

# The role of patents –

## Good or bad for the European Single Digital Market ?

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# Patent Wars



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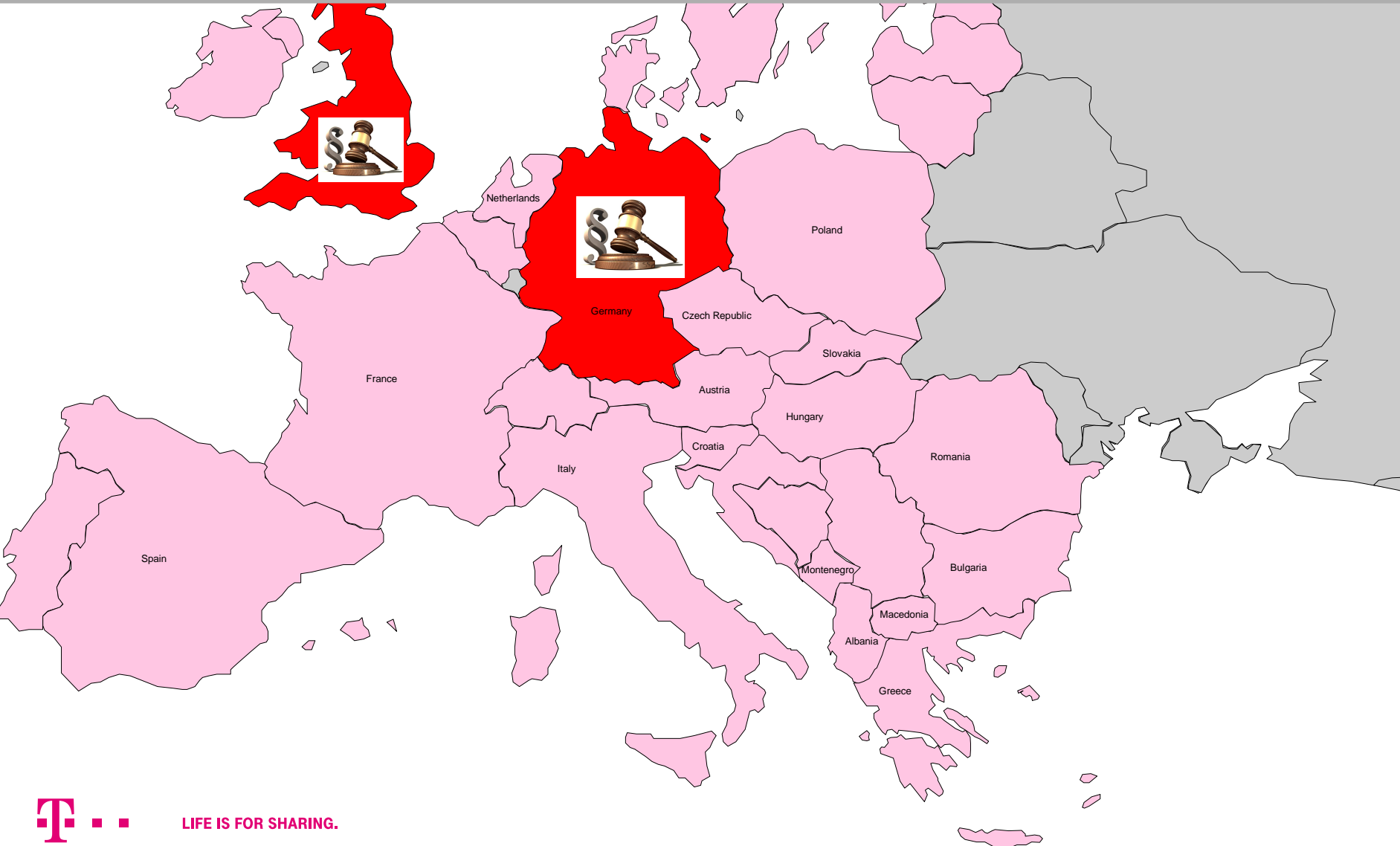
By Crayton Harrison

