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Introduction A.

A1. European patent system

A2. Validation and extension system

A1. European patent system

The centralised, fundamentally autonomous and uniform procedure for the grant of European patents, introduced by the European Patent Convention (EPC), is linked in a special way with the national patent law of the member states of the European Patent Organisation, and at a number of stages it "interfaces" with the national legal systems – a feature essential to smooth interaction between European and national law. In each of the contracting states for which it is granted, the European patent has the effect of and is subject to the same conditions as a national patent granted by that state, unless otherwise provided in the EPC (Article 2(2) EPC).

The salient characteristic of these interfaces is that, at the outset or in the course of the European grant procedure or after it has been completed, the patent applicant or proprietor may or must take certain steps before the patent authorities of the contracting states in order to acquire or maintain certain rights in those states. It is therefore of primordial importance for all European applicants and proprietors to be familiar with and carefully observe such procedural steps laid down by national law and the conditions for their validity, if full advantage is to be derived from the European patent system and loss of rights is to be avoided.

The European Patent Office intends this booklet to be a concise and reliable guide to the most important provisions and requirements under the EPC contracting states' national law governing European patent applications and patents, for the use of European patent applicants and proprietors and all others concerned with the European patent system. The synopses given in the following tables have been prepared in close co-operation with the authorities of the contracting states responsible for the protection of industrial property.

Although we have exercised the greatest care in drawing up the tables, we cannot vouch for the absolute completeness and accuracy of the information given. If only because of their conciseness and the fact that they concentrate on the bare essentials, the tables can be no substitute for consultation of the national legal sources themselves, supplemented where appropriate by professional advice from authorised persons, and it cannot be stated with any certainty that the legal provisions summarised in them will not have changed by the time this booklet appears. In particular, the reader should not assume that the official fees given at various points in the tables have not been increased in the meantime. It is therefore advisable always to refer back to the official publications of the contracting states so as to keep up to date with the development of national legislation and official practice.

The EPO will continue to provide regular and, as far as possible, up-to-date coverage in its Official Journal of legal developments in the contracting states. The reader is in particular referred to the online version of the brochure "National law relating to the EPC"*, which is updated whenever the EPO learns of any relevant changes at national level.

* *www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/national-law.html*

A2. Validation and extension system

The European Patent Organisation has concluded agreements on extending or validating the protection conferred by European patents (extension/validation agreements) with states which are not party to the EPC.

These agreements form the basis of extension and validation systems providing patent applicants with a simple and cost-effective way of obtaining patent protection in these other, non EPC countries. At the applicant's request and on payment of the extension or validation fee, European patent applications (direct or Euro-PCT, provided PCT applications include the designation both for a European patent and for such non-EPC states) and patents can be extended to these countries, where they will have the same effects as national applications and patents.

At present, it is possible to request:

- extension to

Bosnia and Herzegovina (as from 1 December 2004)

Montenegro (as from 1 March 2010)

- validation in

Morocco (as from 1 March 2015)

Republic of Moldova (as from 1 November 2015)

Tunisia (as from 1 December 2017)

Cambodia (as from 1 March 2018)

Note: Extension or validation is possible only for applications (Euro direct or PCT) filed after the date of entry into force of the relevant agreement.

The extension and validation systems largely correspond to the EPC system operating in the EPC contracting states, except that they are based not on direct application of the EPC but solely on national law modelled on the EPC. The relevant procedure is thus governed by the national extension or validation rules of the country concerned.

Those rules which are identical for all the states concerned are summarised below, while the states' main individual requirements are shown in the relevant tables immediately after the information for the contracting states.

Extension or validation fee

The extension or validation fee is payable to the EPO. The time limit for payment of the fee is:

- for European applications

six months from the date on which the European Patent Bulletin mentions the publication of the European search report.

- for Euro-PCT applications

within the period for performing the acts required for an international application to enter the European phase.

Withdrawal of the request for extension or validation

A request for extension or validation is deemed withdrawn if the extension or validation fee is not paid or the application is withdrawn, refused or deemed withdrawn.

Subsequent payment of extension or validation fees

If the fee for an extension or validation state has not been paid within the basic period, the applicant can pay the extension or validation fee subsequently in combination with a 50% surcharge

1. within two months of expiry of the basic period (on the "re-introduced grace period", see OJ EPO 2009, 603; and OJ EPO 2015, A19) or

2. within two months of notification of a communication of loss of rights owing to non-payment of the designation fee.

In the latter case, a subsequent payment is possible only if the conditions set out in detail in the Guidelines for Examination, A-III, 12.2, are met. Under those conditions, the applicant can request further processing for the designations deemed to be withdrawn (Article 121; Rule 135 EPC), paying the extension or validation fees at the same time.

The synopses given in the following tables have been drawn up in close co-operation with the authorities responsible for the protection of industrial property in the extension and validation states. They give an overview of the most important provisions and requirements applicable under each state's national law on extended or validated European patent applications and patents. They are intended to be as accurate as possible, but it is always advisable to consult the states' own official publications to keep up to date with any changes in their national legislation on extension or validation and in their national offices' related practice.

Accession to the EPC of an extension state

The extension agreement between an extension state and the European Patent Organisation will terminate with the entry into force of the EPC in that state. It will thereafter no longer be possible to extend European patent applications and patents to the former extension state. The **extension system will, however, continue to apply** to all European and international applications **filed prior to the date of entry into force of the EPC in that state**, as well as to all European patents granted in respect of such applications.

The legal situation outlined above exists in Slovenia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 December 2002), in Romania (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 March 2003), in Lithuania (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 December 2004), in Latvia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 July 2005), in Croatia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 January 2008), in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 January 2009), in Albania (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 May 2010) and in Serbia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 October 2010).

Abbreviations B.

(See also Table I, section 4)

AGEPI	State Agency on Intellectual Property (Rep. of Moldova)
AL	Albania
ALL	Albanian lek
AT	Austria
BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina
BAM	Bosnian convertible mark
BE	Belgium
BG	Bulgaria
BGBl.	Bundesgesetzblatt
BGN	Bulgarian lev
Bl.f.PMZ	Blatt für Patent-, Muster- und Zeichenwesen
BOE	Boletín oficial del Estado
BOPI	Bulletin officiel de la propriété industrielle - Brevets d'invention
CH	Switzerland
CHF	Swiss franc
CY	Cyprus
CZ	Czech Republic
CZK	Czech koruna
DE	Germany
DK	Denmark
DKK	Danish krone
DKPTO	Danish Patent and Trademark Office
DPMA	German Patent and Trademark Office
EDBI	Eidiko Deltio Biomichanikis Idioktisias (Greek Industrial Property Bulletin)
EE	Estonia
EEA	European Economic Area
EP	European
EPC	European Patent Convention
EPO	European Patent Office
ES	Spain
EU	European Union
EUR	Euro
ΦΕΚ	Fyllo Efimeridos tis Kyberniseos (Greek Law Gazette)
FI	Finland
FR	France
GBP	Pound sterling
GDIP	General Directorate of Industrial Property (Albania)
GR	Greece
GRUR Int.	Gewerblicher Rechtsschutz und Urheberrecht, Internationaler Teil
G.U.	Gazzetta Ufficiale
HIPO	Hungarian Intellectual Property Office
HR	Croatia
HRK	Croatian kuna
HU	Hungary
HUF	Hungarian forint
IE	Ireland
INPI	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (France)
INPI	Instituto Nacional da Propriedade Industrial (Portugal)
IP	Industrial Property
IPI	Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property
IPLT	Industrial Property - Laws and Treaties
IPO	Icelandic Patent Office
IPO	Intellectual Property Office (UK)
IPO	Irish Patents Office
IPPO	Industrial Property Protection Office
IPRD	Industrial Property Registrations Directorate (Malta)
IS	Iceland
ISK	Iceland króna
IT	Italy
J.M.	Journal de Monaco
JORF	Journal officiel de la République Française
LGBl.	Liechtensteinisches Landesgesetzblatt
LI	Liechtenstein
LT	Lithuania
LTPI	Lois et traités de propriété industrielle
LU	Luxembourg
LV	Latvia
MA	Morocco
MAD	Moroccan dirham
MC	Monaco
MD	Republic of Moldova
ME	Montenegro
MK	Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
MKD	Macedonian denar
MT	Malta
n/a	not applicable
NIPO	Norwegian Industrial Property Office
NL	Netherlands
NN	Narodne Novine (Croatia)
NO	Norway
NOK	Norwegian krone
NPO	Netherlands Patent Office (Octrooicentrum Nederland)
OBI	Organismos Biomichanikis Idioktisias (Greek Industrial Property Organisation)
OEPM	Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas (Spain)
OJ EPO	Official Journal of the European Patent Office
OMPIC	Moroccan Industrial and Commercial Property Office
OPRI	Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle (Belgium)
OSIM	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)
PIBD	Propriété industrielle - Bulletin documentaire
PL	Poland
PLN	Polish Zloty
PRH	Patentti- ja rekisterihallitus (Finland)
PT	Portugal
RO	Romania
RON	New Romanian leu
RS	Serbia
RSD	Serbian dinar
SäädKok	Suomen Säädöskokoelma
SE	Sweden
SEK	Swedish krona
SFS	Svensk författningssamling
SG	State Gazette (Bulgaria)
SI	Slovenia
S.I.	Statutory Instruments
SIPO	Slovenian Intellectual Property Office
SK	Slovakia
Sl. list CG	Official Journal of Montenegro
Sl. list RCG	Official Journal of the Republic of Montenegro
Sl. list SCG	Official Journal of the State Union Serbia and Montenegro
SM	San Marino
SOIP	State Office of Industrial Property (Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
SR	Systematische Rechtssammlung (Switzerland)
Stb	Staatsblad
TR	Turkey
TRY	Turkish lira
UIBM	Ufficio Italiano Brevetti e Marchi (Italian Patent and Trademark Office)
UK	United Kingdom
USBM	Ufficio di Stato Brevetti e Marchi (San Marino)
USD	US Dollar

National legal bases

I.

This table contains a (not necessarily exhaustive) list of important national legal sources (laws, regulations, decrees, etc.) relevant for European patent applications and patents in the various EPC contracting states and the extension and validation states. Most of them are referred to again in the subsequent tables. The title of these legal sources is given in the official language of the state in question. Where necessary, a translation into the official language of the EPO in which this booklet is published is given underneath in italics in square brackets. To keep the table to a reasonable size, the "original title" in the case of states with more than one official language is given only in one of these languages. The titles of the extension and validation states' legal bases appear only as translated into the EPO official language of this booklet.

The dates on which the various items of referenced legislation entered into force have not been included, as this would have cluttered up the tables - especially in cases where some articles of certain laws and regulations entered into force at different times.

Where the Office knows of translations into one of the official languages of the EPO of the legal sources listed, these are referenced. English and French translations of legal texts relating to intellectual property can also be consulted in WIPO's electronic database "WIPO Lex" (*www.wipo.int/wipolex/en*). It should be noted, however, that these translations are not always up-to-date and that at all times only the original version given in the official publications is the authentic text.

The abbreviations used in the following tables have been introduced for the sake of clarity and do not always coincide with the official abbreviations used in the contracting states.

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Source	3 Translation published in . . . (language)	4 Abbreviations used in this synopsis
Albania	1. Ligji Nr. 9947 date 7.7.2008 Per Pronesine Industriale i ndryshuar me Ligjin Nr.10/2013 i datës 14.2.2013, dhe Ligji 55/2014 i datës 29.5.2014, dhe Ligji 17/2017 i datës 16.2.2017	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 121, 2008 No. 29, 2013 No. 96, 2014 No. 43, 2017		
	[1. Law No. 9947 on Industrial Property of 7 July 2008, as amended by Law No. 10/2013 of 14 February 2013, by Law No. 55/2014 of 29 May 2014 and by Law No. 17/2017 of 16 February 2017]		IPLT AL 1-001 (English)	PL
	2. Rregullore "Per leshimin e patentave per shpikjet dhe modelet e perdorimit" Nr. 1707, date 29.12.2008, i ndryshuar me VKM Nr. 618, datë 7.9.2011, dhe me VKM Nr. 38 datë 21.1.2015, dhe me VKM Nr. 460, datë 26.7.2018	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 213, 2008 No. 139, 2011 No. 7, 2015 No. 114, 2018		
	[2. Regulation No. 1707 of 29 December 2008 on patents and utility patents and utility models, as amended by Decree of the Government No. 618 of 7 September 2011, by Decree of the Government No. 38 of 21 January 2015 and by Decree of the Government No. 460 of 26 July 2018]		-	PR
	3. VKM No. 883, 13 Maj 2009 Per tarifat e Objekteve te Pronesise Industriale e ndryshuar me VKM Nr. 37 datë 21.1.2015, dhe me VKM Nr. 316 datë 31.5.2018	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 134, 2009 No. 7, 2015 No. 82, 2018		
	[3. Decree of the Government on State fees No. 883 of 13 May 2009, as amended by Decree of the Government No. 37 of 21 January 2015 and by Decree of the Government No. 316 of 31 May 2018]		-	Fees Decr.
	4. Ligji Nr. 8488 Date 13.5.1999 Per mbrojtjen e topografise se qarqeve te integruar, i ndryshuar me Ligjin Nr. 9957 date 17.7.2008, dhe me Ligjin 66/2014 date 26.6.2014	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 18, 1999 No. 123, 2008 No. 114, 2014		
	[4. Law No. 8488 of 13 May 1999 on the protection of topographies of integrated circuits, as amended by Law No. 9957 of 17 July 2008, and by the Law No. 66/2014 of 26 June 2014]		-	-
Austria	1. Bundesgesetz vom 16. Dezember 1978 über die Einführung des Europäischen Patentübereinkommens und des Vertrages über die internationale Zusammenarbeit auf dem Gebiet des Patentwesens (Patentverträge-Einführungsgesetz)	BGBl Nr. 52/1979; Nr. 234/1984; Nr. 418/1992; Nr. 181/1996; Nr. 175/1998; I Nr. 143/2001; I Nr. 149/2004; I Nr. 42/2005; I Nr. 81/2007; I Nr. 2/2008; I Nr. 126/2009; I Nr. 126/2013		
	[1. Federal Law of 16 December 1978 on the introduction of the European Patent Convention and of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (Introductory Law on Patent Treaties)]		IPLT AT 2-002 (English, French)	ILPT

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	2. Patentgesetz 1970	BGBl Nr. 259/1970; Nr. 234/1984; Nr. 382/1986; Nr. 418/1992; Nr. 771/1992; Nr. 212/1994; Nr. 634/1994; Nr. 181/1996; Nr. 175/1998; I Nr. 191/1999; I Nr. 143/2001; I Nr. 149/2004; I Nr. 42/2005; I Nr. 130/2005; I Nr. 151/2005; I Nr. 96/2006; I Nr. 81/2007; I Nr. 126/2009; I Nr. 135/2009; I Nr. 126/2013; I Nr. 71/2016; I Nr. 124/2017		
	[2. Patent Law 1970]		IPLT AT 2-001 (English, French)	PA
	3. Verordnung des Präsidenten des Patentamts über Eingaben an das Patentamt sowie über das Verfahren in Patent-, Schutzzertifikats-, Gebrauchsmuster-, Halbleiter-schutz-, Marken- und Musterangelegenheiten (Patentamts-verordnung - PAV)	PBl. 2005, Nr. 12, Anhang 4; PBl. 2011, Nr. 2, S. 34; PBl. 2016, Nr. 9, Anhang 4		
	[3. Regulation of the President of the Patent Office on the filing of documents with the Patent Office and on patent, supplementary protection certificate, utility model, semi-conductor protection, trademark and design procedures (Patent Office Regulation)]		-	POR
	4. Bundesgesetz über die im Bereich des Patentamtes zu zahlenden Gebühren und Entgelte (Patentamtsgebühren-gesetz – PAG) in der Fassung VO über die Valorisierung der festen Gebührensätze des Patentamtsgebührengesetzes (PAG-ValV 2014)	BGBl I Nr. 149/2004; I Nr. 81/2007; I Nr. 126/2009; I Nr. 111/2010; I Nr. 36/2011; I Nr. 126/2013; I Nr. 71/2016; I Nr. 124/2017 Patentblatt, I. Teil Nr. 4/2014 (15.4.2014)		
	[4. Federal Law on the Fees Payable to the Patent Office (Law on Patent Office Fees - LPOF) as amended by its President's ordinance valorising the fixed rates under the Federal Law on Patent Office Fees (LPOF-ValOrd 2014)]		-	LPOF

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Belgium	1. Loi du 21 avril 2007 portant diverses dispositions relatives à la procédure de dépôt des demandes de brevet européen et aux effets de ces demandes et des brevets européens en Belgique	Moniteur belge du 4.9.07		
	[1. Law of 21 April 2007 on various provisions relating to the procedure for filing European patent applications and to the effects of such applications and of European patents in Belgium]		-	Law of 21.4.07
	2. Loi du 8 juillet 1977 portant approbation des actes internationaux suivants : 1. Convention sur l'unification de certains éléments du droit des brevets d'invention, faite à Strasbourg le 27 novembre 1963 ; 2. Traité de coopération en matière de brevets et Règlement d'exécution, faits à Washington le 19 juin 1970 ; 3. Convention sur la délivrance de brevets européens (Convention sur le brevet européen), Règlement d'exécution et quatre Protocoles, faits à Munich le 5 octobre 1973 ; 4. Convention relative au brevet européen pour le Marché commun (Convention sur le brevet communautaire) et Règlement d'exécution, faits à Luxembourg le 15 décembre 1975 modifiée par la Loi du 28 mars 1984 et par la Loi du 21 avril 2007	Moniteur belge du 30.9.77 et du 9.3.85		
	[2. Law of 8 July 1977 adopting the following international acts: *1. Convention on the Unification of Certain Points of Substantive Law on Patents for Invention, done at Strasbourg on 27 November 1963* *2. Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations, done at Washington on 19 June 1970* *3. Convention on the Grant of European Patents (European Patent Convention), Implementing Regulations and Four Protocols, done at Munich on 5 October 1973* *4. Convention for the European patent for the common market (Community Patent Convention) and Implementing Regulations, done at Luxembourg on 15 December 1975,* *as amended by the law of 28 March 1984 and by the law of 21 April 2007]*		Bl.f.PMZ 1978, 276 (German) IPLT BE 2-001 (English)	Law of 8.7.77
	3. Loi du 10 janvier 1955 relative à la divulgation et à la mise en œuvre des inventions et des secrets de fabrique intéressant la défense du territoire ou la sûreté de l'État	Moniteur belge du 26.1.55		
	[3. Law of 10 January 1955 on the disclosure and use of inventions and trade secrets affecting national defence or the security of the State]		Bl.f.PMZ 1955, 346 (German)	-
	4. Arrêté royal du 18 juillet 1966 portant coordination des lois sur l'emploi des langues en matière administrative	Moniteur belge du 2.8.66		
	[4. Royal Decree of 18 July 1966 co-ordinating the laws on the use of languages for administrative purposes]		-	-

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	5. Arrêté royal du 5 décembre 2007 relatif au dépôt d'une demande de brevet européen, à sa transformation en demande de brevet belge et à l'enregistrement de brevets européens produisant effet en Belgique	Moniteur belge du 12.12.07		
	[5. Royal Decree of 5 December 2007 relating to the filing of European patent applications and their conversion into Belgian patent applications and the registration of European patents having effect in Belgium]		-	RD of 5.12.07
	6. Arrêté royal du 27 février 1981 relatif au dépôt d'une demande de brevet européen, à sa transformation en demande de brevet national et à l'enregistrement de brevets européens produisant effet en Belgique, modifié par arrêté royal du 2 décembre 1986	Moniteur belge du 5.3.81		
	[6. Royal Decree of 27 February 1981 relating to the filing of European patent applications and their conversion into national patent applications and the registration of European patents having effect in Belgium, as amended by Royal Decree of 2 December 1986]		IPLT BE 2-002 (English) Bl.f.PMZ 1983, 166 (German)	RD of 27.2.81
	7. Arrêté royal du 2 décembre 1986 relatif à la demande, à la délivrance et au maintien en vigueur des brevets d'invention, modifié par l'arrêté royal du 25 mai 1987, par l'arrêté royal du 27 février 2007 et par l'arrêté royal du 17 août 2007	Moniteur belge du 6.12.86		
	[7. Royal Decree of 2 December 1986 on patent applications and the grant and renewal of patents, as amended by Royal Decree of 25 May 1987, by Royal Decree of 27 February 2007 and by Royal Decree of 17 August 2007]		IPLT BE 2-005 (English) Moniteur belge of 8.1.00 (German)	RD of 2.12.86
	8. Arrêté royal du 18 décembre 1986 relatif aux taxes et taxes supplémentaires dues en matière de brevets d'invention, modifié par arrêté royal du 14 février 1989, par arrêté royal du 21 septembre 1993, par arrêté royal du 3 février 1995, par arrêté royal du 17 juin 1999, par arrêté royal du 20 juillet 2000, par l'arrêté royal du 21 décembre 2006, par arrêté royal du 24 septembre 2007 et par l'arrêté royal du 9 novembre 2015	Moniteur belge du 23.12.86		
	[8. Royal Decree of 18 December 1986 concerning fees and supplementary fees payable in respect of patents, as amended by Royal Decree of 14 February 1989, by Royal Decree of 21 September 1993, by Royal Decree of 3 February 1995, by Royal Decree of 17 June 1999, by Royal Decree of 20 July 2000, by Royal Decree of 21 December 2006, by Royal Decree of 24 September 2007 and by Royal Decree of 9 November 2015]		-	RD (Fees)
	9. Loi du 10 avril 2014 portant insertion des dispositions réglant des matières visées à l'article 77 de la Constitution dans le livre XI "Propriété intellectuelle" du Code de droit économique, portant insertion d'une disposition spécifique au livre XI dans le livre XVII du même Code, et modifiant le Code judiciaire en ce qui concerne l'organisation des cours et tribunaux en matière d'actions relatives aux droits de propriété intellectuelle et à la transparence du droit d'auteur et des droits voisins	Moniteur belge du 12.6.2014		
	[9. Law of 10 April 2014 inserting provisions on matters under Art. 77 of the Constitution into Book XI (Intellectual Property) of the Economic Law Code (ELC), inserting a provision relating specifically to Book XI into Book XVII of the ELC and amending the Judiciary Code provisions on judicial system for litigation relating to IP rights and to the transparency of copyright and related rights]		-	ELC (Economic Law Code)

