

# MYEPO SERVICES








ROADMAP 2024/25

A TIMELINE OF UPCOMING FEATURES

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## 2023/24



-  MyEPO PORTFOLIO
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-  CENTRAL FEE PAYMENT
-  eOLF
-  LEGAL CHANGES
-  DECOMMISSION
-  FULL PRODUCTION RELEASE

Pilot phase 4 

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-  ■ **Licence management** ✓  
◀ Users can request and manage licences
- **Request certified copies** ✓  
◀ Users can request a certified copy of documents related to an application or a granted patent, including unitary patents
- **Import bulk requests – part 1** ✓  
◀ Users can upload a list of applications and submit a request that applies to them all (license management and transfer of rights)
- **Open any application** ✓  
◀ Any user of MyEPO can open any public EP, UP or Euro-PCT application. They can also request licence management, transfer of rights or certified copies.

Feb-24






-  ■ **29 February: Publication in OJ full release on 1st April:** ✓  
Update on Pilot services release (Pilot in OJ EPO 2022, A94), President's decision on new MyEPO features and the use of MyEPO Portfolio services for unitary patents. Also licence management, transfer of rights and certified copies.




-  ■ **1 Apr: Full Release in Production** ✓   
Pilot phase 4 features are available to all users, not just pilot participants





Apr-24



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**30 Apr: Publication in OJ of discontinuation of incoming faxes, legacy Mailbox, MyFiles and Admin tools on 1<sup>st</sup> July**
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**Paperless refund claim**  
 Users can claim refunds without needing refund codes and PIN numbers to be received by post. ✓ 
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**Association management**  
 Users manage changes to membership of an association per rule 152(11)
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**B2B: APIs for pending fees and due dates**  
 A business-to-business (B2B) technical interface ("API") allowing users to download pending fees with due dates








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**Change of representatives**  
 Users can enter representative contact details and can select a legal practitioner.
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**New 2FA option by phone call** ✓ 
  
 Users can opt to receive a phone call when signing in

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**B2B: Further APIs**  
 Additional business-to-business (B2B) technical interfaces ("APIs") covering user references, bibliographic data, portfolio information and Mailbox API enhancements.
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**Enhanced portfolio access rights**  
 Company administrators can manage portfolio access rights at a more granular level than before.
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**Enhanced application detail screen**  
 The application detail screen will be significantly enhanced, following design review sessions with users
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**31 May: Publication in OJ release on 1st June:**  
 Update on Pilot services release

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**1 June: Representative area update** 
  
 Representatives or their support staff can submit their entry or re-entry in the list of professional representatives before the EPO.

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May-24

Jun-24

Pilot phase 5 

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**Third party observations**  
 A new simplified form will be available for users to submit third party observations

**Download citations**  
 Users will be able to download citations, including multi-media citations

**Request a new association**  
 Users may request creation of a new association per rule 152(11)

**1 July: Incoming faxes discontinued**  
 Users can no longer send faxes in relation to the patent grant process

**1 July: 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

Jul-24

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**Electronic priority documents**  
 Users may obtain digitally signed electronic priority documents

**PACE requests**  
 Users can submit requests to participate in the programme for accelerated prosecution of European patent applications (PACE)

**Manage general authorisations**  
 Users may file and manage general authorisations per rule 152(4)

**Deposit account administration**  
 Company administrators can manage deposit accounts

**New “starting page” for users**  
 On opening MyEPO Portfolio, users will see a convenient new “starting page”, designed with user input.

