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After studying physics, in 2005 Stephan Balliel-Zakowicz completed his doctorate in theoretical atomic physics and mathematical physics. After a year of teaching and research at the Federal Technical University (ETH) of Zurich, he decided upon a change of career and commenced his employment at Hepp Wenger Ryffel in 2006. At the same time, he trained in patent law and has been a European and Swiss Patent Attorney since 2010.

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