

50 years EPC celebrations!

Today, a once in a lifetime event and free catering to enjoy this moment

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Today, we will celebrate together, as one Office, the 50th anniversary of the European Patent Convention. Public viewing areas have been arranged on the occasion of this landmark event so that we may all come together to commemorate the successes of the past 50 years as we look towards the future.

Public viewings with free catering – check the locations and join as of 9.15 hrs!

The canteens and rooms listed below will be open on the big day for public viewings so that staff can enjoy this unique moment together. Free catering has been planned based on the attendance figures for Campus Days so that you can celebrate this landmark occasion together, including during breakfast and lunch.

Locations for public viewings:

- Pschorrhöfe 1-4 canteens in Munich
- Hinge canteen in The Hague
- Rooms 21 and 24 in Vienna
- Rooms 1113 and 1114 in Berlin

A glimpse of the programme!

There's a lot to look forward to. As of 9.15 hrs the arrival of our VIP guests in Munich and The Hague will be streamed live. **The event will then officially begin at 9.30 hrs.**

You will hear inspiring speeches from several distinguished guests before the children who won the Collaborative kids' art competition earlier this year come on stage and connect virtually to receive their awards. After the coffee break, inventors and staff will join forces to participate in the innovation game – which will be moderated by a unique host – and finally the afternoon programme will provide a glimpse into the future of innovation with a series of expert panels moderated by our examiners!

For further details, please see the [full 5 October programme](#).

Take a small memory home!

Colleagues attending the live event or a public viewing will receive a 50 years' EPC pin as a keepsake. And from 5 October onwards, all staff will begin to receive 50 years' EPC mugs. If you have a designated workplace, you will find the mug on your desk. If you do not have an office, you should pick up your mug from the room where your post is located.



Important information:

Please note that the unique scope of the event will have some impact on logistics at certain buildings on the day of the event:

The Hague – No access to Shell building on 5 October

Access to the Shell building must be restricted to staff who have registered to attend or who are supporting the event on 5 October. Colleagues with an office in the Shell building will therefore need to consider booking a workplace for the day in New Main. Please see this [news item](#) for further details.

On the morning of 5 October, please use the Erhardtstrasse entrance of the Isar building

To ensure the smooth arrival and reception of external guests, EPO staff must use the Erhardtstrasse entrance on the morning of the event.

Munich Isar canteen and bistro will be closed – join the lunch and breakfast in PschorrHöfe canteen 1-4

The Isar canteen will need to be used to cater for participants at the live event in Room 102. Colleagues are warmly invited to join the public viewings at PschorrHöfe 1-4.

Adjusted opening hours for the bistro in PschorrHöfe 8

350 guests will be seated in the atrium of PschorrHöfe 8 to experience the live event. In the afternoon, the technology panels will also take place in PschorrHöfe 8. As a result, the bistro will only be open from 7.30 to 8.45 hrs. Don't hesitate to join the public viewings in PschorrHöfe 1-4 for a coffee and breakfast.

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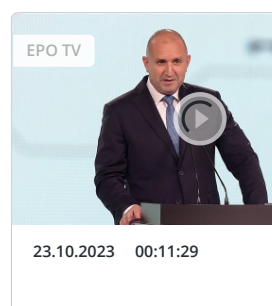
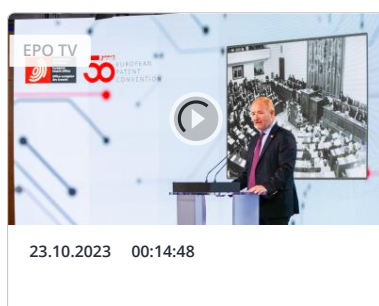
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