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Luis Hernando de Larramendi earned a Law Degree and was admitted to the Madrid Bar Association in January 1975.

He has been a Chartered Industrial Property Attorney since 1986 and has been registered with the European Patent Office as a European Patent Attorney since that time.

He is likewise a European Trade Mark Attorney (Authorized Representative before the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market - OHIM - Trade Marks & Designs in Alicante) since 1995.

His working languages are English and French, in addition to his native Spanish, and he has been appointed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Spain as an official sworn translator for English and French.

His professional career has concentrated in the areas of trademarks, trade names, domain names, and arbitration, both inside Spain and in the European Union.

He takes an active part in a number of Spanish and international professional associations in the intellectual property field, such as INTA, AIPPI, FICPI, and naturally ECTA.

Specifically, he was a member of the ECTA Council for 12 years and chaired ECTA's Anti-Counterfeiting Committee for six years, besides being a member of other committees. At the present time he is a member of the Professional Affairs Committee and the OHIM Link Committee.

Within the framework of ECTA he has, together with other Spanish members of the Association, been involved in organizing all the meetings ECTA has held in Spain since its inception.

He is a speaker and lecturer on a wide range of subjects relating to industrial property protection at many different forums and is the author of numerous articles on topics in the field published in specialized journals.