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Agnes Szanyi Felkl – Obtained M.SC. in architecture and building construction at the technical University of Budapest, in 1984.

Started working in the building industry, until 1987, when I joined the Hungarian Patent Office, now Intellectual Property Office of Hungary. I started there in the Department of Patent Information which later has broadened its profile and in the early nineties was renamed as the Industrial Property Information Department.

In 1996 I have moved to the newly formed Trade Marks and Designs Department of the HPO, where I worked with International Trade Mark applications, participated in various working groups of WIPO and became the contact person to EUIPO (then: OHIM).

In 1998 I have also obtained my post graduate degree in intellectual property law, which constitutes the Hungarian legal degree necessary for representation in IP matters before the Hungarian Courts.

When Hungary was about to join the European Union, EUIPO was recruiting staff from the 10 new Member States well in advance, to have them trained and ready to work from the moment of accession. I applied for a job, and started as a trade mark examiner, in the core business, in September 2003. In 2006 I was appointed legal advisor of one of the services of the Trade marks and Cancellation Department. The next year I was already appointed to be a Member of the Boards of Appeal by the Administrative Board. After being re-elected, I'm serving my second term, working in both the Fifth Board (Trade Marks) and the Third Board (Designs).

My main working languages are English, Hungarian (my mother tongue), and German. I also speak Russian and Finnish, and learned Spanish and French to ascertain extent.