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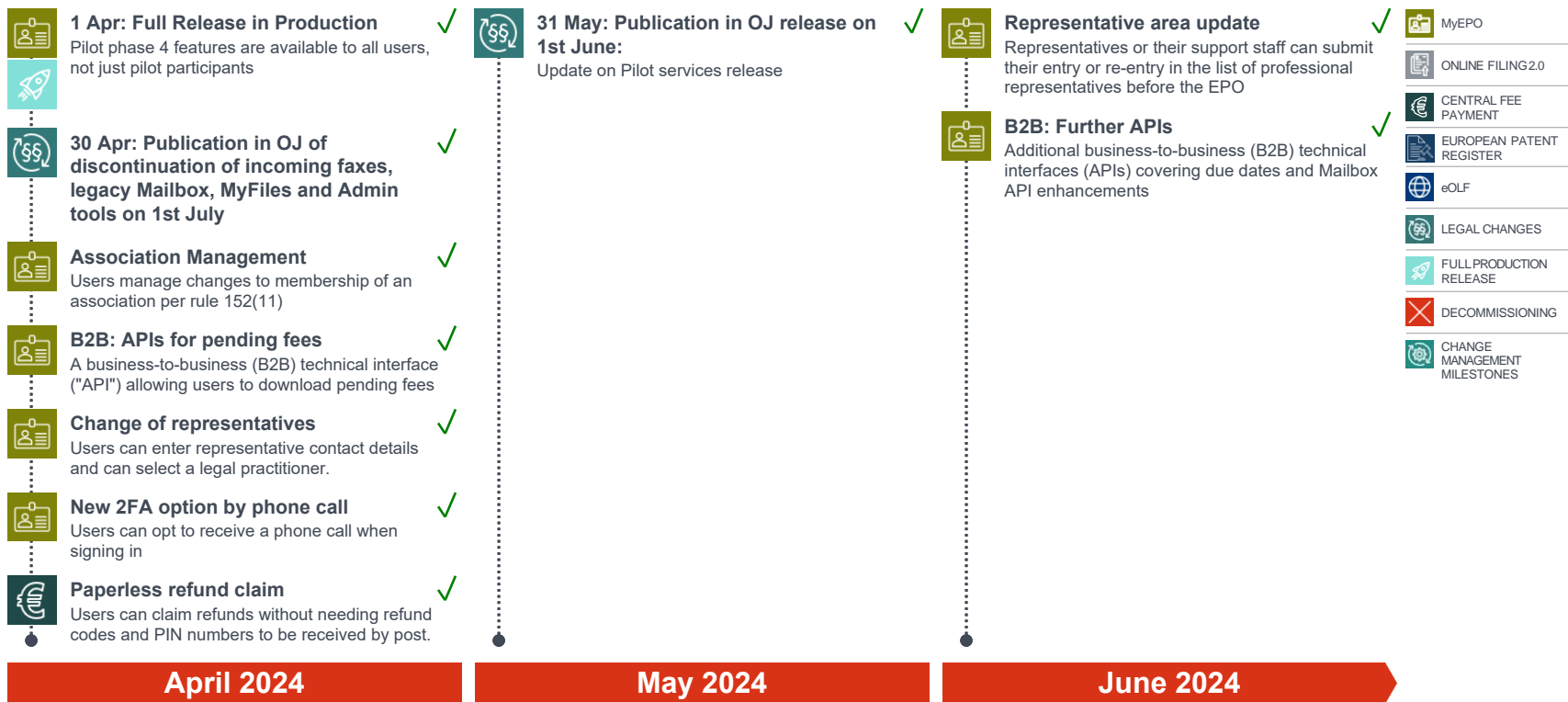
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PIPELINE PLANNING IS SUBJECT TO
ONGOING REVIEW AND POSSIBLE CHANGE

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Integration with Legal Interactive Platform



Access to EPO's AI-based platform to query about almost any legal aspect of the European Patent system



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1 July: Incoming faxes discontinued



Users can no longer send faxes in relation to the patent grant process



Legacy Mailbox, MyFiles and Admin facilities tools decommissioned



MyEPO Portfolio is the single tool to access my EPO Mailbox, view application portfolios and documents and administer the EPO Mailbox and user access



Enhanced Portfolio access rights

Company administrators can manage portfolio access rights at a more granular level (Sign / Send) than before



Enhanced EP application detail screen

The application detail screen will be significantly enhanced, following design review sessions with users



Deposit account administration

Company administrators can manage deposit accounts



All actions and requests can be saved as Draft

All actions and requests can be saved as Draft and are accessible from the "Actions" tab in MyEPO for further editing



Improved overview of all proceedings

Users will benefit from the new design including UP, and Oppositions (from the applicant or opponent perspective)



Enhanced receipts

Receipts for all submitted actions will be harmonised and information enhanced



B2B: Further APIs

Additional business-to-business (B2B) technical interfaces (APIs) covering bibliographic data, schedule of fees, user references and portfolio information



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End grace period for national office smart card renewal/replacement

From 18.00 hrs CEST the EPO no longer accepts exceptional requests for smart card renewal/replacement for filing with national offices