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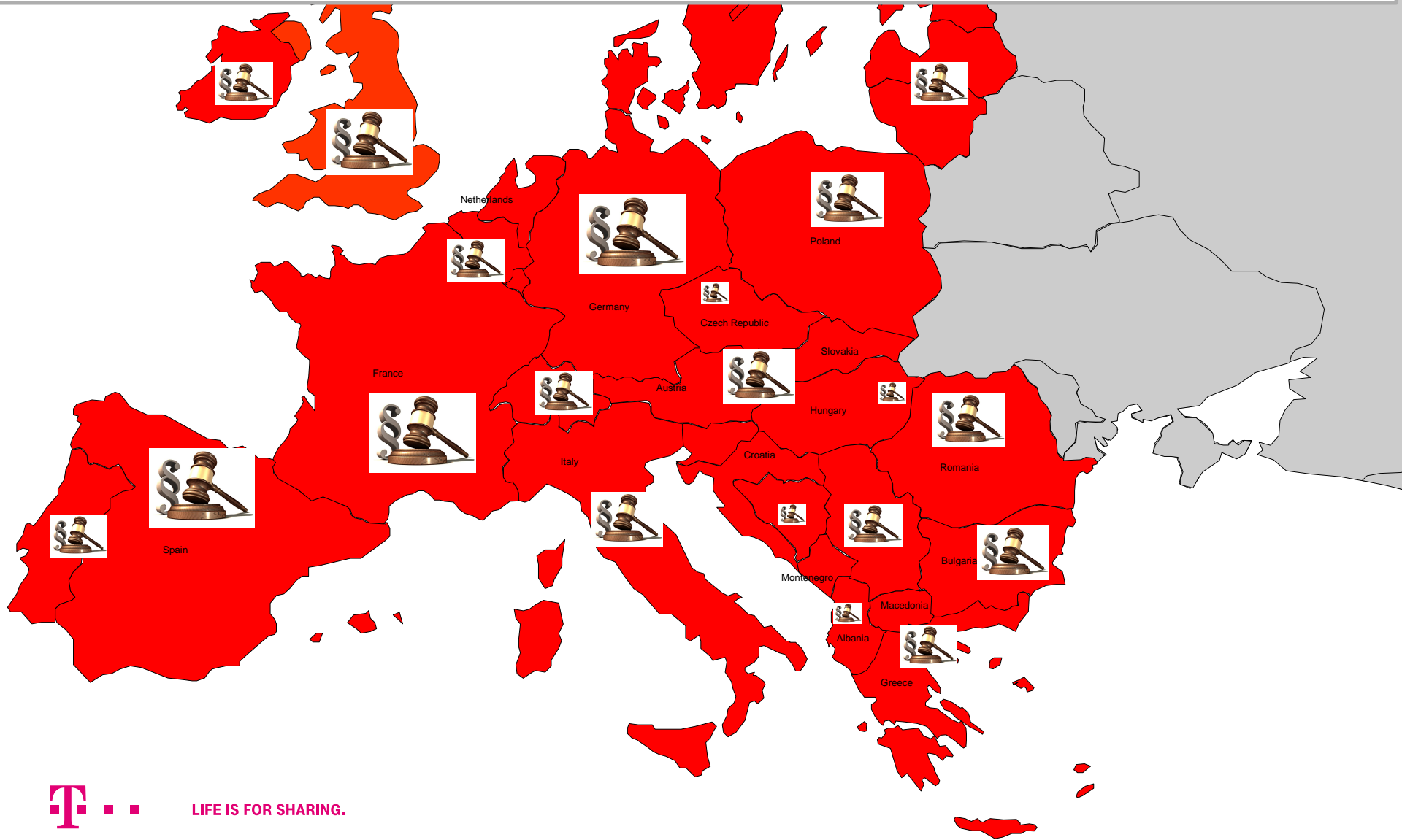


