



**Francesco Chimini**

Partner, Italian and European Patent Attorney, Professional Representative in Community Design matters before the EUIPO. Francesco graduated in Electronic Engineering at Brescia University.

Languages: native Italian speaker, fluent in English

Areas of competence: Patents

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## **Work experience**

Francesco began his career working in an R&D Department in the field of fluid automation where he gained industry experience in the design of electrovalves, cylinders, fittings, sensors and actuators and field-bus systems. Thereafter, Francesco worked at another large Italian IP firm before joining Jacobacci & Partners in 2003.

## **Professional focus**

Francesco has an extensive practice drafting and prosecuting Italian and European patent applications. He also has experience handling Opposition and Appeal proceedings before the European Patent Office, including multiparty proceedings and hearings. He also has been involved in patent litigation in Italy, Germany, France and The Netherlands.

Francesco handles a broad spectrum of subject-matter, ranging from mechanical engineering to the electrical, electronic and light engineering fields, including optics, software patents and internet-related matters.

Francesco represents and advises clients ranging from universities and highly specialized local companies to multi-national corporations.

## **Areas of expertise**

Francesco handles mainly engineering matters and has particular experience in the fields of fluid automation and dispensing systems, railway equipment, machine tools, printing machines, textile machines, domestic and industrial electrical equipment and lighting devices. Drawing on his background as an electrical engineer, Francesco drafts and prosecutes patent applications in the areas of software and computer-related inventions, electronics, as well as for the lighting field, information technology and telecommunications, digital image and audio processing and audio-video devices.

Since 2008 Francesco has taught intellectual property courses at the post-graduate level at the University of Brescia.

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