



1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE) (1)

**Abschlussprüfung im staatlich anerkannten Ausbildungsberuf
Patentanwaltsfachangestellter und Patentanwaltsfachangestellte**

(1) in original language

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)(1)

Final examination in the state-recognized training occupation Patent assistant

(1) This translation has no legal status.

3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

- Provide service-oriented support to clients, including in English
- Plan, prepare and support conferences and meetings
- Plan, organise, arrange and optimise company and work processes
- Calculate, note and monitor deadlines and dates
- Differentiate between legal systems and apply legal regulations
- Book company business transactions and process payments
- Use electronic information and communications systems and branch-specific software
- Conduct legal communications via electronic means
- Prepare German applications for industrial property rights
- Prepare international and regional applications for industrial property rights and national applications for industrial property rights abroad
- Support the rights issuing and registration procedure, support foreign lawyers and patent lawyers
- Select legal means and legal remedies in German and international applications for industrial property rights
- Maintain commercial property rights
- Support and conduct procedures within the legal process to defend and vitiate national and international industrial property rights
- Conduct correspondence with clients, government authorities and lawyers in Germany and abroad, including in English
- Apply remuneration and cost law and prepare invoices
- Carry out assessment of costs procedures.

4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE (1)

Patent assistants work for patent lawyer practices, in the patent and brand departments of companies and for government authorities and courts involved with the protection of commercial rights.

(1) if applicable

(*) **Explanatory notes**

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications, Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates, and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

More information on transparency is available at: www.europass.cedefop.eu.int/transparency

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

<p>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate</p> <p>competent body for the liberal professions</p>	<p>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate</p> <p>competent body for the liberal professions</p>
<p>Level of the certificate (national or international)</p> <p>ISCED 3B German Qualifications Framework (DQR) level 4 (alignment is preliminary pursuant to "German Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning" - German EQF - Referencing report of 15 November 2012). Published by: Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF), Berlin and Bonn; Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany (Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs - KMK), Berlin)</p>	<p>Grading scale / Pass requirements</p> <p>100-92 points = 1 = excellent 91 - 81 points = 2 = good 80 - 67 points = 3 = average 66 - 50 points = 4 = pass 49 - 30 points = 5 = poor 29 - 0 points = 6 = fail</p> <p>A total of at least 50 grade points are required to pass the examination.</p>
<p>Access to next level of education / training</p> <p>Certified senior legal clerk, state-certified business economist in relevant specialisms</p>	<p>International agreements</p> <p>In the field of vocational training, joint declarations on the comparability of qualifications obtained in the respective vocational training systems have been signed on the basis of bilateral agreements concluded between Germany and France and between Germany and Austria.</p>
<p>Legal basis Ordinance on Initial Vocational Education and Training in the Occupation of Patent assistant of 08/29/2014 (Federal Law Gazette, Part I, p 1490) Resolution of the Standing Conference of the Ministers of Education and Cultural Affairs of the Länder in the Federal Republic of Germany, KMK, of 27.06.2014)</p>	

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

<p>Final examination administered by the competent body:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. after completion of dual training in a company and at part-time vocational school (normal procedure) 2. after retraining in a recognized training occupation 3. as an external examination for working people without formal vocational qualifications or persons who have been trained at full-time vocational schools or other vocational training institutions
<p>Additional information</p> <p>Entry requirements: Entry requirements are not governed by legislation; as a rule, young people are admitted after completing (nine or ten years of) general education.</p> <p>Duration of training: 3 years.</p> <p>Training in the "dual system": Teaching of the knowledge, skills and competences needed for an occupation is based on the typical requirements of work and business processes and prepares the trainees for a specific job. The training is provided in a company and at part-time vocational school: In the company, the trainees acquire practical skills in a real working environment. On one or two days per week, the trainees attend part-time vocational school, where they are taught general and vocational knowledge related to their training occupation.</p> <p>More information is available at: www.berufenet.arbeitsagentur.de</p> <p>National Europass Centre www.europass-info.de</p>