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# Patent Wars nowadays



# Unified European Court System (UPC) Patent Wars in Future



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# New European Patent Law Unified Patent (UP) and Unified Patent Court (UPC)

Up to know there is no real European Patent but single national patents

- Most companies file telecommunication patents only in Germany, Great Britain, France, Italy and Spain as being the big countries

The new European Patent make a patent immediately valid in all countries in Europe

- More countries will be used for patent wars as the patents are valid in more countries

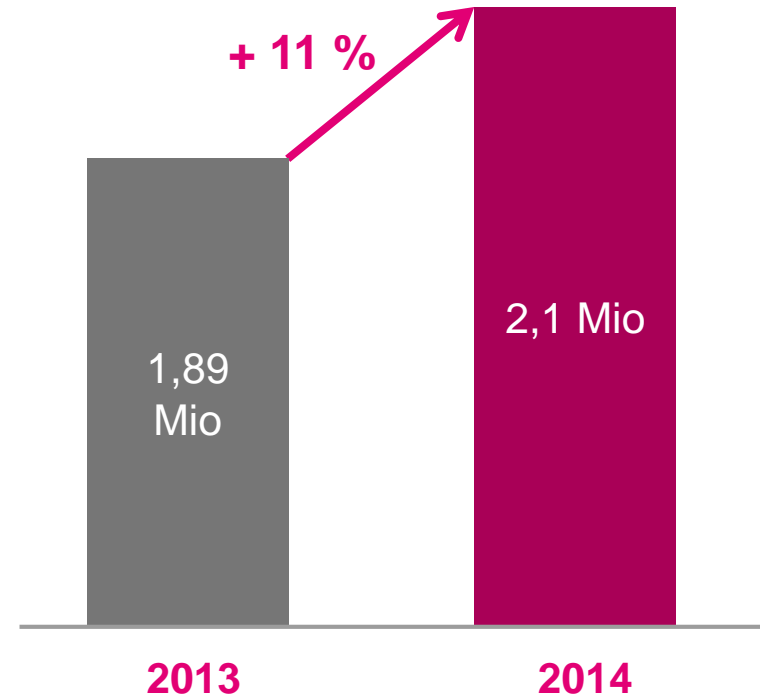
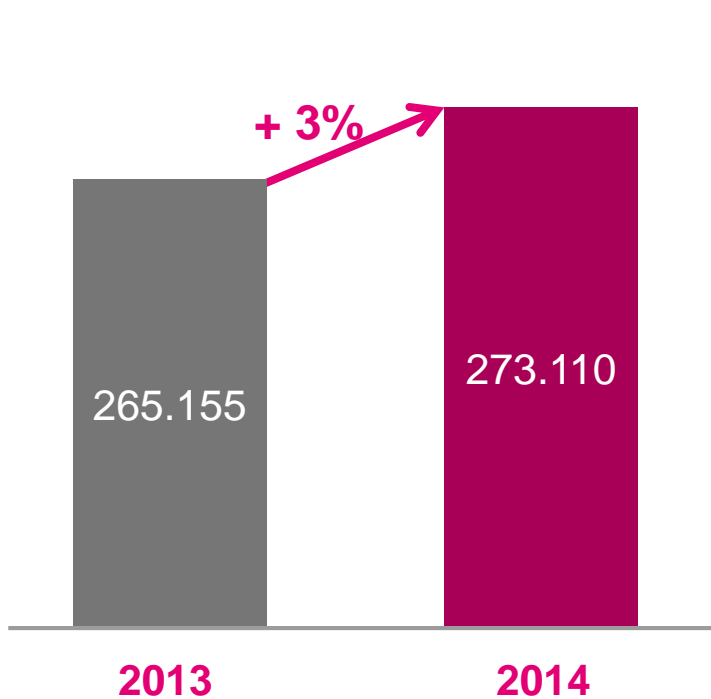
Legislation is different in European countries making it costly to run patent wars in more than one country.

