



Christina Petersson

Chief Intellectual Property Officer (CIPO)

As recently appointed CIPO and Head of IPR & Licensing at Ericsson, Christina Petersson is responsible for Ericsson's patent development and patent licensing worldwide. Ericsson is one of the leading providers of Information and Communication Technology (ICT) to service providers, investing heavily in R&D as a leading contributor to open standards. With more than 49,000 granted patents, Ericsson has emerged as holding the industry's leading patent portfolio, covering 2G, 3G, 4G and now 5G cellular standards.

Christina Petersson and the IPR & Licensing team at Ericsson is responsible for creating a return on investments in Ericsson technology and for securing continued value growth by patenting the inventions of Ericsson engineers. The team provides access to Ericsson technology through a fair, reasonable and non-discriminatory licensing program while at the same time protecting the intellectual property of Ericsson products.

Petersson's previous role was Vice President and Head of IPR Legal Affairs at Ericsson, reporting to the General Counsel and Senior Vice President at Group Function Legal Affairs & Compliance and part of his leadership team. In this role, which she held since 2011, she was also part of the IPR & Licensing leadership team. Before 2011 she held a role as a Senior Group Legal Counsel, at Ericsson Group Function Legal Affairs & Compliance.

In these capacities, and since 2003, Petersson has had an active role in licensing negotiations and has been responsible for concluding license agreements with the vast majority of Ericsson's currently more than 100 licensees. Additionally, Petersson has been instrumental in patent divestments and acquisitions, including the setting up of patent platforms and pools. She has been a key leader and IPR legal expert in Ericsson in all activities related to IPR strategies, reference pricing, FRAND interpretations, competition law, infringement litigation, M&A as well as in advocacy matters.

Christina Petersson has worked at Ericsson since 1998 when she started her career as a Trademark Attorney. In 2001 she was responsible for setting up the trademark and design function in the Sony Ericsson joint venture. She has a Master of Law, LL.M. from the Uppsala University, Sweden.