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Imre Gonda has been practicing national and international IP law for more than 17 years. Currently he is the head of IP Department of the largest pharmaceutical company in the Central European region which is very active in both areas, research of originating pharmaceuticals and generic product development. The company qualified as the second largest applicant in the Madrid System for 2017.

Before he joined Gedeon Richter Plc., he filled different positions in the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office, for 10 years he was the deputy-head of Trademark, Model and Design Department. He was responsible for managing and supervising the operation of national and international trademark, geographical indication and design sectors. He was involved in norm setting procedures including the preparation of amendments of laws and the creation of new international legal instruments. He participates in different international forums on a regular basis at WIPO and EU institutions, he was the elected vice-chair for eight cycles of the WIPO Standing Committee on the laws of Trademarks, Designs and Geographical Indications which forum was chaired by him for two years. He was participating in different forums of EUIPO (e.g. Management Board and Budget Committee; Liaison Meeting) in his national capacity for a considerable time period.

He qualified as a lawyer in Pázmány Péter Catholic University (Budapest) and did post graduate studies in European Law (LLM). He has written and edited a number of publications and books. Over the years Mr. Gonda has developed an expertise in the field of trademarks, geographical indications, and designs.