**Enhanced submission approach**  
 The “review/sign/send” steps will be made clearer for all submissions.

**30 Sept 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

Aug-24

Sep-24

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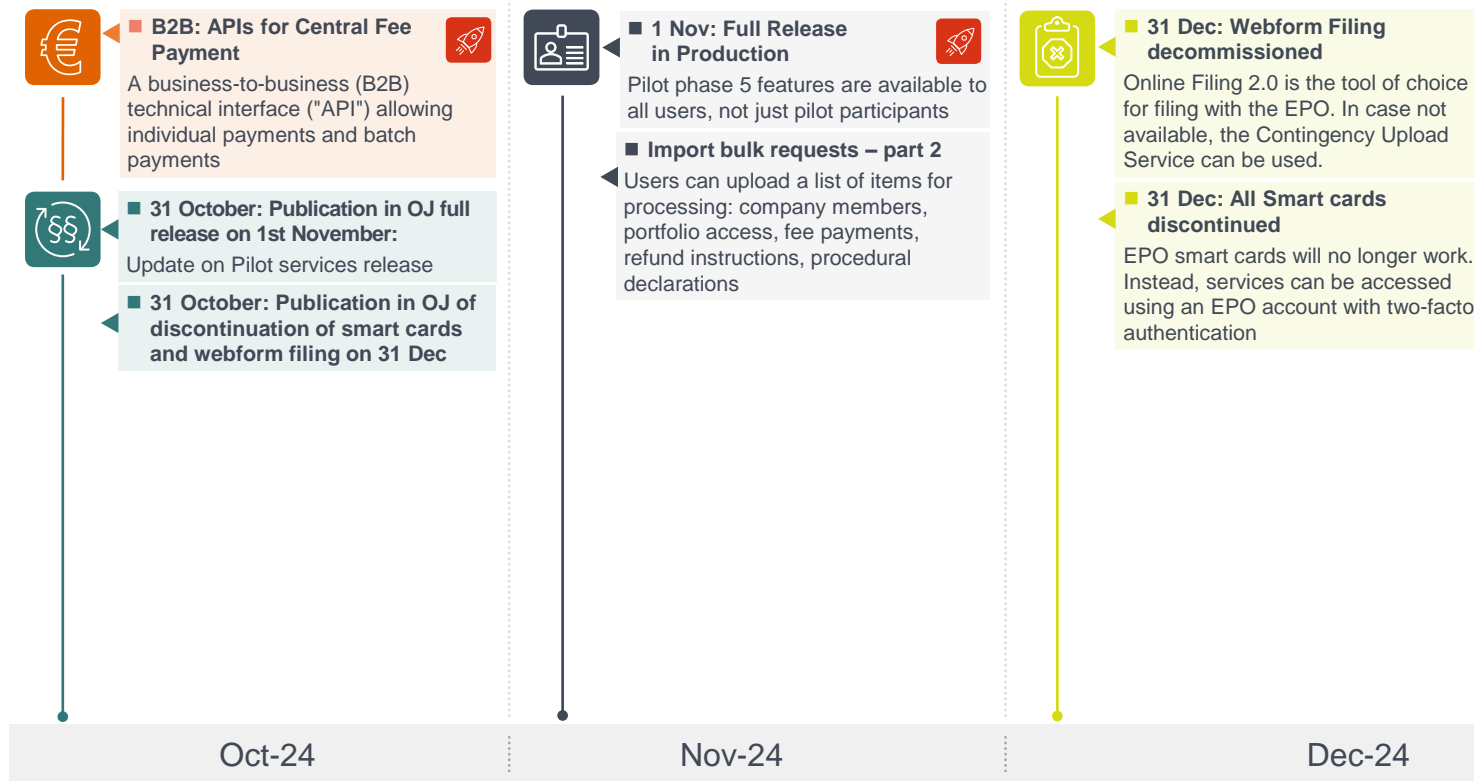
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-  ■ **Third Party Observations only possible online**
-  ■ **Digitalised and transparent registers of representatives (professional representatives, associations, legal practitioners) as searchable databases**

-  ■ **Self-service address management**  
Users can update directly the information held by the EPO about their addresses and company names

-  ■ **Colour filings**  
End-to-end processing of application and other documents in colour.

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

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Jan – Dec 25

2025 

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