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	10. Loi du 19 avril 2014 portant insertion du Livre XI "Propriété intellectuelle" dans le Code de droit économique, et portant insertion des dispositions propres au Livre XI dans les Livres I, XV et XVII du même Code	Moniteur belge du 12.6.2014		
	[10. Law of 19 April 2014 inserting Book XI ("Intellectual Property") into the Economic Law Code (ELC) and inserting provisions relating to Book XI into Books I, XV and XVII of the ELC]		-	ELC (Economic Law Code)
	11. Arrêté royal du 31 août 2014 relatif à la mise en œuvre, en ce qui concerne la signature électronique, de l'article I.14,11°, du Code de droit économique	Moniteur belge du 11.9.2014		
	[11. Royal Decree of 31 August 2014 implementing Art. I.14(11) of the Economic Law Code with respect to electronic signatures]		-	RD (electronic signature)
	12. Arrêté royal du 4 septembre 2014 relatif à la mise en œuvre des dispositions relatives aux brevets d'invention de la loi du 19 avril 2014 portant insertion du livre XI, "Propriété intellectuelle" dans le Code de droit économique et portant insertion des dispositions propres au livre XI dans les livres I, XV et XVII du même Code	Moniteur belge du 11.9.2014		
	[12. Royal Decree of 4 September 2014 implementing the patent-related provisions of the Law of 19 April 2014 inserting Book XI ("Intellectual Property") into the Economic Law Code (ELC) and inserting provisions relating to Book XI into Books I, XV and XVII of the ELC]		-	RD of 4.9.14
	13. Arrêté royal du 12 mai 2015 portant exécution des articles XI.82 à XI.90 du livre XI du Code de droit économique, relatif au dépôt d'une demande de brevet européen, à sa transformation en demande de brevet belge et à l'enregistrement de brevets européens produisant effet en Belgique			
	[13. Royal Decree of 12 May 2015 implementing Art. XI.82 to XI.90 of Book XI of the Economic Law Code on the filing of European patent applications, their conversion to Belgian patent applications and registration of European patents valid in Belgium]		-	RD of 12.5.15
	14. Loi du 29 juin 2016 portant dispositions diverses en matière d'Économie	Moniteur belge du 6.7.2016		
	[14. Law of 29 June 2016 on miscellaneous provisions of economic law]		-	Law of 29.6.16
	15. Loi du 8 juillet 2018 portant des dispositions en vue de la protection du titre de mandataire en brevets	Moniteur belge du 19.7.2018		
	[15. Law of 8 July 2018 introducing provisions protecting the title of patent attorney]		-	Law of 8.7.18

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Bulgaria	1. Закон за патентите и регистрацията на полезните модели (загл. изм. ДВ, бр. 64 от 2006 г., в сила от 9.11.2006 г.), отразена деноминацията от 5.7.1999 г., обнародван ДВ бр. 27/2.4.1993 г., допълнен ДВ бр. 83/1.10.1996 г., изменен бр. 11/29.1.1998 г., изменен ДВ бр. 81/14.9.1999 г., изменен ДВ бр. 45/30.4.2002 г., изменен ДВ бр. 66/9.7.2002 г., допълнен ДВ бр. 17/21.2.2003 г., изменен ДВ. бр. 30/11.4.2006 г., изменен ДВ бр. 64/8.8.2006 г., изменен ДВ бр. 31/13.4.2007 г., изменен ДВ. бр. 59/20.7.2007 г., изменен ДВ бр.36/4.4.2008 г., изменен ДВ бр. 19/9.3.2010г., изменен ДВ. бр. 38/18.5.2012 г. , изм. ДВ. бр. 58 от 18 Юли 2017 г.	State Gazette (SG)/(JO) No. 27/2.4.1993, 83/1.10.1996, 11/29.1.1998, 81/14.9.1999, 45/30.4.2002, 66/9.7.2002, 68/16.7.2002, 17/21.2.2003, 30/11.4.2006, 64/8.8.2006, 31/13.4.2007, 59/20.7.2007, 36/4.4.2008, 19/9.3.2010, 38/18.5.2012, 58/18.7.2017		
	[1. Law on Patents and Utility Model Registration (title amended by SG No. 64/2006; in force as from 9.11.2006 and reflecting the currency reform of 5.7.1999), promulgated by SG No. 27/2.4.1993, supplemented by SG No. 83/1.10.1996, amended by SG No. 11/29.1.1998, amended by SG No. 81/14.9.1999, amended by SG No. 45/30.4.2002, amended by SG No. 66/9.7.2002, supplemented by SG No. 17/21.2.2003, amended by SG No. 30/11.4.2006, amended by SG No. 64/8.8.2006, amended by SG No. 31/13.4.2007, amended by SG No. 59/20.7.2007, amended by SG No. 36/4.4.2008, amended by SG No. 19/9.3.2010, amended by SG No. 38/18.5.2012, amended by SG No. 58/18.7.2017]		WIPO website at *www.wipo.int/wipolex* BG003EN (English) and BG003FR (French) Bulgarian Patent Office website at *www.bpo.bg/images/stories/laws/law_on_pumr_amended_2007.pdf* (English)	PL
	2. Наредба за секретните патенти, приета с постановление на Министерския съвет № 331 от 20.12.2008 г., обн. ДВ бр. 2/9.1.2009 г., изм. ДВ. бр.8 от 28 Януари 2014 г.	State Gazette No. 2/9.1.2009, 28.1.2014		
	[2. Regulation on secret patents, adopted by Decree of the Council of Ministers No. 331/20.12.2008, promulgated by SG No. 2/9.1.2009, as amended by SG No. 8/28.1.2014]		-	-
	3. Наредба за представителите по индустриална собственост, приета с постановление на Министерски съвет № 161/4.8.2017. Обнародвана ДВ 64/8.8.2017	State Gazette No. 64/8.8.2017		
	[3. Regulations relating to industrial property representatives, adopted by Government Decree No. 161/4.8.2017, promulgated by SG No. 64/8.8.2017]		-	-

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	4. Тарифа за таксите, които се събират от Патентното ведомство на Република България, в сила от 30.12.1999, приета с постановление на Министерски съвет № 242/27.12.1999 г., отразена деноминацията от 27.12.1999, обнародвана ДВ бр. 114/30.12.1999, изменена ДВ бр.117/17.12.2002, изменена ДВ бр. 91/15.11.2005, изменена ДВ бр. 35/ 27.4.2007 г., поправена ДВ бр. 42/29.5.2007 г., изменена ДВ бр. 31/15.4.2011 г., изменена и допълнена ДВ бр. 99/12.12.2017 г.	State Gazette No. 114/30.12.1999, 117/17.12.2002, 91/15.11.2005, 35/27.4.2007, 42/29.5.2007, 31/15.4.2011 99/12.12.2017		
	[4. Schedule of fees collected by the Patent Office, adopted by Decree of the Council of Ministers No. 242/27.12.1999 (reflecting the currency reform of 27.12.1999), promulgated in SG No. 114/30.12.1999, amended by SG No. 117/17.12.2002, amended by SG No. 91/19.11.2005, amended by SG No. 35/27.4.2007, amended by SG No. 42/29.5.2007, amended by SG No. 31/15.4.2011, amended and supplemented by SG No. 99/12.12.2017]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at *www.bpo.bg/images/stories/tariff/TARIFFS_BPO_2017_EN.pdf* (English)	Decr. Fees
	5. Наредба за оформяне, подаване и експертиза на заявки за патенти, приета с постановление на Министерския съвет № 53 от 19.3.2008 г., обнародвана ДВ бр. 33/28.3.2008 г.	State Gazette No. 33/28.3.2008		
	[5. Regulation on drafting, filing and examination of applications for patents, adopted by Decree of the Council of Ministers No. 53/19.3.2008, promulgated by SG No. 33/28.3.2008]		-	-
	6. Наредба за разглеждане на спорове по закона за патентите и регистрацията на полезните модели, приета с Постановление на Министерския съвет № 55 от 9.3.2011 г., обнародвана ДВ бр. 21/15.3.2011 г.	State Gazette No. 21/15.3.2011		
	[6. Regulations on disputes under the law governing patents and utility model registration, adopted by Government Decree No. 55/9.3.2011, promulgated by SG No. 21/15.3.2011]		-	-
Croatia	1. Zakon o patentu	Narodne Novine (NN) 173/2003, 87/2005, 76/2007, 30/2009, 128/2010, 49/2011, 76/2013, 46/2018		
	[1. Patent Act]		-	PA
	2. Pravilnik o patentu	NN 117/2007, 3/2011, 66/2011, 145/2012, 85/2013 43/2017		
	[2. Patent Ordinance]		-	PO

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	3. Zakon o upravnim pristojbama u području prava intelektualnog vlasništva	NN 64/2000, 160/2004, 62/2008, 30/2009, 49/2011		
	[3. Law on administrative fees in the field of intellectual property rights]		-	LAdmFees
	4. Uredba o naknadama za posebne troškove i troškove za pružanje informacijskih usluga Državnog Zavoda za intelektualno vlasništvo	NN 109/2011, 96/2013		
	[4. Regulation on Special Charges and Charges for Information Services Provided by the State Intellectual Property Office]		-	RCh
	5. Zakon o općem upravnom postupku	NN 47/2009		
	[5. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP
Cyprus	1. Patent Law 1998 Patent (Amendment) Law 1999 Patent (Amendment) Law 2000 Patent (Amendment) Law 2002 Patent (Amendment) Law 2006	Cyprus Gazette Part I, 6.4.98 Part I, 19.3.99 Part I, 17.11.00 Part I, 9.8.02, Part I, 28.7.06	IPLT CY 2-001 (English, French) Bl.f.PMZ 2003, 15 (German)	PL
	2. Patent (Fees) Regulations 1999 Patent (Fees) (Amendment) Regulations 2013	Cyprus Gazette Part III (I), 26.3.99 Part III (I), 1.2.13	-	PFR
Czech Republic	1. Patentový zákon: Zákon č. 527/1990 Sb., o vynálezech a zlepšovacích návrzích, ve znění předpisů pozdějších	Sbírka zákonů č. 527/1990 č. 519/1991 č. 116/2000 č. 207/2000 č. 173/2002 č. 501/2004 č. 59/2005 č. 413/2005 č. 221/2006 č. 378/2007 č. 303/2013 č. 183/2017 č. 196/2017		
	[1. Patent Act: Law No. 527/1990 Coll., on inventions and rationalisation proposals, as amended by subsequent laws]		Czech Industrial Property Office website at *www.upv.cz* (English)	PA
	2. Zákon č. 206/2000 Sb., o ochraně biotechnologických vynálezů	Sbírka zákonů č. 206/2000		
	[2. Law No. 206/2000 Coll., on the protection of biotechnological inventions]		Czech Industrial Property Office website at *www.upv.cz* (English)	-

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	3. Zákon č. 634/2004 Sb., o správních poplatcích ve znění předpisů pozdějších	Sbírka zákonů č. 634/2004		
	[3. Law No. 634/2004 Coll., on administrative fees, as amended by subsequent laws]		Czech Industrial Property Office website at *www.upv.cz* (English)	LAdmFees
	4. Zákon č. 173/2002 Sb., o poplatcích za udržování patentů a dodatkových ochranných osvědčení pro léčiva a pro přípravky na ochranu rostlin, ve znění předpisů pozdějších	Sbírka zákonů č.173/2002 č. 377/2005		
	[4. Law No. 173/2002 Coll., on renewal fees for patents and supplementary protection certificates for pharmaceuticals and plant protection products, as amended by subsequent laws]		Czech Industrial Property Office website at *www.upv.cz* (English)	LRenFees
	5. Zákon č. 500/2004 Sb. správní řád ve znění předpisů pozdějších	Sbírka zákonů č. 500/2004		
	[5. Law No. 500/2004 Coll., Administrative Procedure Code, as amended by subsequent laws]		-	APC
	6. Zákon č. 150/2002 Sb., soudní řád správní, ve znění předpisů pozdějších	Sbírka zákonů č. 150/2002		
	[6. Law No. 150/2002 Coll., Administrative Court Procedure Code, as amended by subsequent laws]		-	ACP
	7. Vyhláška č. 550/1990 Sb. o řízení ve věcech vynálezů a průmyslových vzorů, ve znění vyhlášky č. 21/2002 Sb.	Sbírka zákonů č. 550/1990 č. 21/2002		
	[7. Decree No. 550/1990 Coll., on the procedure in matters of inventions and industrial designs as amended by Decree No. 21/2002 Coll.]		Czech Industrial Property Office website at *www.upv.cz* (English)	DP
Denmark	1. Patentloven, lovbekendtgørelse nr. 221 af 26. februar 2017	DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.dk*		
	[1. Consolidated Patents Act No. 221 of 26 February 2017]		DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org* (English)	PA
	2. Bekendtgørelse om patenter og supplerende beskyttelsescertifikater nr. 25 af 18. januar 2013	DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org*		
	[2. Order concerning Patents and Supplementary Protection Certificates No. 25 of 18 January 2013]		DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org* (English)	PO
	3. Bekendtgørelse om ændring af reglerne om konsumption i patentloven m. v. nr. 238 af 30. marts 1994	DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org*		
	[3. Order No. 238 of 30 March 1994 amending the Provisions about Exhaustion of Rights in the Patents Act, etc.]		-	-

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	4. Lov om hemmelige patenter, lovbekendtgørelse nr. 107 af 24. januar 2012 *[4. Consolidated Secret Patents Act No. 107 of 24 January 2012]*	DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org*	DKPTO website at *www.dkpto.org* (English)	Law No. 107/2012
Estonia	1. Patendiseadus, vastu võetud 16. märtsil 1994, viimati muudetud 19. juunil 2014 *[1. Patent Act, passed on 16 March 1994, as last amended on 19 June 2014]*	RT I 1994, 25, 406 RT I 1996, 49, 953 RT I 1998, 64/65, 1003 RT I 1998, 107, 1768 RT I 1999, 84, 764 RT I 2001, 27, 151 RT I 2001, 93, 565 RT I 2002, 53, 336 RT I 2003, 18, 106 RT I 2004, 20, 141 RT I 2005, 18, 104 RT I 2005, 39, 308 RT I 2005, 70, 540 RT I 2006, 58, 439 RT I 2007, 13, 69 RT I 2008, 59, 330 RT I 2009, 4, 24 RT I 2009, 62, 405 RT I 2010, 22, 108 RT I, 29.11.2011, 1 RT I, 28.12.2011, 1 RT I, 12.7.2014, 1 RT I, 29.6.2014, 109	Estonian Patent Office website at *www.epa.ee/en/legal-acts/acts* (English)	PA

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	2. Riigilõivuseadus, vastu võetud 10 detsembril 2014, viimati muudetud 7. detsembril 2016	RT I, 30.12.2014, 1 RT I, 30.6.2015, 4		
	[2. State Fees Act, passed on 10 December 2014, as last amended on 7 December 2016]		Estonian Patent Office website at *www.epa.ee/en/additional-info/fees* (English)	FA
	3. Euroopa patentide väljaandmise konventsiooni kohaldamise seadus, vastu võetud 17. aprillil 2002, viimati muudetud 19. juunil 2014	RT I 2002, 38, 233 RT I 2003, 88, 594 RT I 2004, 20, 141 RT I 2009, 4, 24 RT I, 28.12.2011, 1 RT I, 29.6.2014, 109		
	[3. Act on implementing the Convention on the Grant of European Patents, passed on 17 April 2002, as last amended on 19 June 2014]		Estonian Patent Office website at *www.epa.ee/en/legal-acts/acts* (English)	IA
	4. Patenditaotluse sisu- ja vorminõuded ning Patendiametile esitamise kord, Justiitsiministri 3. jaanuari 2012 määrus nr 2, viimati muudetud 7. jaanuaril 2015	RT I, 10.1.2012, 2 RT I, 13.1.2015, 1		
	[4. Requirements concerning the content and format of patent applications and the procedure for filing the same, Regulation No. 2 of the Minister of Justice of 3 January 2012, as last amended on 7 January 2015]		-	-
	5. Euroopa patentide väljaandmise konventsiooni kohaselt väljaantavate patentidega seotud riigilõivude Eesti Patendiameti kontole kandmise ja Euroopa patendi jõushoidmise riigilõivude Euroopa Patendiametile ülekandmise kord, Rahandusministri 11. juuli 2002. a määrus nr 89, viimati muudetud 22. detsembril 2011	RTL 2002, 84, 1295 RT I, 29.12.2011, 36		
	[5. Order concerning the procedure for paying into the account of the Estonian Patent Office fees relating to patents granted under the European Patent Convention and transferring to the European Patent Office renewal fees for European patents, Regulation No. 89 of the Minister of Finance of 11 July 2002, as last amended on 22 December 2011]		-	RFI

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	6. Euroopa patenditaotluse Eesti Patendiametile esitamise ja Euroopa Patendiametile edastamise, Euroopa patenditaotluse patendinõudluse ja patendikirjelduse tõlke esitamise ja avalikustamise ning Euroopa patenditaotluse siseriiklikuks patenditaotluseks ja kasuliku mudeli registreerimise taotluseks muutmise kord, Justiitsministri 3. jaanuari 2012. a määrus nr 3, viimati muudetud 28. mail 2013 *[6. Order concerning the procedure for filing European patent applications with the Estonian Patent Office, transmitting them to the European Patent Office, furnishing and publishing a translation of the claims of European patent applications and European patent specifications and converting European patent applications into national patent applications and utility model applications, Regulation No. 3 of the Minister of Justice of 3 January 2012, as last amended on 28 May 2013]*	RT I, 10.1.2012, 3 RT I, 31.5.2013, 2	- -	 REP
Finland	1. Patenttilaki 15.12.1967/550, muutettu viimeksi lailla nro 717/2016 - 25.8.2016 *[1. Patents Act No. 550/67 of 15 December 1967, as last amended by Act No. 717/2016 of 25 August 2016]*	SäädKok 550/1967 407/1980 387/1985 801/1991 577/1992 1034/1992 1409/1992 593/1994 717/1995 1695/1995 243/1997 650/2000 990/2004 896/2005 295/2006 684/2006 392/2010 954/2010 478/2011 743/2011 863/2011 101/2013 23/2016 (not yet in force) 717/2016	 PRH website at *www.prh.fi* (English)	 PA
	2. Patenttiasetus 26.9.1980/669, muutettu viimeksi asetuksella nro 580/2013 – 18.7.2013 *[2. Patents Decree No. 669/80 of 26 September 1980, as last amended by Decree No. 580/2013 of 18 July 2013]*	SäädKok 669/1980 505/1985 583/1992 71/1994 595/1994 104/1996 246/1997 674/2000 1200/2004 144/2006 1118/2007 603/2008 1097/2011 580/2013	 PRH website at *www.prh.fi* (English)	 PD

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	3. Laki maanpuolustukselle merkityksellisistä keksinnöistä 15.12.1967/551, muutettu viimeksi lailla nro 104/2013 – 31.1.2013	SäädKok 551/1967 795/1989 599/1995 1397/1995 1697/1995 245/1997 104/2013		
	[3. Act on inventions of importance to the defence of the country No. 551/67 of 15 December 1967, as last amended by Act No. 104/2013 of 31 January 2013]		-	Defence inventions
	4. Patenttimääräykset 1.12.2014	-		
	[4. Patent Office Regulations of 1 December 2014]		PRH website at *www.prh.fi* (English)	POR
	5. Työ- ja elinkeinoministeriön asetus Patentti- ja rekisterihallituksen maksullisista suoritteista 21.12.2017/938, muutettuna asetuksella 2.3.2018/165	SäädKok 938/2017 165/2018		
	[5. Decree No. 938 of 21 December 2017 of the Ministry of Employment and Economy on the fees chargeable by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office, as amended by Decree No. 165/2018 of 2 March 2018]		-	Fees Decr.
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	1. Закон за индустриска сопственоста̀ој се применува од 25 февруари 2009	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 47/2002, No. 42/2003, No. 9/2004, No. 39/2006, No. 79/2007, No. 21/2009, No. 24/2011, No. 12/2014, No. 41/2014, No. 152/2015, No. 53/2016, No. 83/2018		
	[1. Law on Industrial Property of 12 February 2009, applicable as from 25 February 2009]		WIPO website at *www.wipo.int/wipolex* MK008EN (English)	PL

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	2. Закон за административни такси	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 17/1993, No. 20/1996, No. 7/1998, No. 13/2001, No. 24/2003, No. 19/2004, No. 61/2004, No. 95/2005, No. 70/2006, No. 92/2007, No. 88/2008, No. 130/2008, No. 6/2010, No. 145/2010, No. 17/2011		
	[2. Law on administrative fees of 26 March 1993, as last amended on 11 February 2011]		-	Fees Law
	3. Правилник за признавање на патент	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 18/2004, No. 93/2006, No. 22/2009		
	[3. Patent Regulations of 23 March 2004, as last amended on 29 August 2006]		-	Reg.
	4. Закон за општа управна постапка	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 38/2005		
	[4. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP
France	1. Code de la propriété intellectuelle (partie législative)	*www.legifrance.gouv.fr*		
	[1. Intellectual Property Code (legislative part)]		IPLT FR 1-001 (English)	PL
	2. Code de la propriété intellectuelle (partie réglementaire)	*www.legifrance.gouv.fr*		
	[2. Intellectual Property Code (regulations)]		IPLT FR 1-002 (English)	Reg.
	3. Arrêté du 24 avril 2008 relatif aux redevances de procédures perçues par l'Institut national de la propriété industrielle	JORF du 26.4.2008 10.9.2008 13.6.2015		
	[3. Order of 24 April 2008 on the procedural fees of the "Institut national de la propriété industrielle", applicable as from 6 February 2009]		-	Fees Ord. of 24.4.08

