



Francesco MATTINA

Francesco Mattina, an Italian national, was appointed as President of the Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO) by the Council of the European Union in December 2021 and officially started his presidential duties on 1st February 2022.

Educated as a lawyer with a degree in law from the University of Parma, Italy, he holds specialisations in European Union Law, from the European College of Parma, Italy, and in Intellectual Property Law, from the University of Alicante, Spain.

Francesco Mattina joined the CPVO in 2013 after a first experience in the EU public sector as a senior legal advisor in industrial property at the European Union Intellectual Property Agency (EUIPO). Since 2013, Francesco Mattina held various management positions at the CPVO. From 2013 to 2017, he was the Head of the Legal Unit. From 2017 until his current appointment, Francesco Mattina was Vice-President of the CPVO. In this role, he deputised for the President while keeping oversight of all legal matters of the Office.

Before joining the EU public sector, he managed contentious disputes in all major areas of intellectual property as an attorney-at-law admitted to practice before Italian national courts and the Court of Justice of the European Union. He served as partner in several national and international law firms based in Italy.