 **Publication in OJ of discontinuation of smart cards and webform filing on 31st December** ✓


 **Publication in OJ full release on 1st November** ✓
Update on Pilot services release

October 2024


 **Full Release in Production** ✓
Pilot phase 5 features are available to all users, not just pilot participants


 **Searchable Database of Professional Representatives** ✓










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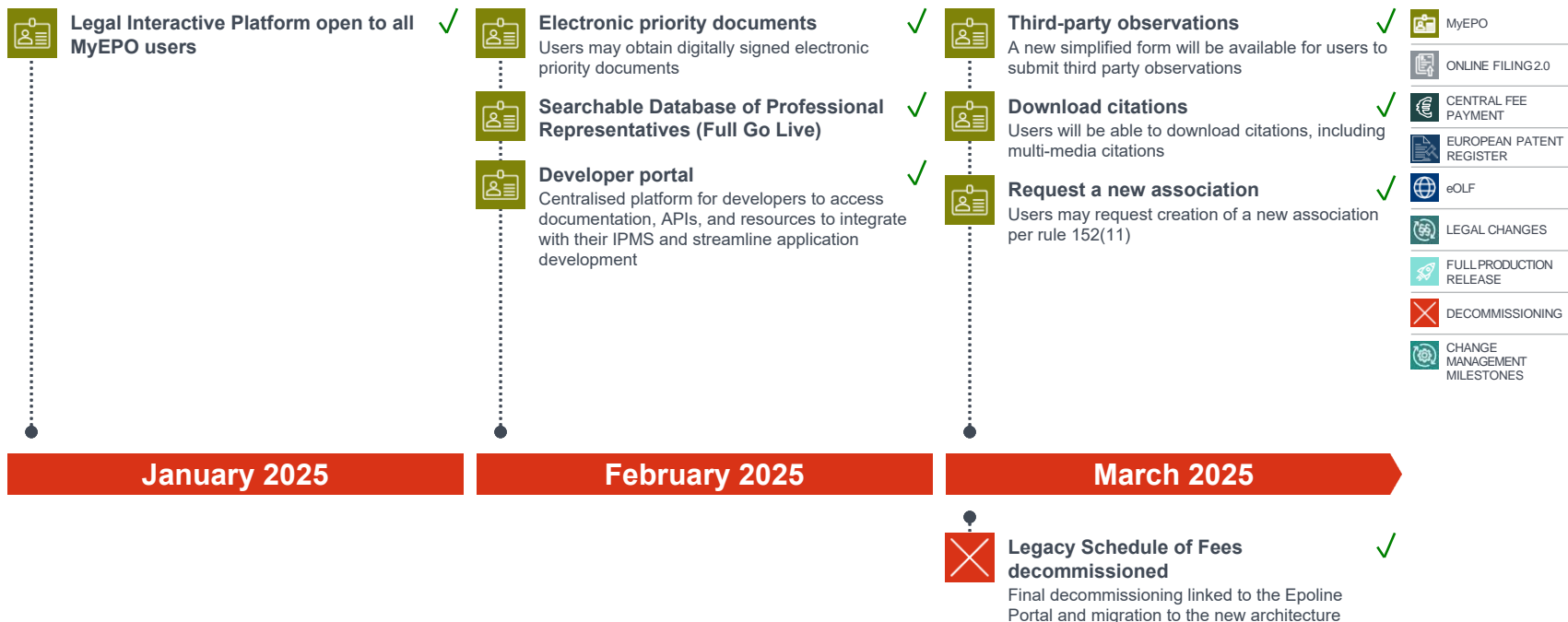
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 **Webform Filing decommissioned** ✓
Online Filing 2.0 is the tool of choice for filing with the EPO. In case not available, the Contingency Upload Service can be used.

 **All Smart cards discontinued** ✓
EPO smart cards will no longer work. Instead, services can be accessed using one of the EPO's alternative means of logging in securely, including mobile authenticator apps

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Import bulk requests – part 2

Users can upload a list of items for processing:
company members, portfolio access



Improve MyEPO interface with a new landing page design

Pilot users will have a convenient new landing page, designed with user input.



Association updates

Associations can update their details directly in MyEPO.



Ethical Walls configuration and access transparency

Company Admins can define access to individual company members



Bibliographic Panel

Bibliographic data for patent applications is presented in a dedicated panel with editing rights available to authorised users.



PCTRO101 API

New API for integration with the filing that initiates the PCT process to seek patent protection in multiple countries through a single international application



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Association updates

Associations can update their details directly in MyEPO.



Legal Practitioners Area

Legal Practitioners can access and update their details in MyEPO.



PCT applications added to the portfolio

PCT applications can be consulted in MyEPO



Entry request for Legal Practitioners

Legal Practitioners can submit entry requests in MyEPO.



Enhancement to the Shared Area and integration with Back Office processes



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Add Legal Practitioners to Associations

Legal Practitioners can be added as members of Associations.



Ethical Walls enforce conflict prevention

Restrict access rights preventing conflicts of interest on selected applications.



Download of Multimedia Citations

Parties to the proceedings can easily download multimedia citations such as audio or video clips.



Entry into Force: Colour Filings

Filing of colour documents allowed from 01.10.2025.



DocX and PDF drawings for EP1001 filings

Pilot for DocX end-to-end filing and adding drawings in PDF to initial EP1001 filings.



Registers of Legal Practitioners and Associations

Public access to the new Registers via epo.org.



Colour filings

End-to-end processing of application and other documents in colour.



End-to-End DocX filing

DocX will be allowed as a means of filing in OLF 2.0 and MyEPO Portfolio



B2B: Improve APIs and increase of use to support transition from eOLF to MyEPO



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Full Entry into Force for DocX

DocX allowed for all filing types including EP1001, EP1200, and letters.



European Patent Register MVP released

A first version of the new European Patent Register is released as a Minimal Viable Product



All features released for the European Patent Register

A full version of the new European Patent Register is released which offers all required functionality in order to fully replace the legacy European Patent Register



Decommissioning of legacy register

The legacy European Patent Register is decommissioned



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