

## HOW TO PERFORM PRIOR ART SEARCHES

When charting research and development activities, do you verify if the technology already exists and if it is owned by others? Did you know that you can detect existing similar developments or inventions by simply conducting a prior art search?

Learn to conduct patent searches step-by-step, through our one-day workshop. Discover effective search strategies, apply the use of syntax to increase efficiency, and learn how to identify relevant documents via publicly available databases.

**Course Date to be updated**  
**1 Day Face-to-Face Workshop**  
**9:00am – 5:00pm\***  
*(Registration starts at 8.30am)*

**Course Fees:**  
**SGD \$523.20**  
**(incl. GST)**

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CPD Points



Training Level:  
**ADVANCED**

Practice Area:  
**INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

**IPOS INTERNATIONAL**

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## WHO SHOULD ATTEND

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This course is beneficial for business owners, officers from public agencies, researchers, engineers, lawyers, patent agents, officers from technology transfer offices.



## WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

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You will pick up relevant knowledge and skills in:

- Patentability and prior art
- Patent lifecycle and publication
- Introduction to some major patent systems
- Anatomy of a patent document
- The Art of Searching
- Search methodologies

### Pre-requisites:

You should possess knowledge of patents, components of patent specification, and understand information presented in search reports.



## TUTOR PROFILE

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**Dr. Lu Liru, Alina**  
**Patent Examiner**  
**IPOS International**

Dr. Lu is a seasoned expert in wireless communications industry standardization, with a wealth of experience in conducting patent searches, evaluations, analyses, and legal examinations in the field of info-comm. With a strong technological background and in-depth knowledge of intellectual property, she brings a unique skill set to the table. She also serves as a mentor and trainer in the Patent Search, Examination and Analysis Department in IPOS International.



## SILE ACCREDITATION (*pending*)

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This programme is **pending accreditation** by the Singapore Institute of Legal Education (SILE).

### Attendance Policy

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1. Paid-up NTUC membership before course commenced, throughout whole course duration and at the point of claim
2. Course by training provider must be supported under UTAP, and training must commence within the supported period
3. Course must not be fully funded through company sponsorship or other types of funding
4. You must achieve a minimum of 75% attendance for each application and sat for all prescribed examination(s), if any
5. UTAP application must be submitted within 6 months after course completion

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## COURSE FEES

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**\$523.20 (incl. GST)**



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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