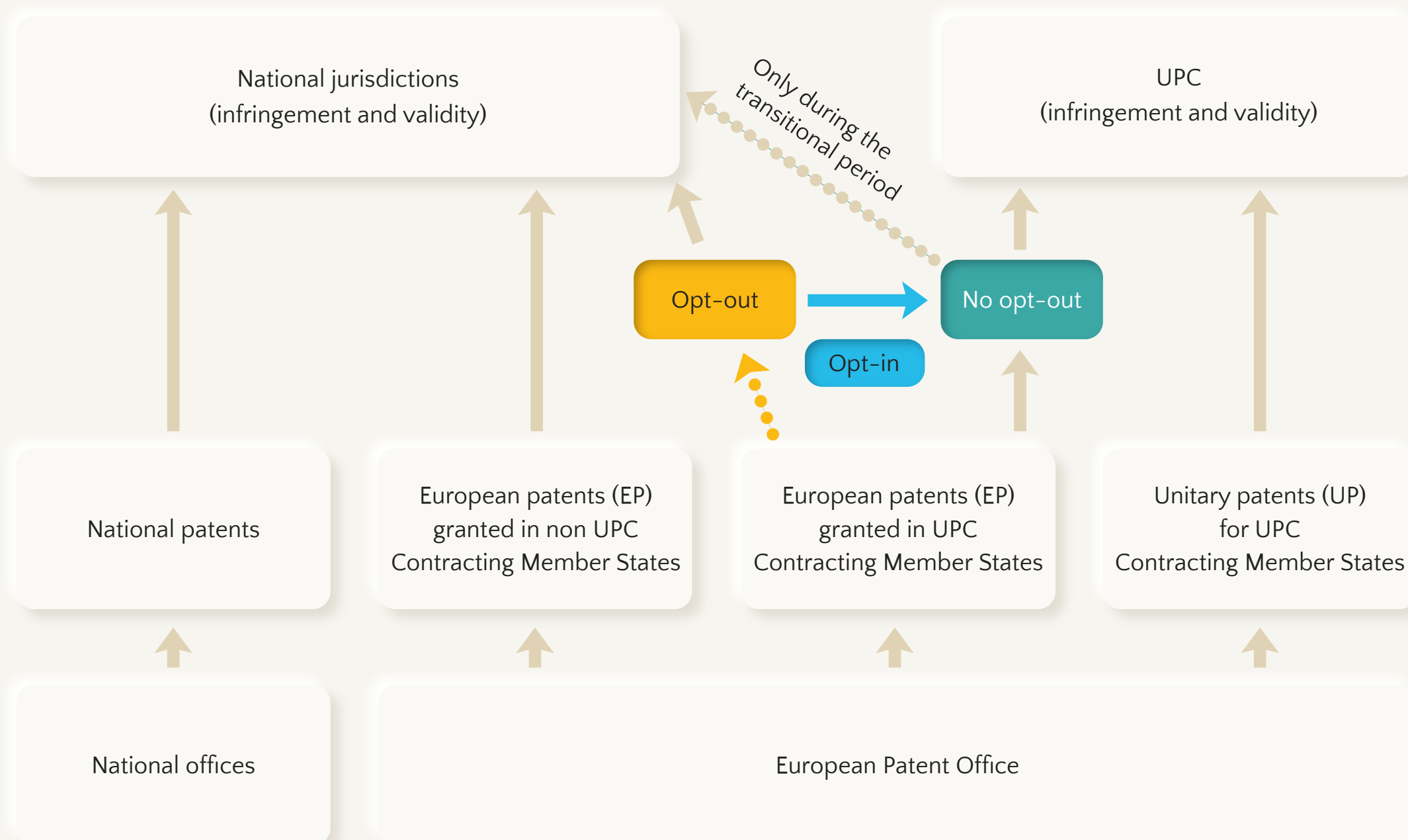




## The future patent jurisdictions in Europe



### Opt-out

#### When?

- Before the entry into force of UPC, during a provisional application period "Sunrise Period" expected to start in the last quarter of 2022
- During a transitional period of at least 7 years as from the entry of the UPC unless an action has already been brought before the UPC

#### Who?

- The actual patent proprietor/applicant (may be different from the registered proprietor/applicant)
- If a EP is co-owned, all the actual co-owners

#### How?

- Online at the Registry of the UPC via its case Management System – no official fee is due
- For one proprietor, there exists the possibility to lodge multiple opt-outs in one step

### Opt-in (withdrawal of opt-out )

#### When?

- Opt-in possible, unless action is or has ever been pending in national court

#### Who?

- The actual patent proprietor/applicant (may be different from the registered proprietor/applicant)
- If a EP is co-owned, all the actual co-owners

#### How?

- Online at the Registry of the UPC via its case Management System – no official fee is due
- No second opt-out possible

### Possibility to remove an unauthorized opt-out or opt-in

- If there has been an unauthorized opt-out/opt-in, the actual proprietor may apply to remove
- Possible only if a third party has fraudulently or mistakenly filed an opt-out/opt-in. No removal possible if the proprietor filed an opt-out/opt-in, but did so without complying with the rules

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