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	4. Décision n° 2014-141 du 22 juin 2014 du directeur général de l'INPI relative aux modalités de dépôt des demandes de brevet d'invention et de certificat d'utilité et d'inscription au Registre national des brevets	*www.inpi.fr*		
	[4. Decision No. 2014-141 of the Director General of INPI of 22 June 2014 on the procedures for filing applications for patents for invention and utility certificates and for making entries in the national register of patents]		-	DG Dec. No. 2014-141
	5. Décision n° 2016-36 du 26 février 2016 relative aux modalités de paiement électronique des annuités de brevets	*www.inpi.fr*		
	[5. Decision No. 2016-36 of 26 February 2016 on the procedure for electronic payment of renewal fees]		-	DG Dec. No. 2016-36
	6. Décision n° 2015-73 du 9 juillet 2015 relative aux modalités de dépôt électronique via EPOLINE des demandes de brevet d'invention et de certificats d'utilité ainsi que des pièces complémentaires y afférentes	*www.inpi.fr*		
	[6. Decision No. 2015-73 of 9 July 2015 on the procedure for electronic filing via "epoline" of applications for patents and utility certificates and of additional and related documents]		-	-
	7. Décision n° 2015-74 du 9 juillet 2015 relative aux modalités de dépôt électronique via les E-PROCEDURES des demandes de brevets d'invention et de certificats d'utilité ainsi que des pièces complémentaires y afférentes	*www.inpi.fr*		
	[7. Decision No. 2015-74 of 9 July 2015 on the procedure for electronic filing via the "e-procedures" service of applications for patents and utility certificates and of additional and related documents]		-	-
Germany	1. Gesetz zu dem Übereinkommen vom 27. November 1963 zur Vereinheitlichung gewisser Begriffe des materiellen Rechts der Erfindungspatente, dem Vertrag vom 19. Juni 1970 über die internationale Zusammenarbeit auf dem Gebiet des Patentwesens und dem Übereinkommen vom 5. Oktober 1973 über die Erteilung europäischer Patente (Gesetz über internationale Patentübereinkommen) vom 21. Juni 1976, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 3 des Gesetzes vom 17. Juli 2017	*www.gesetze-im-internet.de* BGBl 1976 II 649; 1979 I 1269; 1986 I 1446; 1991 II 1354; 1993 I 366; 1998 I 1827; 2001 I 3656; 2003 I 2470; 2004 I 390; 2007 I 2166; 2008 I 1191; 2013 I 3830; 2015 I 1474; 2017 I 2541		
	[1. Law on the European Convention on the Unification of Certain Points of Substantive Law on Patents for Invention of 27 November 1963, the Patent Cooperation Treaty of 19 June 1970, and the Convention on the Grant of European Patents of 5 October 1973 (Law on International Patent Treaties) of 21 June 1976, as last amended by Article 3 of the Law of 17 July 2017]		IPLT DE 2-001 (English, French)	LIPC

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	2. Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent und zur Änderung patentrechtlicher Vorschriften (Gemeinschaftspatentgesetz) vom 26. Juli 1979, zuletzt geändert durch das Zweite Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent vom 20. Dezember 1991	BGBl 1979 I 1269; 1986 I 1446; 1991 II 1354		
	[2. Law concerning the Community patent and amending certain provisions of patent law (Community Patent Law) of 26 July 1979, as last amended by the Second Law on the Community Patent of 20 December 1991]		-	CPL
	3. Patentgesetz in der Fassung der Bekanntmachung vom 16. Dezember 1980, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 4 des Gesetzes vom 8. Oktober 2017	BGBl 1981 I 1; 1986 I 1446; 1986 I 2326; 1990 I 422; 1991 II 1354; 1992 I 727; 1993 I 366; 1994 I 2278; 1994 I 3082; 1996 I 1546; 1998 I 1827; 1998 I 2030; 1999 I 2598; 2001 I 1206; 2001 I 1887; 2001 I 3138; 2001 I 3656; 2002 I 2681; 2002 I 2850; 2004 I 390; 2004 I 718; 2004 I 3232; 2005 I 146; 2005 I 2570; 2006 I 1318; ber. 2006 I 2737; 2007 I 2166; 2007 I 2614; 2007 I 2840; 2007 I 2897; 2008 I 1191; 2008 I 2586; 2009 I 2521; 2011 I 2302; 2013 I 3786; 2013 I 3799; 2013 I 3830; 2015 I 1474; 2015 I 2092; 2015 I 2178; 2016 I 558; 2017 I 1121; 2017 I 2541; 2017 I 3346; 2017 I 3546		
	[3. Consolidated Patent Law as published on 16 December 1980, last amended by Article 4 of the Law of 8 October 2017]		*www.gesetze-im-internet.de/englisch_patg/index.html* (English)	PA

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	4. Gesetz über die Kosten des Deutschen Patent- und Markenamts und des Bundespatentgerichts (Patentkostengesetz) vom 13. Dezember 2001, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 13 des Gesetzes vom 4. April 2016	BGBl 2001 I 3656; 2002 I 2681; 2003 I 2470; 2004 I 390; 2004 I 718; 2004 I 3232; 2006 I 1318; ber. 2006 I 2737; 2007 I 2166; 2008 I 1191; 2009 I 2446; 2009 I 2521; 2013 I 3799; 2013 I 3830; 2015 I 1474 2016 I 558		
	[4. Law concerning the Costs of the German Patent and Trade Mark Office and of the Federal Patents Court (Patent Costs Law) of 13 December 2001, last amended by Article 13 of the Law of 4 April 2016]		excerpt, DPMA A9514.1 - *www.dpma.de/service/formulare_merkblaetter/formulare/index.html* (English)	LPF
	5. Gesetz zu der Vereinbarung vom 21. Dezember 1989 über Gemeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom 21. Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der Bedingungen für das Inkrafttreten der Vereinbarung über Gemeinschaftspatente sowie zur Änderung patentrechtlicher Vorschriften (Zweites Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent) vom 20. Dezember 1991, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 Abs. 4 des Gesetzes zur Modernisierung von Verfahren im patentanwaltlichen Berufsrecht vom 14. August 2009	BGBl 1991 II 1354; 2007 I 2166 i.V.m. 2009 I 2827		
	[5. Law on the Agreement relating to Community Patents of 21 December 1989 and concerning the Protocol on a possible modification of the conditions of entry into force of the Agreement relating to Community patents of 21 December 1989 and amending certain provisions of patent law (Second Law on the Community Patent) of 20 December 1991, last amended by Article 2(4) of the law of 14 August 2009 modernising procedures under the law governing the patent-agent profession]		-	2. CPL
	6. Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche europäischer Patentanmeldungen vom 18. Dezember 1978, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 1 der Verordnung vom 4. August 2011	BGBl 1978 II 1469; 1993 II 1989; 2011 II 738		
	[6. Regulation on the translations of the claims of European patent applications of 18 December 1978, amended by Article 1 of the Regulation of 4 August 2011]		-	Publ. Reg.

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	7. Verordnung über die Zahlung der Kosten des Deutschen Patent- und Markenamts und des Bundespatentgerichts (Patentkostenzahlungsverordnung - PatKostZV) vom 15. Oktober 2003, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 4 der Verordnung über den elektronischen Rechtsverkehr beim Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt und zur Änderung weiterer Verordnungen für das Deutsche Patent- und Markenamt vom 1. November 2013	BGBl 2003 I 2083; 2013 I 3906		
	[7. Ordinance on Payment of Costs charged by the German Patent and Trade Mark Office and of the Federal Patent Court (Patent Costs Payment Ordinance) of 15 October 2003, last amended by Article 4 of the Ordinance of 1 November 2013 on electronic legal dealings with the German Patent and Trade Mark Office and amending other ordinances relating to the German Patent and Trade Mark Office]		DPMA: 9511.1 (English), A 9511.2 (French)	Cost Ord.
	8. Verordnung zum Verfahren in Patentsachen vor dem Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt (Patentverordnung - PatV) vom 1. September 2003, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 3 der Verordnung vom 10. Dezember 2012	BGBl 2003 I 1702; 2004 I 897; 2004 I 3532; 2011 I 996; 2012 I 2630		
	[8. Ordinance on Patent Procedures before the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (Patent Ordinance) of 1 September 2003, last amended by Article 3 of the Ordinance of 10 December 2012]		DPMA: P 2790.1 (English), P 2790.2 (French)	PO
	9. Gesetz über die Erstreckung von gewerblichen Schutzrechten (Erstreckungsgesetz - ErstrG) vom 23. April 1992, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 14 Absatz 2 des Gesetzes vom 4. April 2016	BGBl 1992 I 938; 1994 II 1438; 1997 I 3224; 1998 I 1827; 2001 I 3656; 2004 I 390; 2016 I 558		
	[9. Law on the Extension of Industrial Property Rights (Extension Law) of 23 April 1992, as last amended by Article 14(2) of the Law of 4 April 2016]		IPLT DE 1-006 (English, French)	Ext. Law
	10. Verordnung über das Deutsche Patent- und Markenamt (DPMA-Verordnung – DPMAV) vom 1. April 2004, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 10 des Gesetzes vom 4. April 2016	BGBl 2004 I 514; 2006 I 2159; 2010 I 83; 2010 I 330; 2013 I 3799; 2013 I 3906; 2016 I 558		
	[10. Ordinance of 1 April 2004 on the German Patent and Trade Mark Office, as last amended by Article 10 of the Law of 4 April 2016]		-	DPMAV
	11. Verordnung über den elektronischen Rechtsverkehr beim Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt (ERVDPMAV) vom 1. November 2013, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 11 Absatz 32 des Gesetzes vom 18. Juli 2017	BGBl 2013 I 3906; 2014 I 18; 2015 I 1474; 2016 I 558; 2017 I 2745		
	[11. Ordinance of 1 November 2013 on electronic legal dealings with the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (OELDDPMA), as last amended by Article 11 paragraph 32 of the Law of 18 July 2017]		-	OELDDPMA

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Greece	1. Νόμος 1733/1987 "Μεταφορά τεχνολογίας εφευρέσεις, τεχνολογική καινοτομία και σύσταση Επιτροπής Ατομικής Ενέργειας" όπως τροποποιήθηκε από το άρθρο 18 του νόμου 1739/1987, το Προεδρικό Διάταγμα 54/1992 και το άρθρο 9 του νόμου 2359/1995	ΦΕΚ 171 A' 22.9.1987 201 A' 20.11.1987 22 A' 14.2.1992 241 A' 21.11.1995		
	[1. Law No. 1733/1987 on technology transfer, inventions, technological innovation and the establishment of a Nuclear Energy Commission, as amended by Article 18 of Law No. 1739/1987 and Presidential Decree No. 54/1992 and by Article 9 of Law No. 2359/1995]		Bl. f. PMZ 1988, 330 (German) IPLT GR 1-001 (English, French)	Law No. 1733/87
	2. Νόμος 4325/1963 περί εφευρέσεων αφορωσών την εθνικήν άμυναν της χώρας και τροποποιήσεως του Ν. 2527/1920 "περί διπλωμάτων ευρεσιτεχνίας"	ΦΕΚ 156 A' 27.9.1963		
	[2. Law No. 4325/1963 on inventions relating to national defence and amending Law No. 2527/1920 on patents]		-	Law No. 4325/63
	3. Νόμος 1607/1986 "Κύρωση της σύμβασης για την χορήγηση Ευρωπαϊκών διπλωμάτων ευρεσιτεχνίας, που υπογράφηκε στο Μόναχο στις 5 Οκτωβρίου1973"	ΦΕΚ 85 A' 30.6.1986		
	[3. Law No. 1607/1986 on the ratification of the Convention on the Grant of European Patents, done at Munich on 5 October 1973]		-	Law No. 1607/86
	4. Νόμος 3396 "Κύρωση της Πράξης Αναθεώρησης της Σύμβασης για την χορήγηση των Ευρωπαϊκών διπλωμάτων ευρεσιτεχνίας (Σύμβαση για το Ευρωπαϊκό δίπλωμα ευρεσιτεχνίας της 5ης Οκτωβρίου 1973, η οποία τροποποιήθηκε στις 17 Δεκεμβρίου 1991) της 29ης Νοεμβρίου 2000"	ΦΕΚ 246 A' 6.10.2005		
	[4. Law No. 3396 on the ratification of the Revision Act of the Convention on the Grant of European Patents (European Patent Convention of 5 October 1973, as amended on 17 December 1991) of 29 November 2000]		-	-
	5. Νόμος 3966 "Εναρμόνιση εθνικού δικαίου με την οδηγία 2004/48/ΕΚ του Ευρωπαϊκού Κοινοβουλίου και του Συμβουλίου της 29ης Απριλίου 2004 σχετικά με την επιβολή δικαιωμάτων διανοητικής ιδιοκτησίας, άρθρο. 53"	ΦΕΚ 118 A' 24.5.2011		
	[5. Law No. 3966, bringing national legislation into line with the Directive 2004/48/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 29 April 2004 on the enforcement of intellectual property rights, Article 53]		-	-
	6. Προεδρικό Διάταγμα 77/1988 σχετικά με τις διατάξεις εφαρμογής της σύμβασης για τη χορήγηση Ευρωπαϊκών διπλωμάτων ευρεσιτεχνίας, όπως τροποποιήθηκε με το Προεδρικό διάταγμα 46/2012	ΦΕΚ 33 A' 25.2.1988 246 A' 95 A' 23.4.2012		
	[6. Presidential Decree No. 77/1988 on provisions for implementing the Convention on the Grant of European Patents, as last amended by Presidential Decree No. 46/2012]		Bl. f. PMZ 1988, 338 (German)	Pres. Decr. No. 77/88

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	7. Προεδρικό διάταγμα 321/2001 σχετικά με την προσαρμογή στην Οδηγία 98/44/ΕΚ του Ευρωπαϊκού Κοινοβουλίου και του Συμβουλίου για την έννομη προστασία των βιοτεχνολογικών εφευρέσεων	ΦΕΚ 218 Α' 1.10.2001		
	[7. Presidential Decree No. 321/2001 adopting Directive 98/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the legal protection of biotechnological inventions]		-	-
	8. Υπουργική απόφαση 15928/ΕΦΑ/1253 σχετικά με την κατάθεση αίτησης για χορήγηση διπλώματος ευρεσιτεχνίας ή πιστοποιητικού υποδείγματος χρησιμότητας στον Ο.Β.Ι και τήρηση βιβλίων. Τροποποιήθηκε με την Υπουργική απόφαση αριθ. 3111/ΕΦΑ/433	ΦΕΚ 778 Β' 31.12.1987 309 Β' 27.3.1998		
	[8. Ministerial Decision No. 15928/EFA/1253 on the filing of applications for patents or utility models with OBI and on keeping registers, as last amended by Ministerial Decision No. 3111/EFA/433]		-	Min. Dec. No. 3111/EFA/433
	9. Υπουργική απόφαση 30560/544/1997 "Κατάθεση αίτησης στον ΟΒΙ για χορήγηση συμπληρωματικού πιστοποιητικού προστασίας για τα φυτοπροστατευτικά προϊόντα"	ΦΕΚ 665 Β' 7.8.1997		
	[9. Ministerial decision No. 30560/544/1997 on the filing of applications with the OBI for a supplementary protection certificate in respect of plant protection products]		-	-
	10. Υπουργική απόφαση 14905/ΕΦΑ/3058/1997 "Κατάθεση αίτησης στον Ο.Β.Ι. για χορήγηση συμπληρωματικού πιστοποιητικού προστασίας για τα φάρμακα"	ΦΕΚ 1162 Β' 30.12.1997		
	[10. Ministerial Decision No. 14905/EFA/3058/1997 on the filing of applications with the OBI for a supplementary protection certificate in respect of medicinal products]		-	-
	11. Υπουργική απόφαση 11475/ΕΦΑ/2388 σχετικά με την διαδικασία κατάθεσης αίτησης στον Ο.Β.Ι. για εξάμηνη παράταση της διάρκειας ισχύος του συμπληρωματικού πιστοποιητικού προστασίας για παιδιατρικά φάρμακα	ΦΕΚ 1165 Β' 25.6.2008		
	[11. Ministerial Decision No. 11475/EFA/2388 on the filing of applications with the OBI for the six-month extension of the supplementary protection certificate in respect of paediatric medicinal products]		-	-
	12. Υπουργική απόφαση 10374/2009 "Διαδικασία κατάρτισης της έκθεσης έρευνας ή της τελικής έκθεσης έρευνας"	ΦΕΚ 1594 Β' 4.8.2009		
	[12. Ministerial decision No. 10374/2009 on the procedure for the drawing up of the search report or the final search report by the OBI]		-	-
	13. Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 03/2012 της 10ης Φεβρουαρίου 2012 σχετικά με τη μεταβολή του τρόπου υπολογισμού των τελών προέρευνας στον Ο.Β.Ι.	ΕΔΒΙ 1/2012, Τεύχος Α'		
	[13. Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial Property Organisation 03/2012 of 10 February 2012 concerning a change in the method of calculating the fee for searches on behalf of third parties]		-	Dec. of 10.2.2012

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	14. Νόμος 4144/2013, άρθρο 79 "Ρύθμιση θεμάτων Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας"	ΦΕΚ 88 Β' 18.4.2013		
	[14. Law 4144/2013 Article 79 *"Regulatory issues of the Hellenic Industrial Property Organisation (OBI)"]*		-	-
	15. Υπουργική απόφαση 12625/1/2014 Ηλεκτρονική διακίνηση εγγράφων από και προς τον Οργανισμό Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας (OBI) και ηλεκτρονική κατάθεση αίτησης καταχώρισης σχεδίου ή υποδείγματος	ΦΕΚ 3258 Β' 4.12.2014		
	[15. Ministerial decision No. 12625/1/2014 "Electronic distribution of documents to and from the Hellenic Industrial Property Organisation (OBI) and electronic filing of industrial design or model registration"]		-	-
	16. Νόμος 2943/2001 (άρθρα 6-11) Κεφάλαιο 3ο "Τμήματα Κοινοτικών Σημάτων"	ΦΕΚ 203 Α' 12.9.2001		
	[16. Law 2943/2001 (Articles 6-11) Chapter 3 "Community Trade Marks Chambers"]		-	-
	17. Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 13/Α01/2016 της 31ης Αυγούστου 2016 σχετικά με τη μεταβολή του τέλους της έκθεσης έρευνας με αιτιολογημένη γνώμη, με αναδρομική ισχύ από 1.1.2016	ΕΔΒΙ 8/2016 Τεύχος Α'		
	[17. Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial Property Organisation 13/A01/2016 of 31 August 2016 concerning a change in the fee for the enhanced search report with written opinion, valid from 1.1.2016]		-	-
	18. Νόμος 4512/2018, άρθρα 123 και 124 "Ρύθμιση θεμάτων ργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας"	ΦΕΚ 5 Α' 17.01.2018		
	[18. Law 4512/2018 Articles 123 and 124 "Regulatory issues of the Hellenic Industrial Property Organisation (OBI)"]		-	Law No. 4512/2018
Hungary	1. 1995. évi XXXIII. törvény a találmányok szabadalmi oltalmáról	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 1995/35 (V.5.)		
	[1. Act XXXIII of 1995 on the protection of inventions by patents, as last amended by Act XCIX of 2014]		Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) website at *www.hipo.gov.hu/sites/default/files/patent_act_xxxiii_1995_en_20150301.pdf* (English)	PA

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	2. 2007. évi CXXX. törvény az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegének kihirdetéséről	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 2007/157 (XI.20.)		
	[2. Act CXXX of 2007 on the promulgation of the European Patent Convention as revised in 2000]		-	PromEPC
	3. 319/2007 (XII.5.) Korm. rendelet az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegéhez kapcsolódó Végrehajtási Szabályzat kihirdetéséről 43/2010 (II.26.) Korm. rendelet az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegéhez kapcsolódó Végrehajtási Szabályzat 2009.március 25-én, az Európai Szabadalmi Szervezet Igazgatótanácsának CA/D 2/09. számú határozatával megállapított módosításának kihirdetéséről 44/2010 (II.26.) Korm. rendelet az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegéhez kapcsolódó Végrehajtási Szabályzat 2009. március 25-én, az Európai Szabadalmi Szervezet Igazgatótanácsának CA/D 3/09. számú határozatával megállapított módosításának kihirdetéséről 45/2010 (II.26.) Korm. rendelet az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegéhez kapcsolódó Végrehajtási Szabályzat 2009. október 27-én, az Európai Szabadalmi Szervezet Igazgatótanácsának CA/D 20/09. számú határozatával megállapított módosításának kihirdetéséről 46/2010 (II.26.) Korm. rendelet az Európai Szabadalmi Egyezmény 2000-ben felülvizsgált szövegéhez kapcsolódó Végrehajtási Szabályzat 2009. október 28-án, az Európai Szabadalmi Szervezet Igazgatótanácsának CA/D 18/09. számú határozatával megállapított módosításának kihirdetéséről	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 2007/168 (XII.5.), 2010/28 (II.26.)		
	[3.Government Decree No. 319/2007 (XII.5.) on the promulgation of the Implementing Regulations to the European Patent Convention as revised in 2000 *Government Decree No. 43/2010 (II.26.) publishing an amendment, adopted on 25 March 2009 by decision CA/D 2/09 of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation, to the Implementing Regulations to the EPC 2000* *Government Decree No. 44/2010 (II.26.) publishing an amendment, adopted on 25 March 2009 by decision CA/D 3/09 of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation, to the Implementing Regulations to the EPC 2000* *Government Decree No. 45/2010 (II.26.) publishing an amendment, adopted on 27 October 2009 by decision CA/D 20/09 of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation, to the Implementing Regulations to the EPC 2000* *Government Decree No. 46/2010 (II.26.) publishing an amendment, adopted on 28 October 2009 by decision CA/D 18/09 of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation, to the Implementing Regulations to the EPC 2000]*		-	-

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	4. 20/2002. (XII.12.) IM rendelet a szabadalmi bejelentés, az európai szabadalmi bejelentésekkel és az európai szabadalmakkal, illetve a nemzetközi szabadalmi bejelentésekkel összefüggő beadványok, valamint a növényfajta-oltalmi bejelentés részletes alaki szabályairól	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 2002/154 (XII.12.), 2008/71 (V.8.), 2010/199 (XII.28.), 2011/35 (XII.22.), 2012/76 (VI.25.)		
	[4. Decree No. 20/2002 (XII.12.) of the Minister of Justice on the detailed formalities of patent applications, plant varieties applications, documents filed in relation to European patent applications, European patents and international patent applications, as last amended by Decree No. 30/2012 (VI.25.) of the Minister of Public Administration and Justice]		-	PForm
	5. 19/2005. (IV.12.) GKM rendelet a Magyar Szabadalmi Hivatal előtti iparjogvédelmi eljárások igazgatási szolgáltatási díjairól	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 2005/47 (IV.12.), 2008/71 (V.8.), 2009/75 (VI.3.), 2010/199 (XII.28.), 2011/157 (XII.22.)		
	[5. Decree No. 19/2005 (IV.12.) of the Minister of Economy and Transport on the fees for administrative services in industrial property procedures before the Hungarian Patent Office, as last amended by Decree No. 35/2011 (XII.22.) of the Minister of Public Administration and Justice]		HIPO website at *www.hipo.gov.hu/en/English/jogforras/19_2005_GKM_Fees.pdf* (English)	FeeDecr

