

VIEWS ON AN EVOLVING AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY - STANDARDS AND ESSENTIAL PATENTS

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The automotive industry is unquestionably evolving at considerable pace whether through advances in connectivity and autonomy in vehicles, developments in the way that consumers access and use vehicles or changes driven by the 'electric revolution' and the industry disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Through our series of articles, "Views on an evolving automotive industry", we will look at some of the legal, regulatory and compliance issues that arise from or have been magnified by these unprecedented changes.

In this fourth article of the series, [Andrew Moir](#), [Ina vom Feld](#), [Frédéric Chevallier](#), [David Webb](#) and [Laura Adde](#) of our London, Düsseldorf and Paris IP teams consider some of the key issues surrounding standard essential patents or SEPs for those in the automotive sector. These include, in particular, how standards work, their role in the automotive sector, how fair, reasonable and non-discriminatory (FRAND) licensing operates and the varying approaches across Europe.

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