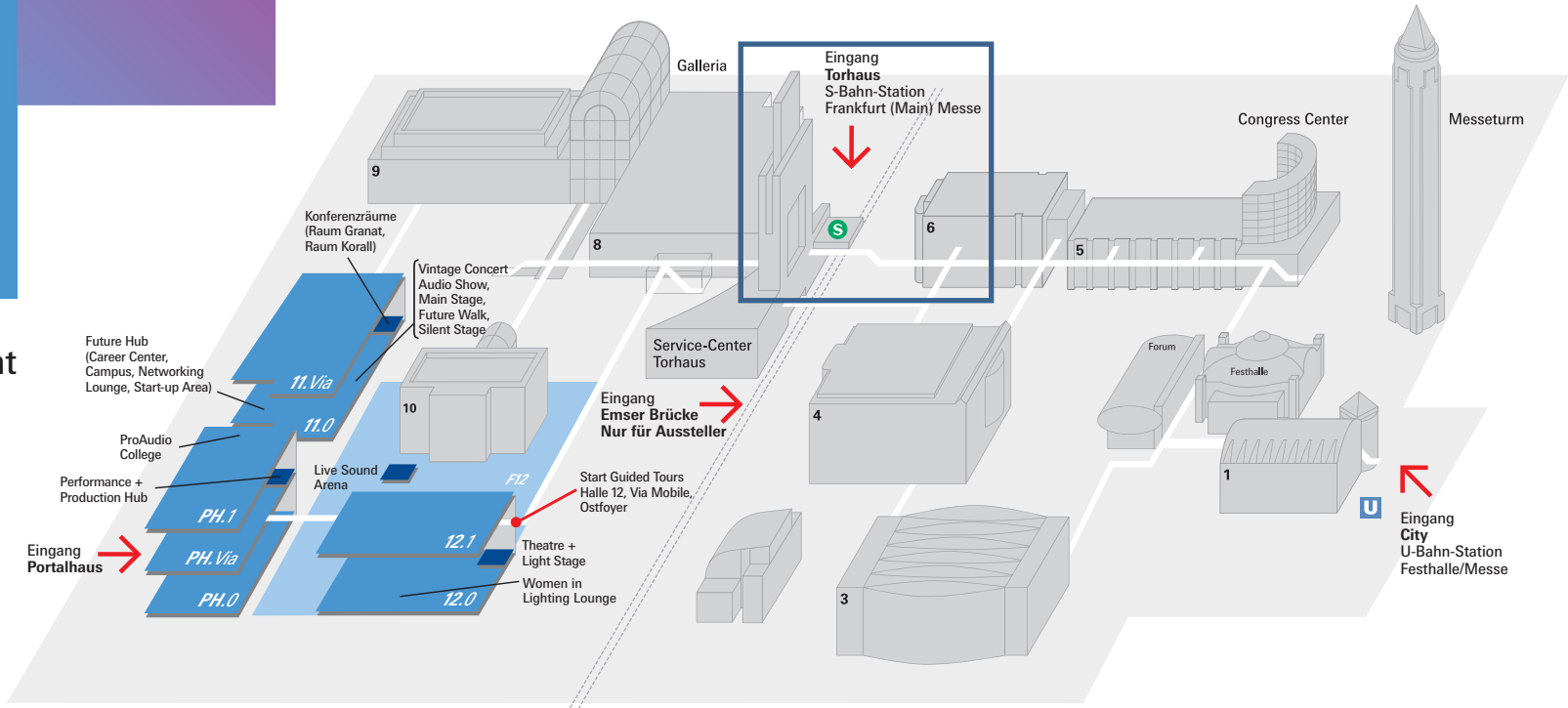
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Frankfurt am Main

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The German Entertainment Technology Association

Patent Licenses Lighting Technology
Monday, April 24th - 18:00
Torhaus Mitte, Level 26, Room "Summit"



Halle 11

ProAudio: Beschallungstechnik, Kopfhörer, Raumakustik, Studio-, Recording- und Produktionstechnik, Monitoring
ProMedia: Mediensteuerungen, Kamera-technik
Special Areas: Main Stage, Silent Stage, Future Walk, VPLT Experience Zone, Vintage Concert Audio Show, Verbände
Future Hub: Start-up Area, Networking Lounge, Campus powered by VPLT, Career Center
Konferenzräume: PLS Conference, Manufacturers' Forum, I-ESC

Halle 12

ProMedia: Projektion und Displays, Netzwerktechnik
ProLight: Licht- und Lasertechnik, Effekte, Virtual Reality
ProStage: Theater- und Bühnentechnik, Bühnenausstattung, Traversensysteme und Böden
ProEvent: Event-Dienstleistung, -Ausstattung und -Planung
Special Area: Theatre + Light Stage, Women in Lighting Lounge

Portalhaus

Audio Demo Rooms
Special Area: Performance + Production Hub, ProAudio College

Freigelände F12

ProAudio: Live Sound Arena, Communication Technology
ProEvent: LED-Displays, Inflatables, Mobile Stages

Stand März 2023
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