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Iceland	1. Lög um einkaleyfi nr. 17/1991, síðast breytt með lögum nr. 40/2018	Stjórnartíðindi A-deild 17/1991 92/1991 67/1993 36/1996 91/1996 132/1997 82/1998 28/2002 72/2003 22/2004 53/2004 54/2004 12/2005 127/2005 108/2006 167/2007 98/2009 25/2011 126/2011 40/2018		
	[1. Patents Act No. 17/1991, last amended by Act No. 40/2018]		Icelandic Patent Office website at *www.els.is* (English)	PA
	2. Reglugerð um einkaleyfi nr. 477/2012	Stjórnartíðindi B-deild 477/2012		
	[2. Patent Regulation No. 477/2012]		Icelandic Patent Office website at *www.els.is* (English)	PR
	3. Reglugerð um gjöld fyrir einkaleyfi, vörumerki, hönnun o.fl., nr. 818/2016	Stjórnartíðindi B-deild 818/2016		
	[3. Regulation concerning fees for patents, trademarks, design, etc. No. 818/2016]		Icelandic Patent Office website at *www.els.is* (English)	Fees Reg.
Ireland	1. Patents Act 1992 Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 Patents (Amendment) Act 2012 Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 Knowledge Development Box (Certification of Inventions) Act 2017	S.I. No. 1 of 1992 S.I. No. 31 of 2006 S.I. No. 1 of 2012 S.I. No. 36 of 2014 S.I. No. 6 of 2017	LTPI IE 2-001 (French) Bl.f.PMZ 1998, 99, 165 (German)	PA

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	2. Patents Rules 1992 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2006 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2008 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2009 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2011 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2012 Patents (Amendment) Rules 2017	S.I. No. 179 of 1992 S.I. No. 142 of 2006 S.I. No. 71 of 2008 S.I. No. 194 of 2009 S.I. No. 79 of 2011 S.I. No. 334 of 2012 S.I. No. 206 of 2017	-	PR
	3. Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992 Register of Patent Agent Rules 2015	S.I. No. 180 of 1992 S.I.No. 580 of 2015	-	-
	4. Patents Act 1992 (Commencement) Order 1992 Patents (Amendment) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2012 Knowledge Development Box (Certification of Inventions) Act 2017 (Commencement) Order 2017	S.I. No. 181 of 1992 S.I. No. 329 of 2012 S.I. No. 204 of 2017	-	-
	5. The European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) Regulations 1993	S.I. No. 125 of 1993	-	-
	6. Patents (International Arrangements) Order 1996	S.I. No. 38 of 1996	-	-
	7. European Communities (Legal Protection of Biotechnological Inventions) Regulations 2000	S.I. No. 247 of 2000	-	-
	8. Patents, Trade Marks, Copyright and Designs (Fees) Rules 2001 Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2008 Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2012 Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 2012 Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2017	S.I. No. 482 of 2001 S.I. No. 72 of 2008 S.I. No. 30 of 2012 S.I. No. 335 of 2012 S.I. No. 205 of 2017	-	Fees Rules
	9. European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) (Amendment) Regulations 2001	S.I. No. 648 of 2001	-	-
	10. European Communities (Limitation of Effect of Patent) Regulations 2006	S.I. No. 50 of 2006	-	-
	11. European Communities (Patent Agents) Regulations 2006 European Communities (Patent Agents) Regulations 2015	S.I. No. 141 of 2006 S.I. No. 579 of 2015	-	SI No. 141 of 2006
	12. Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Certain Provisions) (Commencement) Order 2007	S.I. No. 761 of 2007	-	-
	13. European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) Regulations 2008	S.I. No. 307 of 2008	-	-

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	14. European Communities (Compulsory Licensing of Patents Relating to the Manufacture of Pharmaceutical Products for Export to Countries with Public Health Problems) Regulations 2008	S.I. No. 408 of 2008	-	-
	15. Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Certain Provisions) (Commencement) Order 2009	S.I. No. 196 of 2009	-	-
	16. Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Section 41) (Commencement) Order 2010	S.I. No. 432 of 2010	-	-
Italy	1. Legge n. 260 del 26 maggio 1978 Ratifica ed esecuzione di atti internazionali in materia di brevetti, firmati, rispettivamente, a Strasburgo il 27 novembre 1963, a Washington il 19 giugno 1970, a Monaco il 5 ottobre 1973 ed a Lussemburgo il 15 dicembre 1975	Suppl. ord. alla G.U. N. 156 del 7.6.1978		
	[1. Law No. 260 of 26 May 1978 *Ratification and implementation of international patent acts signed in Strasbourg on 27 November 1963, in Washington on 19 June 1970, in Munich on 5 October 1973 and in Luxembourg on 15 December 1975 respectively]*		-	-
	2. Codice della Proprieta' Industriale - Decreto Legislativo 10 febbraio 2005 n. 30	Suppl. ord. alla G.U. N. 52 del 4.3.2005		
	[2. Legislative Decree No. 30 of 10 February 2005 - Code of Industrial Property]		Bl.f.PMZ 2007, 17, 67, 131, 170 (German)	PL
	3. Legge n. 296 del 27 dicembre 2006 - Legge Finanziaria 2007	G.U. N. 299 del 27.12.2006 Suppl. ord. alla G.U. N. 244		
	[3. Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006 - Annual Budget Law 2007]		-	Fees Law
	4. Decreto Ministeriale del 2 aprile 2007 Determinazione dei diritti sui brevetti e modelli in attuazione del comma 851 dell'Art. 1 della Legge n. 296 del 27 dicembre 2006	G.U. N. 81 del 6.4.2007		
	[4. Ministerial decree of 2 April 2007 *Fixing of fees for patents and models in accordance with Art. 1 of Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006]*		-	Min. Decr. of 2.4.2007
	5. Legge n. 224 del 29 novembre 2007 Ratifica ed esecuzione dell'atto recante la revisione della convenzione sul rilascio del brevetto europeo della CBE Monaco 29 novembre 2000	Suppl. ord. alla G.U. N. 281 del 3.12.2007		
	[5. Law No. 224 of 29 November 2007 ratifying and implementing the Act revising the European Patent Convention, Munich, 29 November 2000]		-	-

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	6. Decreto Ministeriale del 27 giugno 2008 Accordo tra l'Ufficio italiano brevetti e marchi e l'organizzazione europea dei brevetti sulle modalita' di svolgimento delle ricerche di anteriorita' e la redazione dei rapporti di ricerca, firmato il 18 giugno 2008	G.U. N. 153 del 2.7.2008		
	[6. Ministerial Decree of 27 June 2008 *Agreement between the Italian Patent and Trademark Office and EPO, signed on 18 June 2008, fixing the carrying out of searches on prior art and issue of search reports for Italian patent applications]*		-	-
	7. Decreto Ministeriale n. 33 del 13 gennaio 2010 Regolamento di attuazione del Codice Proprieta' Industriale adottato con Decreto Legislativo del 10 febbraio 2005 n. 30	G.U. N. 56 del 9.3.2010		
	[7. Ministerial Decree No. 33 of 13 January 2010 *Implementing Regulations to the Code of Industrial Property, adopted by Legislative Decree No. 30 of 10 February 2005]*		-	Min. Decr. No. 33
	8. Circolare istruzioni operative del Ministero dell'economia e delle finanze del 5 febbraio 2010 Modifica delle coordinate dei conti di corrispondenza da utilizzare per gli incassi dall'estero a favore delle Pubbliche Amministrazioni, in euro dai paesi che non hanno adottato la moneta unica e in valuta diversa dall'euro	*www.dt.tesoro.it/it/attivita_istituzionali/pagamenti_da_e_per_estero/*		
	[8. Circular on Operational Instructions of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of 5 February 2010 *Change to the correspondent account details to be used for foreign payments to Public Administrations, in euros from countries that have not adopted the single currency, and in currency other than euros]*		-	Circ. of 5.2.2010
	9. Decreto Legislativo del 13 agosto 2010 n. 131 Modifiche al Codice Proprieta' industriale n. 30	Suppl. ord. N. 195/L alla G.U. del 18.8.2010		
	[9. Legislative Decree No. 131 of 13 August 2010 *Modifications to the Legislative Decree No. 30 – Code of Industrial Property]*		-	-
	10. Provvedimento dell'Agenzia delle Entrate del 20 novembre 2014 Estensione delle modalita' di versamento, mediante modello "F24" ed "F24 Enti pubblici" dei diritti relativi ai titoli di proprieta' industriale e delle tasse sulle concessioni governative sui marchi	G.U. N. 281 del 3.12.2014		
	[10. Provision of the Agenzia delle Entrate (Italian Revenue Agency) of 20 November 2014 *Extension of the methods of payment, via Forms "F24" and "F24 Public Authorities", of fees relating to industrial property rights and taxes on government concessions on trade marks]*		-	Prov. of 20.11.2014

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	11. Decreto Ministeriale del 26 gennaio 2015 Criteri e modalita' per il deposito telematico dei titoli della proprieta' industriale *[11. Ministerial Decree of 26 January 2015* *Criteria and methods for online filing of industrial property rights]*	G.U. N. 24 del 30.1.2015	-	Min. Decr. of 26.1.2015
Latvia	1. 2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2015. gada 19. novembra grozījumiem *[1. Patent Law adopted on 15 February 2007, as amended on 19 November 2015]*	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 34(3610), 27.2.2007 No. 240 (5558), 8.12.2015	*https://likumi.lv/doc.php?id=153574* (English) Bl.f.PMZ 2010, 7 (German)	PL
	2. 2008. gada 1. aprīļa Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 224 Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi ar 2015. gada 22. decembra grozījumiem *[2. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 224 of 1 April 2008 Regulations on patents and patent applications, as amended on 22 December 2015]*	Vēstnesis No. 53, 4.4.2008	-	PR
	3. 2015. gada 15. decembra Ministru Kabineta noteikumi Nr. 723 Patentu valdes sniegto maksas pakalpojumu cenrādis *[3. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office]*	Vēstnesis No. 248 (5566), 18.12.2015	-	Fees Reg.
	4. 2015. gada 18. jūnija Rūpnieciskā īpašuma institūciju un procedūru likums, stājas spēkā 2016. gada 1. janvārī *[4. Law on Industrial Property Institutions and Procedures of 18 June 2015, entered into force on 1 January 2016]*	Vēstnesis No. 127 (5445), 2.7.2015	-	IPL
Liechtenstein*	1. Vertrag zwischen der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft und dem Fürstentum Liechtenstein über den Schutz der Erfindungspatente vom 22. Dezember 1978 (Patentschutzvertrag) *[1. Treaty between the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein on Patent Protection (Patent Treaty) of 22 December 1978]*	LGBl. 1980 Nr. 31	OJ EPO 1980, 407 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
	2. Ausführungsvereinbarung zum schweizerisch-liechtensteinischen Patentschutzvertrag vom 10. Dezember 1979 *[2. Implementing Agreement to the Treaty between Switzerland and Liechtenstein in respect of patents of 10 December 1979]*	LGBl. 1980 Nr. 32	OJ EPO 1980, 407 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	-

* For other legal provisions applicable to Liechtenstein, see Switzerland Nos. 1-4

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	3. Gesetz vom 26. September 1979 zum Vertrag zwischen dem Fürstentum Liechtenstein und der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft über den Schutz der Erfindungspatente	LGBl. 1980 Nr. 33		
	[3. Law of 26 September 1979 on the Treaty between the Principality of Liechtenstein and the Swiss Confederation on Patent Protection]		-	-
Lithuania	1. Lietuvos Respublikos patentų įstatymas Nr. XI-1261 (2010 12 23), pakeistas įstatymu Nr. XIII-548 (2017 06 29)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras (Register of Legal Acts of the Republic of Lithuania)		
	[1. Patent law of the Republic of Lithuania No. XI-1261 of 23 December 2010, as last amended by Law No. XIII-548 of 29 June 2017]		-	PL
	2. Mokesčių už pramoninės nuosavybės objektų registravimą įstatymas Nr. IX-352 (2001 06 05), pakeistas įstatymu Nr. XIII-550 (2017 06 29)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[2. Law on fees for the registration of industrial property objects of 5 June 2001 No. IX-352, as amended by Law No. XIII-550 of 29 June 2017]		-	Fees Law
	3. Lietuvos Respublikos Vyriausybės 2014 m. rugsėjo 24 d. nutarimas Nr. 1015 "Dėl įgaliojimų suteikimo įgyvendinant Lietuvos Respublikos patentų įstatymo 49 straipsnį"	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[3. Order of the Government of the Republic of Lithuania No. 1015 of 24 September 2014 concerning the authority to implement Article 49 of the Patent Law]		-	-
	4. Valstybinio patentų biuro direktoriaus 2001 m. gruodžio 27 d. įsakymas Nr. 118 "Dėl papildomos apsaugos liudijimų išdavimo", pakeistas įsakymu Nr. 3R-20 (2016 03 31)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[4. Order of the Director of the State Patent Bureau No. 118 of 27 December 2001 on the grant of supplementary protection certificates, amended by Order No. 3R-20 of 31 March 2016]		-	-
	5. Valstybinio patentų biuro direktoriaus 2006 m. balandžio 24 d. įsakymas Nr. 3R-29 "Dėl Europos patentų paraiškų padavimo ir Europos patentų galiojimo Lietuvos Respublikoje (išplėtimo į Lietuvos Respubliką) tvarkos aprašo patvirtinimo", pakeistas įsakymu Nr. 3R-36 (2017 06 26)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[5. Order of the Director of the State Patent Bureau No. 3R-29 of 24 April 2006 on the filing of European patent applications and the effects of European patents in the Republic of Lithuania, amended by Order No. 3R-36 of 26 June 2017]		-	-

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Luxembourg	1. Loi du 27 mai 1977 portant a) approbation de la Convention sur la délivrance de brevets européens, signée à Munich, le 5 octobre 1973 ; b) adaptation de la législation nationale en matière de brevets, telle que modifiée par la Loi du 20 juillet 1992 (voir 3.)	Mémorial A 1977, 872		
	[1. Law of 27 May 1977, (a) approving the Convention on the Grant of European Patents signed at Munich on 5 October 1973, (b) amending the national legislation on patents as amended by Law of 20 July 1992 (see 3.)]		Bl.f.PMZ 1978, 334 (German) IPLT LU 2-003 (English)	Law of 27.5.77
	2. Règlement grand-ducal du 9 mai 1978 pris en exécution de la Loi du 27 mai 1977 portant a) approbation de la Convention sur la délivrance de brevets européens, signée à Munich le 5 octobre 1973 ; b) adaptation de la législation nationale en matière de brevets	Mémorial A 1978, 528		
	[2. Grand-Ducal Regulation of 9 May 1978 implementing the Law of 27 May 1977, (a) approving the Convention on the Grant of European Patents, signed at Munich on 5 October 1973, (b) amending the national legislation on patents]		-	Reg. of 9.5.78
	3. Loi du 20 juillet 1992 portant modification du régime des brevets d'invention, telle que modifiée par la Loi du 24 mai 1998, Loi du 11 août 2001, Loi du 7 avril 2006, Loi du 25 avril 2008 et la Loi du 22 mai 2009	Mémorial A N° 49/1992, 1592; N° 45/1998, 685; N° 106/2001, 2175 N° 68/2006, 1326; N° 54/2008, 758; N° 117/2009, 1684		
	[3. Law of 20 July 1992 amending the provisions relating to patents, as amended by Law of 24 May 1998, by Law of 11 August 2001, by Law of 7 April 2006, by Law of 25 April 2008 and by Law of 22 May 2009]		Bl.f.PMZ 1998, 292 (German) IPLT LU 2-005 (English)	PL
	4. Règlement grand-ducal du 17 novembre 1997 concernant la procédure et les formalités administratives en matière de brevets d'invention	Mémorial A N° 96/1997, 2946		
	[4. Grand-Ducal Patents Decree (implementing procedures) of 17 November 1997 on the procedure and administrative formalities relating to patents of invention]		-	Decr.
	5. Règlement grand-ducal du 17 novembre 1997 portant fixation des taxes et rémunérations à percevoir en matière de brevets d'invention, tel que modifié par le Règlement grand-ducal du 30 décembre 2010	Mémorial A N° 96/1997, 2956; N° 75/2004, 1108; N° 252/2010, 4601		
	[5. Grand-Ducal Decree of 17 November 1997 on the fixing of fees and costs relating to patents of invention, as amended by Grand-Ducal Decree of 30 December 2010]		-	Fees Reg.

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	6. Loi du 8 juillet 1967 concernant la divulgation et la mise en œuvre des inventions et des secrets de fabrique intéressant la défense du territoire ou la sûreté de l'État	Mémorial A 1967, 796		
	[6. Law of 8 July 1967 on the disclosure and use of inventions and trade secrets affecting national defence or the security of the State]		-	Law of 8.7.67
	7. Règlement grand-ducal du 18 septembre 1969 pris en exécution de l'article 4, alinéa final, de la Loi du 8 juillet 1967 concernant la divulgation et la mise en œuvre des inventions et des secrets de fabrique intéressant la défense du territoire ou la sûreté de l'État	Mémorial A 1969, 1234		
	[7. Grand-Ducal Regulation of 18 September 1969 implementing Article 4, final paragraph, of the Law of 8 July 1967 on the disclosure and use of inventions and trade secrets affecting national defence or the security of the State]		-	Reg. of 18.9.69
	8. Règlement grand-ducal du 12 juin 1975 concernant le recouvrement des frais de publication au Mémorial, Recueil administratif et économique	Mémorial A 1975, 723		
	[8. Grand-Ducal Regulation of 12 June 1975 on the recovery of the cost of publications in the "Mémorial, Recueil administratif et économique"]		-	Reg. of 12.6.75
Malta	1. ATT DWAR IL-PRIVATTIVI INDUSTRIJALI U D-DISINNI Sabiex jipprovdi dwar ir-reġistrazzjoni u r-regolamentazzjoni ta' privattivi industrijali u disinni. 1 ta' Ġunju, 2002 L-ATT XVII ta' l-2000, kif emendat bl-Atti IX ta' l-2003 u XVIII ta' l-2005; u bl-Avviżi Legali 181 u 186 ta' l-2006, u 426 ta' l-2007	Government Gazette of Malta No. 16 967 11.7.2000		
	[1. PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACT *To make provision for the registration and regulation of patents and designs.* *1 June 2002* *ACT XVII of 2000, as amended by Acts IX of 2003 and XVIII of 2005, and Legal Notices 181 and 186 of 2006, and 426 of 2007]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 16 967 11.7.2000 (English)	PA 2000
	2. ATT Nru. XVIII ta' l-2005 Att biex jemenda l-Att dwar il-Privattivi Industrijali u d-DisinniKap. 417	Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 853 16.12.2005		
	[2. ACT No. XVIII of 2005 *Patents and Designs (Amendment) Act 2005]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 853 16.12.2005 (English)	Act XVIII 2005

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	3. A.L.117 ta' l -2002 Regolamenti ta' l-2002 dwar il-Privattivi	Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 241 24.5.2002		
	[3. Legal Notice No. 117 of 2002 *Patents Regulations 2002]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 241 24.5.2002 (English)	L.N. 117/2002
	4. A.L 260 ta l -2002 Regolamenti ta' l-2002 dwar il-Privattivi (Prodotti ta' Protezzjoni għall-Pjanti)	Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002		
	[4. Legal Notice No. 260 of 2002 *Patents (Plant Protection Products) Regulations 2002]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002 (English)	L.N. 260/2002
	5. A.L. 261 ta l- 2002 Regolamenti ta' l-2002 dwar il-Privattivi (Prodotti Mediċinali)	Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002		
	[5. L.N. No. 261 of 2002 *Patents (Medicinal Products) Regulations 2002]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002 (English)	L.N. 261/2002
	6. A.L. 98 ta' l-2007 Regolamenti ta' l-2007 dwar it-Trattat ta' Kooperazzjoni dwar il-Privattivi	Government Gazette of Malta No. 18 064 13.4.2007		
	[6. L.N. No. 98 of 2007 *Patent Cooperation Treaty Regulations 2007]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 18 064 13.4.2007 (English)	L.N. 98/2007
	7. A.L. 99 ta' l-2007 Regolamenti ta' l-2007 dwar il-Konvenzjoni Ewropeja dwar il-Privattivi	Government Gazette of Malta No. 18 064 13.4.2007		
	[7. L.N. No. 99 of 2007 *European Patent Convention Regulations 2007]*		Government Gazette of Malta No. 18 064 13.4.2007 (English)	L.N. 99/2007
Monaco	1. Loi n° 606 du 20 juin 1955 sur les brevets d'invention, modifiée par la Loi n° 625 du 5 novembre 1956	J. M. du 27.6.55 et du 19.11.56		
	[1. Law No. 606 of 20 June 1955 on Patents of Invention, as amended by Law No. 625 of 5 November 1956]		-	PA

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	2. Ordonnance souveraine n° 1.476 du 30 janvier 1957, modifiée par les Ordonnances souveraines n° 6.337 du 5 avril 2017 et n° 6.874 du 29 mars 2018	J. M. du 4.2.57 du 7.4.17 et du 6.4.18		
	[2. Sovereign Ordinance No. 1.476 of 30 January 1957, amended by Sovereign Ordinances No. 6.337 of 5 April 2017 and No. 6.874 of 29 March 2018]		-	SO No. 1.476
	3. Ordonnance souveraine n° 6.722 du 26 décembre 2017 fixant le montant des droits applicables à l'occasion de l'accomplissement des formalités administratives en matière de propriété industrielle	J. M. du 29.12.17		
	[3. Sovereign Ordinance No. 6.722 of 26 December 2017 fixing the fees payable for administrative formalities relating to industrial property]		-	SO (Fees)
	4. Ordonnance souveraine n° 10.427 du 9 janvier 1992 concernant le brevet européen, modifiée par l'Ordonnance souveraine n° 6.874 du 29 mars 2018	J. M. du 17.1.92 et du 6.4.18		
	[4. Sovereign Ordinance No. 10.427 of 9 January 1992 concerning European patents, amended by Sovereign Ordinance No. 6.874 of 29 March 2018]		-	SO No. 10.427
	5. Arrêté ministériel n° 93-553 du 21 octobre 1993 concernant les modalités de délivrance du brevet européen, modifié par l'Ordonnance souveraine n° 6.874 du 29 mars 2018	J. M. du 22.10.93 et du 6.4.18		
	[5. Ministerial Decree No. 93-553 of 21 October 1993 concerning arrangements for the grant of European patents, amended by Sovereign Ordinance No. 6.874 of 29 March 2018]		-	MD
	6. Ordonnance souveraine n° 13.827 du 15 décembre 1998 relative à l'introduction de l'euro, modifiée par l'Ordonnance souveraine n° 15.256 du 15 février 2002	J.M. du 18.12.98 et du 22.2.02		
	[6. Sovereign Ordinance No. 13.827 of 15 December 1998 concerning the introduction of the euro, amended by Sovereign Ordinance No. 15.256 of 15 February 2002]		-	-
	7. Arrêté ministériel n° 2017-217 du 5 avril 2017 relatif aux modalités d'application de l'OS n° 1.476, modifiée par l'Ordonnance souveraine n° 6.874 du 29 mars 2018	J.M. du 7.4.17 et du 6.4.18		
	[7. Ministerial Decree No. 2017-217 of 5 April 2017 on arrangements for applying SO No. 1.476, amended by Sovereign Ordinance No. 6.874 of 29 March 2018]		-	-
Netherlands	1. Rijksoctrooiwet 1995 van 15 december 1994, laatstelijk gewijzigd op 7 juli 2010	Stb. 1995, 51, 52; 2003, 35; 2006, 22; 2006, 135; 2006, 650; 2007, 479; 2010, 339		
	[1. Patents Act of the Kingdom 1995 of 15 December 1994, as last amended on 7 July 2010]		GRUR Int. 1996, 22 and Bl. f. PMZ 1996, 230 (German) IPLT NL 2-001 (English, French)	PA

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	2. Uitvoeringsbesluit Rijksoctrooiwet 1995 van 20 februari 1995, laatstelijk gewijzigd op 20 augustus 2010	Stb. 1995, 108; 1999, 411; 2003, 158; 2008, 124; 2009, 7; 2009, 429; 2010, 343		
	[2. Patent Rules of 20 February 1995, as last amended on 20 August 2010]		-	PR
	3. Uitvoeringsregeling 2009 Rijksoctrooiwet 1995 (van 6 november 2009)	Staatscourant 2009, 17294		
	[3. Implementing Rules 2009 (dated 6 November 2009) relating to the Patents Act 1995]		-	IR
Norway	1. Lov om patenter (patentloven) av 15. desember 1967 nr 9	*www.lovdata.no* ISBN 82-504-1193-5		
	[1. The Norwegian Patents Act of 15 December 1967, No. 9]		-	PL
	2. Forskrift til patentloven (patentforskriften) av 14. desember 2007 nr 1417	*www.lovdata.no* I 2007 hefte 12		
	[2. Regulations to the Norwegian Patents Act (Patent Regulations) of 14 December 2007, No. 1417]		-	PR
	3. Lov om oppfinnelser av betydning for rikets forsvar av 26. juni 1953 nr 8	*www.lovdata.no* ISBN 82-504-1099-8		
	[3. Inventions of Importance to the Defence of the Realm Act of 26 June 1953, No. 8]		-	Defence Act
	4. Lov om retten til oppfinnelser som er gjort av arbeidstakere av 17. april 1970 nr 21	*www.lovdata.no* ISBN 82-504-1211-7		
	[4. The Right to Inventions made by Employees Act of 17 April 1970, No. 21]		-	-
	5. Forskrift om behandling av saker etter lov om oppfinnelser av betydning for rikets forsvar av 9. mars 2000 nr 215	*www.lovdata.no* Avd I 2000 564		
	[5. Regulations on the Handling of Cases in accordance with the Inventions of Importance to the Defence of the Realm Act of 9 March 2000, No. 215]		-	-
	6. Forskrift om betalinger mv. til Patentstyret og Klagenemnda for industrielle rettigheter av 26. mars 2014 nr. 333	*www.lovdata.no* I 2014 hefte 4		
	[6. Regulations relating to payments, etc. to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office and the Board of Appeal for Industrial Property Rights of 26 March 2014, No. 333]		-	Fees Reg.

