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## EIP appoint John Williams as Chief Executive Officer

EIP has announced the appointment of John Williams to the role of Chief Executive Officer.

John will take on overall responsibility for EIP's day to day operations, reporting to the executive board.

John has held the position of Non-Executive Director since 2009. During the last four years EIP has changed its structure from a Limited Company to a Limited Liability Partnership, has more than doubled in size in terms of personnel, opened its third and fourth UK offices in Cardiff and Leeds, and now operates in multiple jurisdictions, having opened an office in the US in May 2013. EIP is set to open an office in Düsseldorf, Germany, in December 2013, which will focus on patent litigation and will mean EIP has offices in the three most important jurisdictions in the world for patent litigation.

Partner Jerome Spaargaren said: "The firm's continued growth constantly presents new and exciting challenges. Greater size and reach brings with it ever increasing management issues. The partners are delighted that John agreed to take on this new role as Chief Executive Officer. John has played a significant part in the growth and success of EIP over the last few years and he will play an even greater role in its development."

CEO John Williams said: "I am very pleased to take on this role. EIP is a great firm and I look forward to working with the partners and managers to sustain the excellent progress made over the last few years."