The UPC unifies legislations and makes patent wars in several European Countries easier.

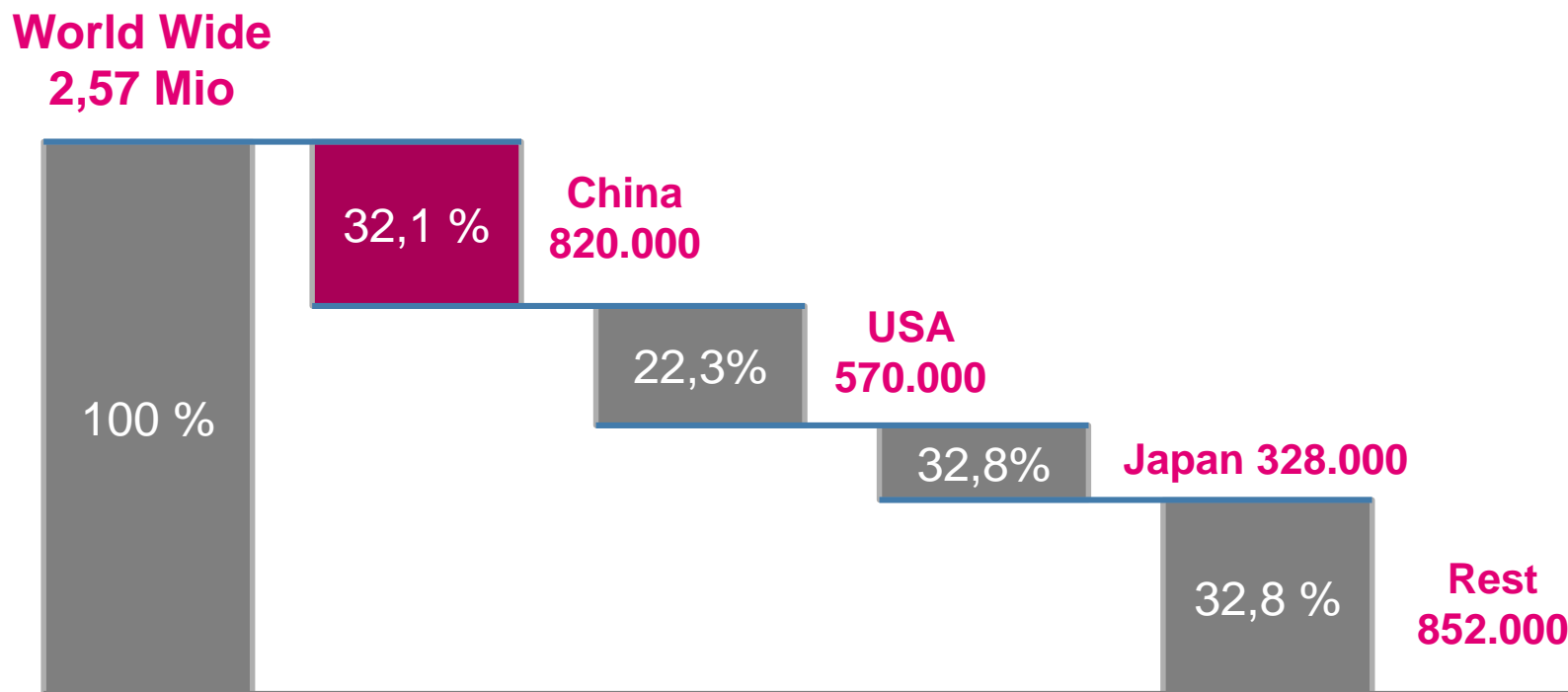
# Patent filing rises

European Patent Office (EPO) receives a record 273.000 patent filings in 2014, up by around 3 %

Patent filings rise by 11 %, say IP5 (JPO, KIPO, USPTO, EPO and SIPO)



# China patent applications accounts for 32,1 % of global total applications 2013



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