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Poland	1. Ustawa z dnia 30 czerwca 2000 r. Prawo własności przemysłowej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2017 r. poz. 776		
	[1. Act of 30 June 2000 on industrial property law]		Polish Patent Office website at *www.uprp.pl* (English version is currently being updated)	IPL
	2. Rozporządzenie Rady Ministrów z dnia 29.8.2001 w sprawie opłat związanych z ochroną wynalazków, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych Zmienione: Rozporządzeniem Rady Ministrów z dnia 2.3.2004 zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie opłat związanych z ochroną wynalazków, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych oraz Rozporządzeniem Rady Ministrów z dnia 26.2.2008 zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie opłat związanych z ochroną wynalazków, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych oraz Rozporządzeniem Rady Ministrów z dnia 8 września 2016 r. zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie opłat związanych z ochroną wynalazków, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych	Dziennik Ustaw Nr. 90 poz. 1000, 31.8.2001; amendments: Dziennik Ustaw 2004 Nr. 35 poz. 309; 5.3.2004; Dziennik Ustaw 2008 Nr. 41 poz. 241, 26.2.2008, 11.3.2008; Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1623, 6.10.2016		
	[2. Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 29 August 2001 on fees relating to the protection of inventions, utility models, industrial designs, trademarks, geographical indications and topographies of integrated circuits, as amended by the Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 2 March 2004, the Regulation of 26 February 2008 and the Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 8 September 2016]		Polish Patent Office website at *www.uprp.pl* (English)	Fees Reg.
	3. Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 17 września 2001r. w sprawie dokonywania i rozpatrywania zgłoszeń wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych Zmienione Rozporządzeniem Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 14 czerwca 2005 r. zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie dokonywania i rozpatrywania zgłoszeń wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych oraz Rozporządzeniem Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 2 marca 2015 r. zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie dokonywania i rozpatrywania zgłoszeń wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych oraz Rozporządzeniem Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 3 listopada 2016 r. zmieniającym rozporządzenie w sprawie dokonywania i rozpatrywania zgłoszeń wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych	Dziennik Ustaw Nr. 102 poz. 1119 21.9.2001; amendments: Dziennik Ustaw 2005 Nr. 109, poz. 910, 14.6.2005 oraz Dziennik Ustaw 2015 poz. 366, 17.3.2015; Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1840		
	[3. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 17 September 2001 on the filing and processing of patent and utility model applications, as amended by the Regulations of the Prime Minister of 14 June 2005, of 2 March 2015 and of 3 November 2016]		-	FPR

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	4. Rozporządzenie Rady Ministrów z dnia 23 lipca 2002r. w sprawie wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych dotyczących obronności lub bezpieczeństwa Państwa	Dziennik Ustaw Nr. 123 poz. 1056 2.8.2002		
	[4. Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 23 July 2002 on inventions and utility models concerning national defence and the security of the State]		-	-
	5. Ustawa z dnia 14 marca 2003 r. o dokonywaniu europejskich zgłoszeń patentowych oraz skutkach patentu europejskiego w Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 2		
	[5. Law of 14 March 2003 on the filing of European patent applications and the effects of the European patent in the Republic of Poland]		Polish Patent Office website at *www.uprp.pl* (English)	EPAL
	6. Rozporządzenie Rady Ministrów z dnia 8 września 2016 r. zmieniające rozporządzenie w sprawie opłat związanych z ochroną wynalazków, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych	Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1623		
	[6. Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 8 September 2016 amending the regulation on fees relating to the protection of inventions, utility models, industrial designs, trademarks, geographical indications and topographies of integrated circuits]		-	Reg. of 8.9.2016
	7. Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 9 września 2016 r. w sprawie składania i rozpatrywania wniosków o udzielenie dodatkowego prawa ochronnego dla produktów leczniczych i produktów ochrony roślin	Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1482, 16.9.2016		
	[7. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 9 September 2016 on the filing and processing of applications for the grant of a supplementary protection right for medicinal products and plant protection products]		-	-
	8. Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 28 października 2016 r. w sprawie dokonywania zgłoszeń wynalazków, produktów leczniczych, produktów ochrony roślin, wzorów użytkowych, wzorów przemysłowych, znaków towarowych, oznaczeń geograficznych i topografii układów scalonych oraz prowadzenia korespondencji w postaci elektronicznej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1805, 4.11.2016		
	[8. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 28 October 2016 on the filing of inventions, medicinal products, plant protection products, utility models, industrial designs, trademarks, geographical indications and topographies of integrated circuits and conducting correspondence in an electronic version]		-	-
	9. Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 12 stycznia 2017 r. w sprawie rejestrów prowadzonych przez Urząd Patentowy Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2017 r. poz. 115 18.1.2017		
	[9. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 12 January 2017 on registers kept by the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland]		-	Reg. Registers

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	10. Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia 30 września 2016 r. w sprawie wzorów dokumentów patentowych, dodatkowych świadectw ochronnych, świadectw ochronnych, świadectw rejestracji oraz dowodów pierwszeństwa wydawanych przez Urząd Patentowy Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1659, 11.10.2016		
	[10. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 30 September 2016 on templates for patent documents, supplementary protection certificates, certificates of registration and priority documents issued by the Polish Patent Office]		-	-
Portugal	1. Código da Propriedade Industrial Decreto-Lei n° 36/2003 de 5 de Março de 2003, alterado pelos Decretos-Leis n°s 318/2007, de 26 de Setembro, 360/2007, de 2 de Novembro e pela Lei n° 16/2008, de 1 de Abril, republicado pelo Decreto-Lei n° 143/2008, de 25 de Julho de 2008	Diário da República I Série-A N° 143/2008, 4651 (Republication of the Industrial Property Code)		
	[1. Industrial Property Code Decree Law No. 36/2003 of 5 March 2003, amended by Decree Laws No. 318/2007 of 26 September 2007 and No. 360/2007 of 2 November 2007 and by Law No. 16/2008 of 1 April 2008, republished by Decree Law No. 143/2008 of 25 July 2008]		-	PA
	2. Despacho n° 9179/2016 de 19 de Julho de 2016 que altera o Despacho n° 3571/2014 de 6 de Março de 2014, relativo Regulamentação dos requisitos formais dos requerimentos e dos documentos de instrução dos pedidos de concessão de direitos de propriedade industrial	Diário da República 2ª Série N° 137/2016 de 19.7.2016		
	[2. Order No. 9179/2016 of 19 July 2016 a mending Order No. 3571/2014 of 6 March 2014 relating to the Regulation on formal requirements for applications and supporting documents for requests for the grant of industrial property rights]		-	-
	3. Deliberação n° 725/2018 de 20 de junho de 2018 relativa a taxas	Diário da República 2ª Série N° 122 de 27.6.2018		
	[3. Resolution No. 725/2018 of 20 June 2018 regarding fees]		-	Fees Res.

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	4. Decreto-Lei n° 15/95 de 24 de Janeiro de 1995, relativo ao enquadramento legal da actuação dos agentes oficiais da propriedade industrial e dos procuradores autorizados, alterado pelo Decreto-Lei n° 54/2001, de 15 de Fevereiro de 2001, pelo Decreto-Lei n° 206/2002, de 16 de Outubro de 2002, a Lei n° 17/2010, de 4 de Agosto, a Portaria n° 1200/2010, de 29 de Novembro de 2010 e a Portaria n° 239/2013 de 25 de julho de 2013	Diário I Série-A N° 20/1995, 408; N° 39/2001, 845; N° 239/2002, 6774 Diário da República 1ª Série N° 150 de 4.8.2010; N° 231 de 29.11.2010; N° 142 de 25.7.2013		
	[4. Decree Law No. 15/95 of 24 January 1995, as amended by Decree Law No. 54/2001 of 15 February 2001, Decree Law No. 206/2002 of 16 October 2002, Law No. 17/2010 of 4 August 2010, Order No. 1200/2010 of 29 November 2010 and Order No. 239/2013 of 25 July 2013 regarding official representatives]		Bl.f.PMZ 1995, 295 (German)	Decr. Law
Romania	1. Legea Nr. 64/1991 privind brevetele de invenţie republicată în Monitorul Oficial al României, Partea I, nr. 613 din 19 august 2014	Monitorul Oficial No. 212/1991 340/2002 752/2002 541/2007		
	[1. Patent Law No. 64/1991,as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, No. 613 of 19 August 2014]		IPLT RO-2-001 (English, French) GRUR Int. 1992, 196 (German)	PL
	2. H.G. nr. 547 din 18 iunie 2008 pentru aprobarea Regulamentului de aplicare a Legii nr. 64/1991 privind brevetele de invenţie	Monitorul Oficial No. 456/2008		
	[2. Government Decision No. 547/2008 of 18 June 2008 for the approval of the Regulations for implementing the Patent Law No. 64/1991]		-	Reg.
	3. O.G. nr. 41/1998 privind taxele în domeniul protecţiei proprietăţii industriale şi regimul de utilizare a acestora, republicată în Monitorul Oficial al României, Partea I, nr. 959 din 29.11.2006	Monitorul Oficial No. 43/1998 471/2002 6/2006 226/9.4.2010		
	[3. Government Ordinance No. 41/1998 on industrial property fees and the use thereof, as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, No. 959 of 29 November 2006]		-	Fees Ord.
	4. Art. III din Legea nr. 66/31.3.2010 pentru modificarea şi completarea Legii nr. 84/1998 privind mărcile şi indicaţiile geografice	Monitorul Oficial No. 226/9.4.2010		
	[4. Art. III of Law No. 66/ 31.3.2010 amending and supplementing Law No. 84/1998 on trademarks and geographic indications]		-	

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	5. Legea nr. 611/2002 din 13 noiembrie 2002 privind aderarea României la Convenţia privind eliberarea brevetelor europene, adoptată la Munchen la 5 octombrie 1973, precum şi la Actul de revizuire a acesteia, adoptat la Munchen la 29 noiembrie 2000	Monitorul Oficial No. 844/2002		
	[5. Law No. 611/2002 of 13 November 2002 on Romania's Accession to the Convention on the Grant of European Patents of 5 October 1973, and to the Act Revising the Convention of 29 November 2000]		-	AccEPCLaw
	6. Legea nr. 350 din 12.12.2007 privind modelele de utilitate	Monitorul Oficial No. 851/2007		
	[6. Law No. 350 of 12 December 2007 on Utility Models]		-	LMU
	7. Hotărâre a Guvernului nr. 1.457 din 12 noiembrie 2008 pentru aprobarea Regulamentului de aplicare a Legii nr. 350/2007 privind modelele de utilitate	Monitorul Oficial No. 814/4.12.2008		
	[7. Government decision No. 1.457 of 12 November 2008 adopting implementing regulations for Law No. 350/2007 on utility models]		-	-
	8. Legea nr. 16 din 6 martie 1995 privind protectia topografiilor produselor semiconductoare	Monitorul Oficial No. 45/9.3.1995 824/6.10.2006		
	[8. Law No. 16 of 6 March 1995 on the protection of topographies of semiconductor products]		-	-
	9. Ordin nr. 6 din 10.1.2007 pentru aprobarea Normelor de aplicare a Legii nr.16/1995 privind protecţia topografiilor produselor semiconductoare	Monitorul Oficial No. 90/5.2.2007		
	[9. Order No. 6 of 10 January 2007 adopting implementing rules for Law No. 16/1995 on the protection of topographies of semiconductor products]		-	-
San Marino	1. Legge 25 maggio 2005 n. 79 Testo unico in tema di proprietà industriale	B.U. n. 5, 2° parte, 2005		
	[1. Law No. 79 of 25 May 2005 *Consolidated Act on industrial property]*		-	PA
	2. Legge 20 luglio 2005 n. 114 Modifiche alla Legge 25 maggio 2005 n. 79	B.U. n. 7, 1° parte, 2005		
	[2. Law No. 114 of 20 July 2005 *Amendments to Law No. 79 of 25 May 2005]*		-	Law No. 114/2005
	3. Decreto Delegato 27 novembre 2017, n. 132 Tasse per Brevetti, Marchi e Disegni	B.U. Novembre 2017		
	[3. Delegated Decree No. 132 of 27 November 2017 *Fees for patents, trademarks and designs]*		-	Fees Decr.

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	4. Decreto legge 22 giugno 2009 n. 76 Norme di applicazione della Convenzione sul Brevetto Europeo (CBE) *[4. Decree Law No. 76 of 22 June 2009* *Provisions for the application of the European Patent Convention (EPC)]*	B.U. n. 3, 2009	-	Decree Law No. 76/2009
	5. Legge 5 Dicembre 2011 n. 189 Modifiche alla legge n. 79/2005 in materia di proprietà industriale e abrogazione dell'articolo 152 della legge n. 165/2005 *[5. Law of 5 December 2011, No. 189* *Amendments to Law No. 79/2005 in the field of industrial property and repeal of Article 152 of Law No. 165/2005]*	B.U. n. 9, 2011	-	-
	6. Decreto Delegato 7 febbraio 2014 n. 15 Disposizioni in materia di ricerca sul brevetto ad opera dell'Ufficio Europeo dei Brevetti *[6. Decree Law No. 15 of 7 February 2014* *Provisions relating to research on patent by the European Patent Office]*	B.U.	-	-
	7. Legge 23 dicembre 2014 n. 219 – art. 31 Modifica decreto legge 22 giugno 2009 n. 76 *[7. Law No. 219 of 23 December 2014 – art. 31* *Amendment to Decree Law No. 76 of 22 June 2009]*	B.U.	-	Law No. 219/2014
	8. Decreto Consiliare 23 dicembre 2014 n. 217 Ratifica dell'Accordo tra la Repubblica di San Marino e la Repubblica Italiana circa la corretta interpretazione dell'articolo 43 della Convenzione di amicizia e buon vicinato del 1939 in materiale di marchi e brevetti *[8. Parliamentary Decree no. 217 of 23 December 2014* *Ratification of the Agreement between the Republic of San Marino and the Italian Republic about the correct interpretation of article 43 of the convention on friendship and good neighbourhood of 1939 relating to trade marks and patents]*	B.U.	-	-
Serbia	1. Закон о патентима *[1. Patent Law, published on 27.12.2011 and 8.12.2017]*	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011 No. 113/2017	Serbian Intellectual Property Office website at *www.zis.gov.rs/upload/documents/pdf_en/pdf_patenti/The Patent Law.pdf* (English)	PL

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	2. Правилник о садржини јавних регистара, потврда, пријава и захтева у поступку заштите проналазака, као и о врстама података, начину подношења пријаве и објављивања проналазака	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 113/2012		
	[2. Rules on the content of public registers, certificates, applications and requests in the procedure for the protection of inventions, and on types of information, how to file applications and the publication of inventions, published on 30.11.2012]		-	Rules
	3. Закон о потврђивању Споразума између Савезне владе Савезне Републике Југославије и Европске патентне организације о сарадњи у области патената (Споразумом о сарадњи и проширењу)	Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro – International Agreements No. 14/2004		
	[3. Cooperation and Extension Agreement, published on 18.6.2004]		-	CEA
	4. Закон о републичким административним таксама Закон о изменама и допунама Закона о републичким административним таксама	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 5/2009, No. 35/2009, No. 54/2009, No. 70/2011, No. 55/2012, No. 93/2012, No. 47/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 57/2014, No. 45/2015, No. 50/2016, No. 61/2017, No. 113/17, No. 3/2018 No. 50/2018		
	[4. Law on the Republic's Administrative Fees *Law on Amendment of the Republic's Administrative Fees (entry into force on 2.8.2013, entry into force of the last changes on 1.7.2018)]*		-	Fees Law
	5. Закон о посебним овлашћењима ради ефикасне заштите права интелектуалне својине	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 46/2006, No. 104/2009		
	[5. Law on special authorisations for the effective protection of intellectual property rights, published on 16.12.2009]		-	-
	6. Уредба о упису у Регистар заступника који води Савезни завод за интелектуалну својину	Official Gazette of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia No. 39/1995		
	[6. Rules on entry into the Register of Representatives of the Federal Intellectual Property Office, published on 25.8.1995]		-	-

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	7. Правилник о начину полагања посебног стручног испита за лица која се баве заступањем у поступку заштите проналазака, жигова, модела, узорака и географских ознака порекла	Official Gazette of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia No. 48/1995		
	[7. Regulations for the specialist examination for representatives in procedures for the protection of inventions, trademarks, models, designs and geographical indications of origin, published on 27.10.1995]		-	-
	8. Закон о општем управном поступку	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 18/2016		
	[8. Law on General Administrative Procedure, entry into force on 1.6.2017]		-	LGAP
	9. Закон о потврђивању Конвенције о признавању европских патента (Конвенција о европском патенту) од 5. октобра 1973. године са изменама члана 63. Конвенције о европском патенту од 17. децембра 1991. године и изменама од 29. новембра 2000. године	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia – International Treaties No. 5/2010 Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011		
	[9. Law on the ratification of the Convention on the Grant of European Patents (European Patent Convention) of 5 October 1973 as amended by the act revising Article 63 EPC of 17 December 1991 and the act revising the EPC of 29 November 2000, published on 27.12.2011]		-	LREPC
	10. Закон о патентима (На европске пријаве патената за које је захтевано проширење на Републику Србију, као и на европске патенте који су признати на основу таквих европских пријава примењиваће се одредбе поглавља 15. Закона о патентима ("Службени лист СЦГ", бр. 32/04, 35/04 и "Службени гласник РС", број 115/06)	Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro No. 32/2004, No. 35/2004 Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 115/2006		
	[10. Patent Law, published on 2.7.2004 (the provisions of Chapter XV of the Patent Law ("Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro", No. 32/04, 35/04, and "Official Gazette of RS", No. 115/2006) are still applicable to European patent applications extended to the Republic of Serbia and to European patents which have been granted for such applications)]		-	PL Ext.
Slovakia	1. Oznámenie Ministerstva zahraničných vecí Slovenskej republiky č.47/2008 Z.z. o podpísaní Dohovoru o udeľovaní európskych patentov (Európskeho patentového dohovoru) a o uzavretí Revízie znenia textu Dohovoru o udeľovaní európskych patentov z 29. novembra 2000 (Európskeho patentového dohovoru), v platnom znení	Zbierka zákonov č. 47/2008, z 9.2.2008		
	[1. Notification of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic No. 47/2008 Coll. on the introduction of the Convention on the Grant of European Patents (European Patent Convention), Act revising the Convention on the Grant of European Patents of 29 November 2000, as amended]		-	-

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	2. Zákon č. 435/2001 Z.z. o patentoch, dodatkových ochranných osvedčeniach a o zmene a doplnení niektorých zákonov (patentový zákon) v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 435/2001, č. 402/2002, č. 84/2007, č. 517/2007, č. 495/2008, č. 202/2009, č. 125/2016, č. 242/2017		
	[2. Law No. 435/2001 Coll. on patents, supplementary protection certificates and on amendment of other Acts (Patent Act), as amended by subsequent law]		*www.indprop.gov.sk* (English) Bl.f.PMZ 2002, 442 (German)	PA
	3. Zákon č. 517/2007 Z.z. o úžitkových vzoroch a o zmene a doplnení niektorých zákonov v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 517/2007, č. 495/2008, č. 125/2016, č. 242/2017		
	[3. Act No. 517/2007 Coll. on Utility Models and the Amendment of Certain Acts as amended by subsequent law]		*www.indprop.gov.sk* (English)	UM
	4. Vyhláška Úradu priemyselného vlastníctva Slovenskej Republiky č. 1/2008 Z.z., ktorou sa vykonáva zákon č. 517/2007 Z.z. o úžitkových vzoroch a o zmene a doplnení niektorých zákonov	Zbierka zákonov č. 1/2008, z 12.12.2007		
	[4. Industrial Property Office Regulation No. 1/2008 Coll. implementing Act No. 517/2007 Coll. on Utility Models and the Amendment of Certain Acts]		-	-
	5. Zákon NR SR č. 145/1995 Z.z. o správnych poplatkoch v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov NR SR č. 145/1995 Z.z., zo 22.6.1995		
	[5. Law NR SR No. 145/1995 Coll. on administration fees, as amended by subsequent law]		-	Fees Law
	6. Vyhláška Úradu priemyselného vlastníctva Slovenskej republiky č. 223/2002 Z.z., ktorou sa vykonáva zákon č. 435/2001 Z.z. o patentoch, dodatkových ochranných osvedčeniach a o zmene a doplnení niektorých zákonov (patentový zákon)	Zbierka zákonov č. 223/2002 Z.z., z 13.3.2002		
	[6. Regulation of the Industrial Property Office No. 223/2002 Coll. implementing Law No. 435/2001 Coll. on patents, supplementary protection certificates and on amendment of other Acts, as amended (Patent Act)]		-	RPA
	7. Zákon č. 71/1967 Zb. o správnom konaní (správny poriadok) v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 71/1967 Zb. z 29.6.1967		
	[7. Law No. 71/1967 Coll. on administrative procedure (Administrative Procedure Code) as amended by subsequent law]		*www.indprop.gov.sk* (English)	APC

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	8. Zákon NR SR č. 495/2008 Z.z.o poplatku za udržiavanie platnosti patentu, o poplatku za udržiavanie platnosti európskeho patentu s účinkami pre Slovenskú republiku a o poplatku za udržiavanie platnosti dodatkového ochranného osvedčenia na liečivá a výrobky na ochranu rastlín a o zmene a doplnení niektorých zákonov, v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 495/2008, č. 600/2008, č. 519/2010		
	[8. Act No. 495/2008 Coll. on renewal fees for patents, European patents with the designation of the Slovak Republic, supplementary protection certificates for medicinal products and plant protection products, and on amendments of other Acts, as amended by subsequent law]		*www.indprop.gov.sk* (English)	Act No. 495/2008
Slovenia	1. Zakon o industrijski lastnini	Uradni list RS, št. 51/2006 in 100/2013		
	[1. Industrial Property Act]		WIPO website at *www.wipo.int/wipolex* (English, French) Slovenian Intellectual Property Office website at *www.uil-sipo.si* (English)	IPA
	2. Uredba o pristojbinah Urada RS za intelektualno lastnino	Uradni list RS, št. 128/2006		
	[2. Decree on the fees of the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office]		-	Fees Decr.
	3. Pravilnik o vsebini patentne prijave in postopku z deljenimi patenti	Uradni list RS, št. 102/2001		
	[3. Rules on the content of a patent application and the procedure for divided patents]		-	PR
	4. Pravilnik o registrih prijav in pravic industrijske lastnine ter potrdilu o prednostni pravici	Uradni list RS, št. 102/2001		
	[4. Rules on registering applications and industrial property rights and priority certificates]		-	Reg.Rules
Spain	1. Ley 24/2015, de 24 de julio, de Patentes En vigor a partir del 1 de abril de 2017.	BOE núm. 177/2015, 62765		
	[1. Patent Law 24/2015 of 24 July 2015] *In force from 1 April 2017*		-	NPL
	2. Real Decreto 316/2017, de 31 de marzo, por el que se aprueba el Reglamento de ejecución de la Ley 24/2015, de 24 de julio, de Patentes	BOE núm. 78/2017, 25281		
	[2. Royal Decree 316/2017 of 31 March 2017, approving the Regulation on the implementation of Patent Law 24/2015 of 24 July 2015]		-	RD 316

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	3. Orden Ministerial ETU/320/2018, de 26 de marzo, por la que se establecen los requisitos y condiciones en las que otros habilitados, distintos de los expresamente facultados por los artículos 154.2 y 169.2 de la Ley 24/2015, de 24 de julio, de Patentes, podrán traducir patentes europeas y solicitudes internacionales de patentes a que se refieren dichos artículos			
	[3. Ministerial Order ETU/320/2018 of 26 March 2018 establishing the requirements and conditions under which persons other than those expressly authorised by Articles 154.2 and 169.2 of Patent Law 24/2015 of 24 July 2015 may translate European patents and international patent applications referred to in those articles]		-	MO 320
	4. Ley 46/1998, de 17 de diciembre sobre la introducción del euro	BOE núm. 302/98, 42460		
	[4. Law 46/1998 of 17 December 1998 on the introduction of the euro]		-	-

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Sweden	1. Patentlag SFS 1967:837, ändrad enligt SFS 1971:626, SFS 1977:700, SFS 1977:730, SFS 1978:149, SFS 1978:150, SFS 1980:105, SFS 1981:816, omtryckt genom lag SFS 1983:433, SFS 1983:434 därefter ändrad genom SFS 1984:937, SFS 1986:233, SFS 1986:1156, SFS 1987:1330, SFS 1991:296, SFS 1992:1688, SFS 1993:1406, SFS 1994:105, SFS 1994:234, SFS 1994:1511, SFS 1996:847, SFS 1996:889, SFS 1996:890, SFS 1998:1456, SFS 2000:1158, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2004:161, SFS 2005:289, SFS 2005:692, SFS 2006:254, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2006:682, SFS 2007:242, SFS 2007:516, SFS 2007:517, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:636, SFS 2007:751, SFS 2008:131, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2009:111, SFS 2010:1395, SFS 2011:580, SFS 2013:84, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:434, SFS 2015:317, SFS 2016:192, SFS 2016:229, SFS 2016:726, SFS 2016:727, SFS 2018:273	SFS 1967:837 1971:626 1977:700 1977:730 1978:149 1978:150 1980:105 1981:816 1983:433 1983:434 1984:937 1986:233 1986:1156 1987:1330 1991:296 1992:1688 1993:1406 1994:105 1994:234 1994:1511 1996:847 1996:889 1996:890 1998:1456 2000:1158 2004:159 2004:161 2005:289 2005:692 2006:254 2006:625 2006:682 2007:242 2007:516 2007:517 2007:518 2007:636 2007:751 2008:131 2008:367 2009:111 2010:1395 2011:580 2013:84 2014:289 2014:434 2015:317 2016:192 2016:229 2016:726 2016:727 2018:273		
	[1. Patents Act SFS 1967:837, amended by SFS 1971:626, SFS 1977:700, SFS 1977:730, SFS 1978:149, SFS 1978:150, SFS 1980:105, SFS 1981:816, reprinted SFS 1983:433 SFS 1983:434 and amended by SFS 1984:937, SFS 1986:233, SFS 1986:1156, SFS 1987:1330, SFS 1991:296, SFS 1992:1688, SFS 1993:1406, SFS 1994:105, SFS 1994:234, SFS 1994:1511, SFS 1996:847, SFS 1996:889, SFS 1996:890, SFS 1998:1456, SFS 2000:1158, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2004:161, SFS 2005:289, SFS 2005:692, SFS 2006:254, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2006:682, SFS 2007:242, SFS 2007:516, SFS 2007:517, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:636, SFS 2007:751, SFS 2008:131, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2009:111, SFS 2010:1395, SFS 2011:580, SFS 2013:84, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:434, SFS 2015:317, SFS 2016:192, SFS 2016:229, SFS 2016:726, SFS 2016:727, SFS 2018:273]		Bl.f.PMZ 1985, 174; 1995, 141, 142; 1996, 47; (German) IPLT SE 2-001 (English, French)	PA

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	2. Patentkungörelsen SFS 1967:838, ändrad genom SFS 1973:906, SFS 1975:1331, SFS 1977:144, SFS 1978:151, SFS 1979:135, SFS 1979:888, SFS 1980:137, SFS 1980:646, SFS 1980:685, SFS 1980:1122, SFS 1981:1017, SFS 1983:435, SFS 1984:938, SFS 1986:1221, SFS 1987:1332, SFS 1988:987, SFS 1989:503, omtryckt genom förordning SFS 1991:1331, därefter ändrad SFS 1993:197, SFS 1993:1312, SFS 1995:269, SFS 1996:225, SFS 1997:42, SFS 1999:139, SFS 2000:1160, SFS 2001:128, SFS 2001:774, SFS 2003:109, SFS 2003:1071, SFS 2004:162, SFS 2006:1067, SFS 2007:253, SFS 2007:519, SFS 2007:1120, SFS 2008:130, SFS 2008:368, SFS 2009:1155, SFS 2011:449, SFS 2012:620, SFS 2014:435, SFS 2016:580, SFS 2016:729, SFS 2017:1058, SFS 2018:273	SFS 1973:906 1975:1331 1977:144 1978:151 1979:135 1979:888 1980:137 1980:646 1980:685 1980:1122 1981:1017 1983:435 1984:938 1986:1221 1987:1332 1988:987 1989:503 1991:1331 1993:197 1993:1312 1995:269 1996:225 1997:42 1999:139 2000:1160 2001:128 2001:774 2003:109 2003:1071 2004:162 2006:1067 2007:253 2007:519 2007:1120 2008:130 2008:368 2009:1155 2011:449 2012:620 2014:435 2016:580 2016:729 2017:1058 2018:273		
	[2. Decree on patent formalities SFS 1967:838, amended by SFS 1973:906, SFS 1975:1331, SFS 1977:144, SFS 1978:151, SFS 1979:135, SFS 1979:888, SFS 1980:137, SFS 1980:646, SFS 1980:685, SFS 1980:1122, SFS 1981:1017, SFS 1983:435, SFS 1984:938, SFS 1986:1221, SFS 1987:1332, SFS 1988:987, SFS 1989:503, reprinted SFS 1991:1331 and amended by SFS 1993:197, SFS 1993:1312, SFS 1995:269, SFS 1996:225, SFS 1997:42, SFS 1999:139, SFS 2000:1160, SFS 2001:128, SFS 2001:774, SFS 2003:109, SFS 2003:1071, SFS 2004:162, SFS 2006:1067, SFS 2007:253, SFS 2007:519, SFS 2007:1120, SFS 2008:130, SFS 2008:368, SFS 2009:1155, SFS 2011:449, SFS 2012:620, SFS 2014:435, SFS 2016:580, SFS 2016:729, SFS 2017:1058, SFS 2018:273]		Bl.f.PMZ 1979, 169; 1985, 281; 1989, 346 (German) IPLT SE 2-002 (English, French)	PD

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	3. Lagen om försvarsuppfinningar SFS 1971:1078, ändrad genom SFS 1975:734, omtryckt genom lag SFS 1978:157, därefter ändrad genom lag SFS 1980:211, SFS 1986:1161, SFS 1993:1407, SFS 1997:916, SFS 2009:410, SFS 2016:195	SFS 1971:1078 1975:734 1978:157 1980:211 1986:1161 1993:1407 1997:916 2009:410 2016:195		
	[3. Defence Inventions Act SFS 1971:1078, amended by SFS 1975:157, reprinted SFS 1978:157 and amended by SFS 1980:211, SFS 1986:1161, SFS 1993:1407, SFS 1997:916, SFS 2009:410, SFS 2016:195]		-	-
	4. Patentbestämmelser PRVFS 1981:1, omtryckt genom PRVFS 1997:1 P:32, PRVFS 2005:1 P:57, PRVFS 2006:3 P:60, PRVFS 2007:2 P:63, PRVFS 2008:2 P:69, PRVFS 2008:3 P:70, PRVFS 2007:4 P:65, PRVFS 2014:1 P:96	PRVFS 1981:1 1986:4 P:17 1992:1 P:23 1993:5 P:27 1997:1 P:32 1997:3 P:34 1998:4 P:38 1999:3 P:41 2000:7 P:43 2003:4 P:55 2005:1 P:57 2006:3 P:60 2007:2 P:63 2007:4 P:65 2014:1 P:96		
	[4. Patent Office Regulations PRVFS 1981:1, reprinted PRVFS 1997:1 P:32, PRVFS 2005:1 P:57, PRVFS 2006:3 P:60, PRVFS 2007:2 P:63, PRVFS 2008:2 P:69, PRVFS 2008:3 P:70, PRVFS 2007:4 P:65, PRVFS 2014:1 P:96]		-	POR
	5. Patent- och registreringsverkets (PRV) föreskrifter om elektronisk patentansökan PRVFS 2008:4 P:71	PRVFS 2008:4 P:71		
	[5. Patent Office Regulations on electronically filed patent applications PRVFS 2008:4 P:71]		-	-
	6. Patent- och registreringsverkets (PRV) föreskrifter om avgifter för bevis om patentansökningar och patent PRVFS 2009:4 P:81	PRVFS 2009:4 P:81		
	[6. Patent Office Regulations on fees for patent application and patent certificates PRVFS 2009:4 P:81]		-	-
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	1. Bundesgesetz betreffend die Erfindungspatente vom 25. Juni 1954 (Patentgesetz)	SR 232.14		
	[1. Federal Law on Patents for Inventions of 25 June 1954 (Patent Act)]		IPLT CH 2-001 (English)	PA
	2. Verordnung über die Erfindungspatente vom 19. Oktober 1977 (Patentverordnung)	SR 232.141		
	[2. Ordinance on Patents for Inventions of 19 October 1977 (Patent Ordinance)]		IPLT CH 2-002	PO

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	3. Verordnung des IGE über Gebühren vom 14. Juni 2016 (GebV-IGE)	SR 232.148		
	[3. IPI Fees Regulation of 14 June 2016 (Fees Regulation)]		-	Fees Reg.
	4. Bundesgesetz über das Verwaltungsverfahren vom 20. Dezember 1968	SR 172.021		
	[4. Federal Law on administrative procedure of 20 December 1968]		-	-
	5. Vertrag zwischen der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft und dem Fürstentum Liechtenstein über den Schutz der Erfindungspatente vom 22. Dezember 1978 (Patentschutzvertrag)	SR 0.232.149.514		
	[5. Treaty between the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein on Patent Protection of 22 December 1978 (Patent Treaty)]		OJ EPO 1980, 407 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
	6. Ausführungsvereinbarung zum schweizerisch-liechtensteinischen Patentschutzvertrag vom 10. Dezember 1979	SR 0.232.149.514.1		
	[6. Implementing Agreement to the Treaty between Switzerland and Liechtenstein in respect of Patents of 10 December 1979]		OJ EPO 1980, 412 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	-
Turkey	1. Patent haklarinin korunmasi hakkinda bakanlar kurulunca 26 Nisan 1995 tarihinde kararlastirilan 551 sayili kanun hükmünde kararname – Eski başvurular için geçerli	TC Resmi Gazete No. 22326 27.6.1995		
	[1. Decree Law No. 551 on the protection of patents of 26 April 1995] *Valid for applications filed before 10 January 2017 and still pending, i.e. not yet granted.*		Bl.f.PMZ 2000, 355 (German) IPLT TR 2-001 (English, French)	DL No. 551
	1a. 6769 Sayılı Sınai Mülkiyet Kanunu	TC Resmi Gazete No. 29944 10.1.2017		
	[1a. Industrial Property Law No. 6769 of 10 January 2017]		-	IPL
	2. 551 sayili KHK,nin uygulama seklini gösterir yönetmelik 1995, en son 21.4.2009 tarihinde değiştirilmiştir	TC Resmi Gazete No. 22454 5.11.1995 No. 27207 21.4.2009		
	[2. Implementing Regulations 1995 to DL No. 551, as last amended on 21 April 2009]		-	IR

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	2a. 6769 Sayılı Sınai Mülkiyet Kanununun Uygulama Şeklini Gösterir Yönetmelik	TC Resmi Gazete No. 30047 24.4.2017		
	[2a. Implementing Regulations to Industrial Property Law No. 6769]		-	IPLR
	3. Avrupa Patentlerinin verilmesi ile ilgili Avrupa Patent Sözlesmesinin Türkiyede uygulama seklini gösterir yönetmelik 9.1.2001, en son 22.5.2008 tarihinde değiştirilmiştir	TC Resmi Gazete No. 24282 9.1.2001 No. 26883 22.5.2008		
	[3. Regulations implementing the Convention on the Grant of European Patents in Turkey dated 9 January 2001, as last amended on 22 May 2008]		-	RegEPC
	4. 2018 yılı Patent ve Marka başvuru ücret tarifesi	TC Resmi Gazete No. 30286 30.12.2017		
	[4. List of fees in respect of patents and utility models, 2018]		-	Fees 2018
United Kingdom	1. The Patents Act 1977 (as amended)	*www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-patents-act-1977*	Bl.f.PMZ 1979, 200; 1986, 334; 1991, 260 (German) LTPI UK 2-001 (French)	PA
	2. The Patents Rules 2007 (as amended)	*www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-patents-rules-2007-and-patents-fees-rules-2007* S.I. 2007/3291 2009/546 2010/33 2011/2052 2014/578 2014/2401 2016/892 2017/1100	LTPI UK 2-002 (French)	PR
	3. The Patents (Fees) Rules 2007 (as amended)	*www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-patents-rules-2007-and-patents-fees-rules-2007* S.I. 2007/3292 2009/2089 2010/33 2017/1100	-	PFR

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Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			
Morocco Office marocain de la propriété industrielle et commerciale (Moroccan Industrial and Commercial Property Office, OMPIC) Headquarters: Route de Nouasser, R.S. 114, Km 9,5 Sidi Maarouf CASABLANCA Postal address: PO Box 8072 Casablanca Oasis CASABLANCA Tel. +212 5 22586400 Fax +212 5 22335480 *www.ompic.ma* validation@ompic.ma	1. Loi n° 17-97 relative à la protection de la propriété industrielle, telle que modifiée et complétée par la Loi n° 23-13 promulguée par le dahir n° 1-14-188 du 27 moharrem 1436 (21 novembre 2014)	Bulletin officiel (BO) n° 6318 du 18.12.2014 (version arabe) BO n° 6358 du 7.5.2015 (version française)		
	[1. Law No. 17-97 on the protection of industrial property, as amended and supplemented by Law No. 23-13 promulgated by dahir No. 1-14-188 of 27 moharrem 1436 (21 November 2014)]		-	Law No. 17-97
	2. Décret n° 2-14-316 du 8 rabii II 1436 (29 janvier 2015) modifiant et complétant le décret n° 2-00-368 du 18 rabii II 1425 (7 juin 2004) pris pour l'application de la loi n° 17-97 relative à la protection de la propriété industrielle	BO n° 6333 du 9.2.2015 (version arabe) BO n° 6358 du 7.5.2015 (version française)		
	[2. Decree No. 2-14-316 of 8 rabii II 1436 (29 January 2015) amending and supplementing Decree No. 2-00-368 of 18 rabii II 1425 (7 June 2004) implementing Law No. 17-97]		-	Decr.
	3. Arrêté du Ministre de l'Industrie, du Commerce, de l'Investissement et de l'Economie Numérique n° 15-162 du 30 janvier 2015 désignant un organisme de validation	BO n° 6333 du 9.2.2015 (version arabe)		
	[3. Order No. 15-162 of 30 January 2015 designating a validation authority, issued by the Minister for Industry, Commerce, Investment and the Digital Economy]		-	Ord. of 30.1.2015
	4. Référence administrative : Note d'information du Directeur Général de l'Office Marocain de la Propriété Industrielle et Commerciale sur la procédure de validation des brevets européens au Maroc, publiée le 19 janvier 2015	*www.ompic.ma*		
	[4. Administrative Reference: the information notice of 19 January 2015 from the Director-General of OMPIC on the procedure for validating European patents in Morocco]		-	Notice DG OMPIC

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	5. Référence administrative : Décision n° 9/2017 du 29 juin 2017, relative aux prix des services rendus par l'Office Marocain de la Propriété Industrielle et Commerciale au titre de la propriété industrielle et du registre central du commerce	*www.ompic.ma/fr/content/nos-tarifs*		
	[5. Administrative Reference: Decision No. 9/2017 of 29 June 2017 on the prices of OMPIC services relating to industrial property and the central register of commerce]		-	Dec. No. 9/2017
Republic of Moldova State Agency on Intellectual Property (AGEPI) 24/1, Andrei Doga Str. CHIȘINĂU, MD-2024 Consultations: Tel. +373 22 400500 Receipt of requests: Tel. +373 22 400505 Fax +373 22 440119 *agepi.gov.md/en* office@agepi.gov.md	1. Law No. 50-XVI of 7 March 2008 on the protection of inventions, as last amended and supplemented by Law No. 173 of 25 July 2014	Official Gazette of the Republic of Moldova No. 258-261 of 18.9.2015 (text in Romanian)		
	[1. Law No. 50-XVI of 7 March 2008 on the protection of inventions, as last amended and supplemented by Law No. 173 of 25 July 2014]		-	Law No. 50/2008
	2. Government Decision No. 774 of 13 August 1997 on fees for legal services in the field of IP protection, as last amended and supplemented by Government Decision No. 1072 of 22 September 2016	Official Gazette of the Republic of Moldova No. 338-341/1175 of 30.9.2016 (text in Romanian)		
	[2. Government Decision No. 774 of 13 August 1997 on fees for legal services in the field of IP protection, as last amended and supplemented by Government Decision No. 1072 of 22 September 2016]		-	Gov. Dec. No. 774
	3. Government Decision No. 612 of 12 August 2011 approving the Regulation on registration of agreements on assigning, licensing, pledging or franchising industrial property	Official Gazette of the Republic of Moldova No. 135-138 of 19.8.2011 (text in Romanian)		
	[3. Government Decision No. 612 of 12 August 2011 approving the Regulation on registration of agreements on assigning, licensing, pledging or franchising industrial property]		-	Gov. Dec. No. 612
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			

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Bosnia and Herzegovina Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina *Head office:* Kneza Domagoja bb 88000 MOSTAR Tel. +387 36 334382 Fax +387 36 318420 *www.ipr.gov.ba* mostar@ipr.gov.ba *Branch office:* Hamdije Ćemerlića 2/IX (Energoinvest Building) 71000 SARAJEVO Tel. +387 33 521848 Fax +387 33 652757 info@ipr.gov.ba sarajevo@ipr.gov.ba *Branch office:* Akademika Jovana Surutke 13/III 78000 BANJA LUKA Tel. +387 51 226840 Fax +387 51 226841 banjaluka@ipr.gov.ba	1. Zakon o patentu *[1. Patent Law]* 2. Pravilnik o postupku za priznanje patenta i konsenzualnoga patenta *[2. Regulations on the Patent and Consensual Patent Grant Procedure]* 3. Odluka o posebnim troškovima postupka za sticanje i održavanje prava industrijskog vlasništva *[3. Decision on special procedural charges for acquisition and maintenance of industrial property rights]* 4. Odluka o izmjenama tarife administrativnih taksi *[4. Decision adjusting administrative fees]* 5. Sporazum između vijeća ministara bosne i hercegovine i evropske patentne organizacije o saradnji u oblasti patenata (sporazum o saradnji i proširenju) *[5. Agreement between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the European Patent Organisation on co-operation in the field of patents (co-operation and extension agreement)]*	Sl.glasnik BiH (Official Gazette of Bosnia and Herzegovina) No. 53/10 Sl.glasnik BiH No. 105/10 Sl.glasnik BiH No. 109/10 Sl.glasnik BiH No. 15/14 Sl.glasnik BiH No. 2/04	Website of the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina *www.ipr.gov.ba* Website of the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina *www.ipr.gov.ba* - - -	PL Pat. Reg. Spec. Fees Admin. Fees Ext. Agr.
Montenegro Zavod za intelektualnu svojinu Crne Gore (Montenegro Intellectual Property Office) Bulevar Mihaila Lalića 1/6 81000 PODGORICA Tel. +382 20 234 591 *www.ziscg.me* kabinet@zis.gov.me	1. Zakon o patentima *[1. Patent Law]* 2. Pravilnik o sadržini registara, prijava i drugih podnesaka, načinu podnošenja prijava i objavljivanju podataka u postupcima pravne zaštite pronalazaka *[2. Rules on the contents of registers, applications and other submissions, notification and publication of data in procedures for the legal protection of inventions]* 3. Zakon o potvrdjivanju sporazuma izmedju Crne Gore i EPO o proširenju evropskih patenata (Sporazum o proširenju) *[3. Law on ratification of the extension agreement between Montenegro and the EPO (Extension Agreement)]*	Sl. list CG, 42/2015, 2/2017 Sl. list SCG, br. 8/2016 Sl. list CG, Međunarodni ugovori, br. 5/2009	- - -	PL Rules -

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	4. Zakon o administrativnim taksama	Sl. list RCG, br. 55/2003, 46/2004, 81/2005, 2/2006; Sl. list CG, br. 22/2008, 77/2008, 3/2009, 20/2011, 26/2011, 56/2013, 45/2014, 53/2016, 37/2017		
	[4. Law on administrative fees]		-	LAdmFees
	5. Odluka o visini naknada i posebnih troskova postupka koji vodi Zavod za intelektualnu svojinu i naknada troskova za pruzanje informacionih usluga	Sl. list CG, br. 16/2008		
	[5. Decision on procedural and patent-information fees charged by the Intellectual Property Offices]		-	Fees Dec.
	6. Zakon o upravnom postupku	Sl. list CG, br. 56/2014, 20/2015, 40/2016, 37/2017		
	[6. Law on administrative procedure]		-	LAdmin.proc.

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Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.) Drejtoria e Përgjithshme e Pronësisë Industriale General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) Bulevardi "Zhan D'Ark" Prona Nr. 33 Shtëpia e Ushtarakëve TIRANA Tel. +355 4 22 34 412 Fax +355 4 22 34 412 *www.dppm.gov.al* mailinf@dppm.gov.al	1. Ligji Nr. 9947 Date 07.07.2008 Per Pronesine Industriale i ndryshuar me Ligjin Nr. 10/2013 i datës 14.2.2013, dhe Ligji Nr. 55/2014 i datës 29.5.2014, dhe Ligji 17/2017 i datës 16.2.2017	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 121, 2008 No. 29, 2013 No. 96, 2014 No. 43, 2017		
	[1. Law No. 9947 on Industrial Property of 7 July 2008, as amended by Law No. 10/2013 of 14 February 2013, Law No. 55/2014 of 29 May 2014 and Law No. 17/2017 of 16 February 2017]		IPLT AL 1-001 (English)	PL
	2. Rregullore "Per leshimin e patentave per shpikjet dhe modelet e perdorimit" Nr. 1707, date 29.12.2008, i ndryshuar me VKM Nr. 618, datë 7.9.2011, dhe me VKM Nr. 38 datë 21.1.2015, dhe me VKM Nr. 460, datë 26.7.2018	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 213, 2008 No. 139, 2011 No. 7, 2015 No. 114, 2018		
	[2. Regulation No. 1707 of 29 December 2008 on patents and utility models, as amended by Decree of the Government No. 618 of 7 September 2011, by Decree of the Government No. 38 of 21 January 2015 and by Decree of the Government No. 460, of 26 July 2018]		-	PR
	3. VKM No. 883, 13 Maj 2009 Per tarifat e Objekteve te Pronesise Industriale e ndryshuar me VKM Nr. 37 datë 21.1.2015, dhe me VKM Nr. 316 datë 31.5.2018	Gazeta Zyrtare No. 134, 2009 No. 7, 2015 No. 82, 2018		
	[3. Decree of the Government on State fees No. 883 of 13 May 2009, as amended by Decree of the Government No. 37 of 21 January 2015 and by Decree of Government No. 316 of 31 May 2018]		-	Fees Decr.
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.) Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo State Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Croatia Ulica grada Vukovara 78 10000 ZAGREB Tel. +385 1 6106111, 6106100 Fax +385 1 6112017 *www.dziv.hr* info@dziv.hr	1. Zakon o patentu	Narodne Novine (NN) 173/2003, 87/2005, 76/2007, 30/2009, 128/2010, 49/2011, 76/2013, 46/2018		
	[1. Patent Act]		-	PA
	2. Pravilnik o patentu	NN 117/2007, 3/2011, 66/2011, 145/2012, 85/2013 43/2017		
	[2. Patent Ordinance]		-	PO
	3. Zakon o upravnim pristojbama u području prava intelektualnog vlasništva	NN 64/2000, 160/2004, 62/2008, 30/2009, 49/2011		
	[3. Law on administrative fees in the field of intellectual property rights]		-	LAdmFees

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	4. Uredba o naknadama za posebne troškove i troškove za pružanje informacijskih usluga Državnog Zavoda za intelektualno vlasništvo	NN 109/2011, 96/2013		
	[4. Regulation on Special Charges and Charges for Information Services Provided by the State Intellectual Property Office]		-	RCh
	5. Sporazum Vlade Republike Hrvatske i Europske patentne organizacije o suradnji na području patenata (Sporazum o suradnji i proširenju)	NN - IA. 14/2003		
	[5. Agreement on co-operation in the field of patents between the Government of the Republic of Croatia and the European Patent Organisation (Co-operation and Extension Agreement)]		-	Ext. Agr.
	6. Zakon o općem upravnom postupku	NN 47/2009		
	[6. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.) State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) Boulevard October 11, nr. 25 1000 SKOPJE Tel. +389 2 3103601 Fax +389 2 3137149 *www.ippo.gov.mk* info@ippo.gov.mk	1. Закон за индустриска сопственост кој се применува од 25 февруари 2009	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 47/2002, No. 42/2003, No. 9/2004, No. 39/2006, No. 79/2007, No. 21/2009, No. 24/2011, No. 12/2014, No. 41/2014, No. 152/2015, No. 53/2016, No. 83/2018		
	[1. Law on Industrial Property of 12 February 2009, applicable as from 25 February 2009]		WIPO website at *www.wipo.int/wipolex* MK008EN (English)	PL
	2. Закон за административни такси	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 17/1993, No. 20/1996, No. 7/1998, No. 13/2001, No. 24/2003, No. 19/2004, No. 61/2004, No. 95/2005, No. 70/2006, No. 92/2007, No. 88/2008, No. 130/2008, No. 6/2010, No. 145/2010, No. 17/2011		
	[2. Law on administrative fees of 26 March 1993, as last amended on 11 February 2011]		-	Fees Law

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	3. Правилник за признавање на патент	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 18/2004, No. 93/2006, No. 22/2009		
	[3. Patent Regulations of 23 March 2004, as last amended on 29 August 2006]		-	Reg.
	4. Договор за соработка на полето на патентите (Договор за соработка)	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 49/1997		
	[4. Agreement on co-operation in the field of patents (Co-operation Agreement) on the extension of European patents of 30 September 1997]		Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 49/97 (English) OJ EPO 1997, 538 (English, French, German)	Ext. Reg.
	5. Закон за општа управна постапка	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 38/2005		
	[5. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.) Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia Citadeles iela 7(70) 1010 RIGA Tel. +371 6 7099600 Fax +371 6 7099650 *www.lrpv.gov.lv* valde@lrpv.gov.lv	1. 2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2015. gada 19. novembra grozījumiem	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 34 (3610), 27.2.2007 No. 240 (5558), 8.12.2015		
	[1. Patent Law adopted on 15 February 2007, as amended on 19 November 2015]		*https://likumi.lv/doc.php?id=153574* (English) Bl.f.PMZ 2010, 7 (German)	PL
	2. 2008. gada 1. aprīļa Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 224 Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi ar 2015. gada 22. decembra grozījumiem	Vēstnesis No. 53, 4.4.2008		
	[2. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 224 of 1 April 2008 Regulations on patents and patent applications, as amended on 22 December 2015]		-	PR
	3. 2015. gada 15. decembra Ministru Kabineta noteikumi Nr. 723 Patentu valdes sniegto maksas pakalpojumu cenrādis	Vēstnesis No. 248 (5566), 18.12.2015		
	[3. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office]		-	Fees Reg.

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	4. 2015. gada 18. jūnija Rūpnieciskā īpašuma institūciju un procedūru likums, stājas spēkā 2016. gada 1. janvārī	Vēstnesis No. 127 (5445), 2.7.2015		
	[4. Law on Industrial Property Institutions and Procedures of 18 June 2015, entered into force on 1 January 2016]		-	IPL
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.) The State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania Kalvarijų g. 3 09310 VILNIUS Tel. +370 5 2780250 Fax +370 5 2750723 *http://vpb.lrv.lt* info@vpb.gov.lt	1. Lietuvos Respublikos patentų įstatymas Nr. XI-1261 (2010 12 23), pakeistas įstatymu Nr. XIII-548 (2017 06 29)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras (Register of Legal Acts of the Republic of Lithuania)		
	[1. Patent law of the Republic of Lithuania No. XI-1261 of 23 December 2010, as last amended by Law No. XIII-548 of 29 June 2017]		-	PL
	2. Lietuvos Respublikos valstybinio patentų biuro 2006 04 24 įsakymas Nr. 3R-29 "Dėl Europos patentų paraiškų padavimo ir Europos patentų galiojimo Lietuvos Respublikoje (išplėtimo į Lietuvos Respubliką) tvarkos aprašo patvirtinimo", pakeistas įsakymu Nr. 3R-36 (2017 06 26)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[2. Order of the State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania No. 3R-29 of 24 April 2006 on the filing of European patent applications and extension of the European patent procedure, as amended by Order No. 3R-36 of 26 June 2017]		-	Ext. Order
	3. Mokesčių už pramoninės nuosavybės objektų registravimą įstatymas Nr. IX-352 (2001 06 05), įstatymu Nr. XIII-550 (2017 06 29)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[3. Law on fees for the registration of industrial property objects of 5 June 2001 No. IX-352, as amended by Law No. XIII-550 of 29 June 2017]		-	Fees Law
	4. Valstybinío patentų biuro direktoriaus 2001 m. gruodžio 27 d. įsakymas Nr. 118 "Dėl papildomos apsaugos liudijimų išdavimo", pakeistas įsakymu Nr. 3R-20 (2016 03 31)	Lietuvos Respublikos Teisės aktų registras		
	[4. Order of the Director of the State Patent Bureau No. 118 of 27 December 2001 on the grant of supplementary protection certificates, amended by Order No. 3R-20 of 31 March 2016]		-	-

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Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.) State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) 5, Ion Ghica Street 030044 BUCUREŞTI 3 Tel. +40 21 3060-800, 3060-801, 3060-802, ..., 3060-829 Fax +40 21 3123819 *www.osim.ro* office@osim.ro	1. Legea Nr. 64/1991 privind brevetele de invenţie republicată în Monitorul Oficial al României, Partea I, nr. 613 din 19 august 2014	Monitorul Oficial No. 212/1991 340/2002 752/2002 541/2007		
	[1. Patent Law No. 64/1991, as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, No. 613 of 19 August 2014]		IPLT RO-2-001 (English, French) GRUR Int. 1992, 196 (German)	PL
	2. H.G. nr. 547 din 18 iunie 2008 pentru aprobarea Regulamentului de aplicare a Legii nr. 64/1991 privind brevetele de invenţie	Monitorul Oficial No. 348/2002		
	[2. Government Decision No. 547/2008 of 18 June 2008 for the approval of the Regulations for implementing the Patent Law No. 64/1991]		-	Reg.
	3. O.G. nr. 41/1998 privind taxele în domeniul protecţiei proprietăţii industriale şi regimul de utilizare a acestora, republicată în Monitorul Oficial al României, Partea I, nr. 959 din 29.11.2006	Monitorul Oficial No. 43/1998 471/2002 6/2006 226/9.4.2010		
	[3. Government Ordinance No. 41/1998 on industrial property fees and the use thereof, as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, No. 959 of 29 November 2006]		-	Fees Ord.
	4. Art. III din Legea nr. 66/31.3.2010 pentru modificarea şi completarea Legii nr. 84/1998 privind mărcile şi indicaţiile geografice	Monitorul Oficial No. 226/9.4.2010		
	[4. Art. III of Law No. 66/31.3.2010 amending and supplementing Law No. 84/1998 on trademarks and geographic indications]		-	-
	5. Ordonanţa Nr. 32/1996 din 15 august 1996 pentru ratificarea Acordului de cooperare dintre Guvernul României şi Organizaţia Europeană de Brevete privind cooperarea în domeniul brevetelor	Monitorul Oficial No. 195/1996		
	[5. Ordinance No. 32/1996 of 15 August 1996 for ratification of the Agreement between the Government of Romania and the European Patent Organisation on co-operation in the field of patents]		OJ EPO 1996, 601 (English, French, German)	GO
	6. Legea nr. 32/1997 privind implementarea ordonanţei de extindere			
	[6. Law on the Implementation of the extension ordinance No. 32/1997]		-	Ext. Law
	7. Hotărâre a Guvernului nr. 1.457 din 12 noiembrie 2008 pentru aprobarea Regulamentului de aplicare a Legii nr. 350/2007 privind modelele de utilitate	Monitorul Oficial No. 814/4.12.2008		
	[7. Government decision No. 1.457 of 12 November 2008 adopting implementing regulations for Law No. 350/2007 on utility models]		-	-

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	8. Legea nr. 16 din 6 martie 1995 privind protectia topografiilor produselor semiconductoare	Monitorul Oficial No. 45/9.3.1995 824/6.10.2006		
	[8. Law No. 16 of 6 March 1995 on the protection of topographies of semiconductor products]		-	-
	9. Ordin nr. 6 din 10.1.2007 pentru aprobarea Normelor de aplicare a Legii nr.16/1995 privind protecţia topografiilor produselor semiconductoare	Monitorul Oficial No. 90/5.2.2007		
	[9. Order No. 6 of 10 January 2007 adopting implementing rules for Law No. 16/1995 on the protection of topographies of semiconductor products]		-	-
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.) Intellectual Property Office Kneginje Ljubice 5 11000 BEOGRAD Tel. +381 11 2025800 Fax +381 11 3112377 *www.zis.gov.rs* zis@zis.gov.rs	1. Закон о патентима	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011 No. 113/2017		
	[1. Patent Law, published on 27.12.2011 and 8.12.2017]		Serbian Intellectual Property Office website at *www.zis.gov.rs/upload/documents/pdf_en/pdf_patenti/The Patent Law.pdf* (English)	PL
	2. Правилник о садржини јавних регистара, потврда, пријава и захтева у поступку заштите проналазака, као и о врстама података, начину подношења пријаве и објављивања проналазака	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 113/2012		
	[2. Rules on the content of public registers, certificates, applications and requests in the procedure for the protection of inventions and on types of information, how to file applications and the publication of inventions, published on 30.11.2012]		-	Rules
	3. Закон о потврђивању Споразума између Савезне владе Савезне Републике Југославије и Европске патентне организације о сарадњи у области патената (Споразумом о сарадњи и проширењу)	Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro – International Agreements No. 14/2004		
	[3. Cooperation and Extension Agreement, published on 18.6.2004]		-	CEA

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	4. Закон о републичким административним таксама Закон о изменама и допунама Закона о републичким административним таксама	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 5/2009, No. 35/2009, No. 54/2009, No. 70/2011, No. 55/2012, No. 93/2012, No. 47/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 57/2014, No. 45/2015, No. 50/2016, No. 61/2017 No. 113/2017, No. 3/2018, No. 50/2018		
	[4. Law on the Republic's Administrative Fees *Law on Amendment of the Republic's Administrative Fees (entry into force on 2.8.2013, entry into force of the last amendments on 1.7.2018)]*		-	Fees Law
	5. Закон о посебним овлашћењима ради ефикасне заштите права интелектуалне својине	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 46/2006, No. 104/2009		
	[5. Law on special authorisations for the effective protection of intellectual property rights, published on 16.12.2009]		-	-
	6. Уредба о упису у Регистар заступника који води Савезни завод за интелектуалну својину	Official Gazette of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia No. 39/1995		
	[6. Rules on entry into the Register of Representatives of the Federal Intellectual Property Office, published on 25.8.1995]		-	-
	7. Правилник о начину полагања посебног стручног испита за лица која се баве заступањем у поступку заштите проналазака, жигова, модела, узорака и географских ознака порекла	Official Gazette of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia No. 48/1995		
	[7. Regulations for the specialist examination for representatives in procedures for the protection of inventions, trademarks, models, designs and geographical indications of origin, published on 27.10.1995]		-	-
	8. Закон о општем управном поступку	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 18/2016		
	[8. The Law on General Administrative Procedure, entry into force on 1.6.2017]		-	LGAP

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	9. Закон о потврђивању Конвенције о признавању европских патента (Конвенција о европском патенту) од 5. октобра 1973. године са изменама члана 63. Конвенције о европском патенту од 17. децембра 1991. године и изменама од 29. новембра 2000. године	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia – International Treaties No. 5/2010 Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011		
	[9. Law on the ratification of the Convention on the Grant of European Patents (European Patent Convention) of 5 October 1973 as amended by the act revising Article 63 EPC of 17 December 1991 and the act revising the EPC of 29 November 2000, published on 27.12.2011]		-	LREPC
	10. Закон о патентима (На европске пријаве патената за које је захтевано проширење на Републику Србију, као и на европске патенте који су признати на основу таквих европских пријава примењиваће се одредбе поглавља 15. Закона о патентима ("Службени лист СЦГ", бр. 32/04, 35/04 и "Службени гласник РС", број 115/06)	Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro No. 32/2004, No. 35/2004 Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 115/2006		
	[10. Patent Law, published on 2.7.2004 (the provisions of Chapter XV of the Patent Law ("Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro", No. 32/04, 35/04, and "Official Gazette of RS", No. 115/2006) are still applicable to European patent applications extended to the Republic of Serbia and to European patents which have been granted for such applications)]		-	PL Ext.
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.) Slovenian Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) Kotnikova 6 p.p.206 1000 LJUBLJANA Tel. +386 1 6203100 Fax +386 1 6203111 *www.uil-sipo.si* sipo@uil-sipo.si	1. Zakon o industrijski lastnini	Uradni list RS, št. 51/2006 in 100/2013		
	[1. Industrial Property Act]		WIPO website at *www.wipo.int/wipolex* (English, French) Slovenian Intellectual Property Office website at *www.uil-sipo.si* (English)	PA
	2. Uredba o pristojbinah Urada RS za intelektualno lastnino	Uradni list RS, št. 128/2006		
	[2. Decree on the fees of the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office]		-	Fees Decr.

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	3. Pravilnik o vsebini patentne prijave in postopku z deljenimi patenti	Uradni list RS, št. 102/2001		
	[3. Rules on the content of a patent application and the procedure for divided patents]		-	PR
	4. Pravilnik o registrih prijav in pravic industrijske lastnine ter potrdilu o prednostni pravici	Uradni list RS, št. 102/2001		
	[4. Rules on registering applications and industrial property rights and priority certificates]		-	Reg.Rules
	5. Uredba o razširitvi evropskih patentov na Republiko Slovenijo	Uradni list RS, št. 15/2002		
	[5. Decree on the extension of European patents to the Republic of Slovenia]		OJ EPO 1994, 75 (English, French, German)	Ext. Decr.

Filing of European patent applications pursuant to Article 75(1)(b) and (2) EPC

II.

European patent applications may be filed at the EPO at Munich, its branch at The Hague, its sub-office in Berlin (however not in Vienna) or, if the law of a contracting state so permits, at the central industrial property office or other competent authority of that state.

The following table indicates, for each contracting state, whether European patent applications may be filed at the option of the applicant at the EPO or a national authority, which applications must be filed with the national authorities, the languages in which European patent applications are accepted by the national authorities and what special features need to be borne in mind in connection with the filing.

For the purpose of filing an application, a national representative does not need to be appointed if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business within the territory of the state concerned (Article 133(1) and (2) EPC).

Attention is drawn to the fact that a translation in respect of every application which is not in English, French or German must be filed in one of these languages within two months of filing the European application (Article 14(2), Rule 6(1) EPC). If this translation is not filed in due time, the application is deemed to be withdrawn (Article 14(2), third sentence, EPC).

European divisional applications must always be filed directly with the EPO at Munich, The Hague or Berlin (Article 76(1), first sentence, EPC). The same applies to new European patent applications filed under Article 61(1)(b) EPC (Article 61(2) EPC).

With regard to the languages specified in section 3, applicants are recommended to file applications where possible in the official language(s) of these states as difficulties of communication may arise – in particular in the case of states which have to examine applications in the light of national security regulations - possibly resulting in European patent applications being deemed to be withdrawn because of non-observance of the time limit for forwarding such applications (Article 77(3) EPC).

This table contains no information on extension or validation states because they are not EPC contracting states and so Article 75(1)(b) EPC does not apply to them.

Contracting state Central industrial property office	1 Applicant can choose between EPO and national authorities (subject to section 2)	2 Applications which must be filed with national authorities	3 Languages in which European patent applications must or may be filed with national authorities	4 Official language(s)	5 Special features
Albania Drejtoria e Përgjithshme e Pronësisë Industriale General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) Bulevardi "Zhan D'Ark" Prona Nr. 33 Shtëpia e Ushtarakëve TIRANA Tel. +355 4 22 34 412 Fax +355 4 22 34 412 *www.dppm.gov.al* mailinf@dppm.gov.al	Yes Art. 87/b(1) PL	Applications filed by persons having their residence or principal place of business in Albania and which are of importance for national security and defence Art. 31(6), (7), 87/b(3) PL	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 87/b(5) PL	Albanian	-
Austria Österreichisches Patentamt Dresdner Str. 87 Postfach 95 1200 WIEN Tel. +43 1 53424-0 Fax +43 1 53424-535 *www.patentamt.at* info@patentamt.at	Yes § 2 ILPT	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC § 2 ILPT	German	Applications may also be filed by facsimile* or electronically.**
Belgium Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle auprès du Service public fédéral Économie, PME, Classes moyennes et Énergie City Atrium C Rue du Progrès 50 1210 BRUXELLES Tel. +32 2 2779011 Fax +32 2 2775262 *https://economie.fgov.be/fr/themes/propriete-intellectuelle/institutions-et-acteurs/office-belge-de-la-propriete* opridie-tech@economie.fgov.be	No European patent applications have to be filed with the EPO. Art. XI.82(1) ELC	Applications filed by persons having Belgian nationality or having a residence or their principal place of business in Belgium which may be of importance for national defence or the security of the state Art XI.82(2) ELC	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Official languages for correspondence with OPRI (irrespective of language of patent application): - French - Dutch - German In accordance with rules of Royal Decree of 18 July 1966 co-ordinating the laws on the use of languages for administrative purposes.	Applications may also be filed by facsimile, provided the original is supplied within one month.*

* See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO Special Edition No. 3/2007, 7.

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Bulgaria Patentno vedomstvo na Republica Bulgaria (Bulgarian Patent Office) 52B, Dr. G. M. Dimitrov Blvd. 1040 SOFIA Tel. +359 2 9701302 Fax +359 2 8708325, 8735258 *www.bpo.bg/index.php?lang=en*	Yes Art. 72a(1) PL	Applicants having a permanent address or principal place of business in the Republic of Bulgaria must file European patent applications with the Bulgarian Patent Office, unless the application claims the priority of an earlier application filed with the Office. Art. 72a(2) PL	Bulgarian German English French Art. 72a(1) PL	Bulgarian	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* The option of electronic filing using the EPO Online Filing software was introduced on 1 May 2016. More information at *www.bpo.bg/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=210&Itemid=358* .
Croatia Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo (State Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Croatia) Ulica grada Vukovara 78 10000 ZAGREB Tel. +385 1 6106111, 6106100 Fax +385 1 6112017 *www.dziv.hr* info@dziv.hr	Yes Art. 108.b(1) PA	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to national security Art. 108.b(4) PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 108.b(5) PA	Croatian	Filing the applications by facsimile is not allowed.
Cyprus Department of Registrar of Companies and Official Receiver Ministry of Energy, Commerce, Industry and Tourism Corner Makarios III Ave. and Karpenisiou St., XENIOS Building 1427 NICOSIA Tel. +357 22 404301, 404302 Fax +357 22 304887 *www.mcit.gov.cy/drcor* deptcomp@drcor.mcit.gov.cy	Yes Sect. 64 PL R. 47(1) PFR	Applications by Cypriot nationals unless the priority of an earlier Cypriot application is claimed R. 47(2) PFR	Greek English French German R. 48(1) PFR	Greek	European patent applications which are not filed in Greek must be followed by a translation within 2 months. R. 48(2) PFR

* See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO Special Edition No. 3/2007, 7.

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Czech Republic Industrial Property Office Antonína Čermáka 2a 160 68 PRAHA 6 Tel. +420 2 20383111 Fax +420 2 24324718 *www.upv.cz* posta@upv.cz	Yes § 24(3) PA	Applications containing matters that must be kept secret under special regulations § 24(4) PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Czech	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* § 37(4) APC
Denmark Patent- og Varemærkestyrelsen Helgeshøj Allé 81 2630 TAASTRUP Tel. +45 43 508000 Fax +45 43 508001 *www.dkpto.org* pvs@dkpto.dk	Yes § 75(3) PA	Inventions relating to war material or processes for the manufacture of war material which are owned by a person or an enterprise residing in Denmark or by a Danish institution must be filed at the DKPTO. § 2a(1) Law No. 107/2012	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC provided at least the following is available in Danish or one of the EPO's official languages: (a) a mention that a European patent has been requested (b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted	Danish	Applications may also be filed via the DKPTO website: *www.dkpto.dk/information/selvbetjening* Online filing.
Estonia Patendiamet Estonian Patent Office Toompuiestee 7 15041 TALLINN Tel. +372 6277900 Fax +372 6451342 *www.epa.ee* patendiamet@epa.ee	Yes § 3(1) IA	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC § 4 IA	Estonian	Applications may only be filed by facsimile or other electronic media via the "Portal of electronic filing of applications for legal protection of industrial property" *https://online.epa.ee/* § 3(3) REP

* See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO Special Edition No. 3/2007, 7.

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Finland Patentti- ja rekisterihallitus (Finnish Patent and Registration Office) 00091 PRH Client Service: Sörnäisten rantatie 13 C HELSINKI Tel. +358 29 5095000 Fax +358 29 5095328 *www.prh.fi* registry@prh.fi	Yes § 70f PA	Inventions of importance to the defence of the country if the applicant has a residence or principal place of business in Finland. § 70f PA § 1 Defence Inventions	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC provided at least the following is available in Finnish or Swedish or in one of the EPO's official languages: (a) a mention that a European patent has been requested (b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted	Finnish or Swedish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Applications may also be filed online using EPO Online Filing services. Technical information is available on the PRH website: *www.prh.fi*
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) Boulevard October 11, nr. 25 1000 SKOPJE Tel. +389 2 3103601 Fax +389 2 3137149 *www.ippo.gov.mk* info@ippo.gov.mk	Yes Art. 119 PL	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to national security Art. 71, 72, 73 and 120 PL	Macedonian English French German Art. 120(1) PL	Macedonian	-

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France Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) 15 rue des Minimes CS50001 92677 COURBEVOIE CEDEX Tel. in France: 0820 210 211 Tel. from abroad: +33 1 71087163 *www.inpi.fr* contact@inpi.fr	Yes Art. L. 614-2 PL	Applicants having a residence or their principal place of business in France must file with INPI unless claiming the priority of an earlier French application. Art. L. 614-2 PL	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	French	Applications as in section 1 may be filed, in person or by post, at the EPO or at INPI headquarters in Courbevoie. Art. R. 614-1 Reg. Applications as in section 2 may not be freely disseminated or utilised without the authorisation of the Minister responsible. Such authorisation is automatically deemed to have been given 4 months after the filing date or 14 months after the priority date. Art. L. 614-4 PL Applications may also be filed by fax* at the EPO, or with INPI at the following number only: +33 1 56658600 (see decision of the Director of INPI No. 20142-67 dated 22 April 2014). Applications may also be filed electronically using the online filing software. More information at *www.inpi.fr* Art. R. 614-1 Reg.

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Germany Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt 80297 MÜNCHEN Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 89 2195-2221 Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt Dienststelle Jena 07738 JENA Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 3641 40-5690 Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt Informations- und Dienstleistungszentrum Berlin 10958 BERLIN Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 30 25 992-404 *www.dpma.de* info@dpma.de	Yes Art. II § 4(1) LIPC	Applications which may contain a state secret Art. II § 4(2) LIPC	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	German	Applications as in section 1 may be filed at the EPO, with the DPMA and its patent information centres in the following towns: Aachen, Bremen, Chemnitz, Dortmund, Dresden, Hamburg, Ilmenau, Kaiserslautern, Saarbrücken and Stuttgart. BGBl. 1999 I 648, 2193 BGBl. 2000 I 1416 BGBl. 2001 I 341 BGBl. 2004 I 2599 BGBl. 2009 I 815 BGBl. 2016 I 1137 BGBl. 2017 I 3807 Bl.f.PMZ 1999, 169, 325 Bl.f.PMZ 2000, 353 Bl.f.PMZ 2001, 114 Bl.f.PMZ 2004, 478 Bl.f.PMZ 2009, 201 Bl.f.PMZ 2016, 217 Bl.f.PMZ 2018, 1 In the case of applications as in section 2, the applicant must indicate in an annex that the application may, in the view of the applicant, contain a state secret. Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Applications may also be filed electronically using the DPMA's free software DPMAdirekt or the DE module (developed for German patent applications) of the EPO's *epoline*® software (see § 3(1), (4) OELDDPMA). Electronic filings can be submitted online or on electronic data carriers. Documents filed electronically must bear an electronic signature compliant with the relevant legislation, or an advanced electronic signature issued by an international organisation operating in the field of industrial property and processable by the DPMA (§ 3(3) OELDDPMA). More details about the conditions for processing electronic documents (especially the technical requirements, electronic data carriers accepted, data formats and electronic signatures) are given on the DPMA website: *www.dpma.de* (§§ 3(2) and 4 OELDDPMA).

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Greece Organismos Biomichanikis Idioktisias (OBI) (Hellenic Industrial Property Organisation (OBI)) 5, Gianni Stavroulaki St. 151 25 PARADISSOS AMAROUSSIOU Tel. +30 210 6183508, 6183548 Fax +30 210 6819231 *www.obi.gr* info@obi.gr	Yes Art. 3 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	A European application must be filed with OBI if the applicant is a Greek citizen and the priority of an earlier Greek application is not claimed. Art. 23(1) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 3(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC (see also section 5) Art. 4(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Greek	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* European patent applications which are not drafted in an official language of the EPO must be followed by a translation into one of these languages within two months. Art. 4(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 European patent applications filed by persons not having their residence or principal place of business in Greece must indicate an address for service in Greece (a national representative to accept correspondence). Art. 4(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Applications under section 2 may not be freely disseminated or utilised without the authorisation of the Minister responsible, which may be regarded as granted 30 days after filing if no provisional order that it be kept secret has been issued, or 125 days after filing if no final secrecy order has been issued. Law No. 4325/1963 gives further details. Art. 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 4 Min. Dec. No. 3111/EFA/433 Art. 4(1), (2), 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Law No. 4325/63
Hungary Szellemi Tulajdon Nemzeti Hivatala (Hungarian Intellectual Property Office, HIPO) II. János Pál pápa tér 7 1081 BUDAPEST Postal address: P.O. Box 415 1438 BUDAPEST Tel. +36 1 312 44 00 Fax +36 1 474 5534 *www.hipo.gov.hu* sztnh@hipo.gov.hu	Yes European divisional applications must be filed directly with the European Patent Office (Art 76(1) EPC). Art. 84/C(1) PA Art. 76(1) PromEPC	European patent applications must be filed with the HIPO if the applicant is a Hungarian citizen or has his permanent residence or seat in Hungary, unless they claim the priority of an application filed with the HIPO at least two months previously, which was not classified as state secret by the President of the HIPO. Art. 84/C(2) PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC, provided at least the following is available in Hungarian or one of the EPO's official languages: (a) a mention that a European patent has been requested (b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted Art. 84/C(3) PA	Hungarian	Filing of applications by facsimile is not allowed. The option of electronic filing was introduced on 1 July 2007. Electronic filings can be submitted online via the HIPO's homepage. It is only accessible in Hungarian under *https://ugyintezes.hipo.gov.hu/eBej2/Step1Case1.page*

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Iceland Icelandic Patent Office Engjateigur 3 150 REYKJAVIK Tel. +35 4 580-9400 Fax +35 4 580-9401 *www.els.is* postur@els.is	Yes Art. 75(3) PA	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Icelandic	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* The IPO also accepts electronic filing via *epoline*® Online Filing. Information on how to apply for a smart card accepted by the IPO is available on the IPO website.
Ireland Patents Office Government Buildings Hebron Road KILKENNY R95 H4XC Tel. +353 56 7720111 Fax +353 56 7720100 *www.patentsoffice.ie* patlib@patentsoffice.ie	Yes Sect. 120(7) PA	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Irish English	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
Italy Ufficio Italiano Brevetti e Marchi (UIBM) Ministero dello Sviluppo Economico Via Molise 19 00187 ROMA Tel. +39 06 4705-5643 Fax +39 06 4705-5632, 4705-5635 *www.uibm.gov.it* contactcenteruibm@mise.gov.it	Yes, if priority of an application filed in Italy over 90 days previously is claimed and such application has not been made subject to the official secrets regulations or if the applicant has requested and obtained authorisation from the UIBM for filing abroad Art. 149 PL	European **first applications** filed by applicants having a residence or their principal place of business in Italy Art. 149 PL	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC (see also section 5)	Italian	European patent applications may be filed by postal service (registered mail with advice of delivery) or handed in to the Chamber of Commerce (Camera di Commercio), Viale Oceano Indiano n. 19, Rome. European patent applications which are not filed in Italian must be accompanied by an Italian translation of an exhaustive abstract describing the features of the invention and, where appropriate, by a copy of the drawings. This requirement is **waived** if priority of an application filed in Italy over 90 days previously is claimed and such application has not been made subject to the official secrets regulations, or if the applicant is **not resident** in Italy (see section 2). Art. 149 PL Circular No. 136 of 20.2.1979 Art. 7 Min. Decr. No. 33

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Latvia Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia Citadeles iela 7(70) 1010 RIGA Tel. +371 6 7099600 Fax +371 6 7099650 *www.lrpv.gov.lv* valde@lrpv.gov.lv Art. 69(1) PL	Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 69(1) PL	Latvian	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed.
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland				
Lithuania The State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania Kalvarijų g. 3 09310 VILNIUS Tel. +370 5 2780250 Fax +370 5 2750723 *http://vpb.lrv.lt* info@vpb.gov.lt Art. 77(1) PL	Yes	Applications containing a professional or state secret Art. 77(4) PL	All the languages pursuant to Art.14(2) EPC	Lithuanian	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed.
Luxembourg Ministère de l'Économie Office de la propriété intellectuelle 19-21, boulevard Royal 2914 LUXEMBOURG Tel. +352 247-84113 Fax +352 247-94113 *www.gouvernement.lu/pi* dpi@eco.etat.lu Art. 7 Law of 27.5.77	Yes	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to national security Art. 8 Law of 27.5.77 Law of 8.7.67 Reg. of 18.9.69	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	French German Luxembourgish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*

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Malta Industrial Property Registrations Directorate Commerce Department Ministry for the Economy, Investment and Small Businesses (Malta) Lascaris Bastions Dahlet Gnien is-Sultan VALLETTA, VLT 1933 Tel. +356 2569 0100, 2122 6688 *www.commerce.gov.mt* ipoffice@gov.mt	Yes R. 5(3) L.N. 99/2007	Applications that may affect the national security, except in cases where priority is claimed from first filing in Malta. R. 5(3) L.N. 99/2007	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC (see also section 5) R. 5(1) L.N. 99/2007	Maltese English R. 5 L.N. 117/2002	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed. A transmittal fee (EUR 46.59 plus postage) is payable when filing the application. European patent applications which are not filed in Maltese or English must be followed within one month by an English translation of (a) a mention that a European patent has been requested (b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted.
Monaco Direction de l'Expansion Économique Division de la Propriété Intellectuelle 9 Rue du Gabian 98000 MONACO Tel. +377 98989801 Fax +377 92057520 *https://mcipo.gouv.mc* mcipo@gouv.mc	Yes Art. 1 SO No. 10.427	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 1 MD	French	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Art. 1 MD
Netherlands Octrooicentrum Nederland (Netherlands Patent Office) P.O. Box 10366 2501 HJ DEN HAAG Tel. +31 88 042 66 60 *www.rvo.nl/octrooien* octrooicentrum@rvo.nl	No European patent applications must be filed at the EPO.	Applications whose content must be kept secret in the interest of the defence of the Kingdom Art. 46 PA	n/a	Dutch	Care should be taken not to address European patent applications, which are filed at the branch of the EPO at The Hague, to the NPO. The postal address of the branch of the EPO at The Hague is as follows: "Postbus 5818, 2280 HV RIJSWIJK"

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Norway Norwegian Industrial Property Office (NIPO) Patentstyret Postboks 4863 Nydalen 0422 OSLO Tel. +47 22 38 73 00 Fax +47 22 38 73 01 *www.patentstyret.no* post@patentstyret.no	Yes § 66a PL	Patent applications regarding inventions relating to war materials or processes for the manufacture of war materials for which the applicant wants protection in Norway, must be filed with NIPO. § 3 Defence Act	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Norwegian Patent applications can also be filed and processed in English.	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
Poland Urząd Patentowy RP (Patent Office of the Republic of Poland) Al. Niepodległości 188/192 P.O. Box 203 00-950 WARSZAWA Tel. +48 22 5790555 Fax +48 22 5790001 *www.uprp.pl*	Yes	Applicants having their seat or residence in Poland must file any European patent applications with the Polish Patent Office. Art. 40 IPL	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC If a European patent application is drawn up in a foreign language, it must be accompanied by a translation into Polish. Art. 3 EPAL	Polish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile or in an electronic version. If the application is filed by facsimile, the original copy must be furnished within 30 days of the date on which the transmission by facsimile was effected.* For **European** patent applications the PL Patent Office also admits electronic filing. SMART cards accepted. Digital certificates issued by the following certification authorities are accepted for EP e-filing by the RO: European Patent Office CA (Pink Roccade) 1. Server addresses: **PCT** PROD: *https://pctsafe.uprp.pl/olf/pctreceiver* DEMO: *https://pctsafe.uprp.pl/demo/olf/pctreceiver* **EP** DEMO: *https://eolf.uprp.pl/demo/olf/receiver* PROD: *https://eolf.uprp.pl/olf/receiver* Art. 13 §§ 2 and 3 IPL

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Portugal Instituto Nacional da Propriedade Industrial (INPI) Campo das Cebolas 1149-035 LISBOA Tel. +351 21 8818100 Fax: +351 21 8869859 *www.inpi.pt* servico.publico@inpi.pt	Yes Art. 76(1) PA	Applicants having their residence or principal place of business in Portugal must file any European patent application with INPI unless claiming the priority of an earlier Portuguese application. Art. 76(2) PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC provided at least the following is available in Portuguese or in one of the EPO's official languages: (a) a mention that a European patent has been requested (b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted (see also section 5) Art. 77(1) PA	Portuguese	Applications are to be filed on paper, but may also be filed by facsimile,* provided the paper copy is received at the INPI within 5 working days of the date on which the transmission by facsimile was effected. A transmittal fee (EUR 21.04) is payable when filing the application. European patent applications which are not filed in Portuguese must be followed within one month – unless the priority of an earlier Portuguese national filing is claimed – by a translation into Portuguese of the description, claims and abstract, and by a copy of the drawings even if these contain no text for translation. Fees Res. Art. 77(2) PA
Romania State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) 5, Ion Ghica Street 030044 BUCUREŞTI 3 Tel. +40 21 3060-800, 3060-801, 3060-802, ..., 3060-829 Fax +40 21 3123819 *www.osim.ro* office@osim.ro	Yes European divisional applications must always be filed direct with the EPO (Art. 76(1) EPC). Art. 3 AccEPCLaw	EP applications for inventions made in Romania and with subject-matter of significance for national security must be filed with the OSIM Art. 4(2) AccEPCLaw	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 4(1) AccEPCLaw	Romanian	Filing the applications by facsimile is not allowed.
San Marino Ufficio di Stato Brevetti e Marchi (USBM) Repubblica di San Marino Via 28 Luglio, 212 47893 BORGO MAGGIORE B4 Rep. San Marino Tel. +378 0549 88 38 59 Fax +378 0549 88 38 56 *www.usbm.sm* info.brevettiemarchi@pa.sm	Yes	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Italian	European patent applications may be filed by post or by facsimile* or direct with the USBM.

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Serbia Intellectual Property Office Kneginje Ljubice 5 11000 BEOGRAD Tel. +381 11 20 25 800 Fax +381 11 311 23 77 *www.zis.gov.rs* zis@zis.gov.rs	Yes European divisional applications (Art. 76(1) EPC) and new European patent applications referred to in Art. 61(1)(b) EPC must be filed directly with the European Patent Office. Art. 146(4) PL	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 146(6) PL	Serbian	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed. Art. 20 Rules
Slovakia Úrad priemyselného vlastníctva Slovenskej republiky Švermova 43 974 04 BANSKÁ BYSTRICA 4 Tel. +421 48 4300-131 Fax +421 48 4132563 *www.indprop.gov.sk, www.upv.sk* podatelna@indprop.gov.sk	Yes § 66 PA	Applications filed by natural or legal persons of Slovak nationality or having a residence or their principal place of business in Slovakia and which are of importance for national security and defence § 59 PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Slovak	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* The Slovak Industrial Property Office admits electronic filing. Electronic filing software: *epoline*® Online Filing software Type of electronic signature: EPO Smart Card Server addresses: Demo mode: *https://eolf.upv.sk/demo/olf/receiver* Production mode: *https://eolf.upv.sk/olf/receiver* Helpdesk: Tel. +421 48 4300-332 Fax +421 48 4300-350 helpdesk@indprop.gov.sk
Slovenia Slovenian Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) Kotnikova 6 p.p.206 1000 LJUBLJANA Tel. +386 1 6203100 Fax +386 1 6203111 *www.uil-sipo.si* sipo@uil-sipo.si	Yes Art. 25(1) IPA	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Art. 25(1) IPA	Slovenian	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Art. 80(2) IPA

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Spain Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas Paseo de la Castellana, 75 28046 MADRID Tel. +34 902 157530 Fax +34 91 3495597 *www.oepm.es* informacion@oepm.es	Yes Art. 152.2 NPL	Applicants having their head office, domicile, normal residence or permanent place of business in Spain must file in Spain unless claiming the priority of an earlier Spanish application.	Spanish English German French (see also section 5) Art. 152.4 NPL	Spanish	European patent applications which are not filed in Spanish and do not claim the priority of an earlier filing made in Spain must be accompanied by a translation into Spanish of the title of the invention and the abstract. A translation of the description, claims and drawings will only be necessary upon request by the OEPM for reasons of national security. Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Applications can be filed online using the ES-EOLF V5.0 software developed on the basis of the EPO's EPOLINE OLF V5.0 software. The main features are: - Requirement for electronic signature issued by Fábrica Nacional de Moneda y Timbre - Use of CERES smart card - Registration with the OEPM The software can be downloaded at: *ftp://ftp.oepm.es/anon/SoftEpoline/Modulo_Cliente/es_(ep_pct_210sp4)_12.exe* All the relevant details can be found (in Spanish) at: *https://sede.oepm.gob.es/eSede/es/invenciones/EOLF_Solicitud_Electronica.html* Art. 152.4 NPL Art. 93 RD 316
Sweden Patent- och registreringsverket Box 5055 102 42 STOCKHOLM Tel. +46 8 7822500 Fax +46 8 6660286 *www.prv.se* prv@prv.se	Yes § 80(2) PA	Defence inventions which have been made in Sweden or belong to a person domiciled in Sweden or to a Swedish legal person must be filed at the SE Patent Office or submitted to the Gransknings-nämnden för försvarsuppfinningar (Defence inventions examination committee). Defence Invention Act	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Swedish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* The SE Patent Office admits electronic filing by use of *epoline*® Online Filing. Users of *epoline*® have to apply for an EPO SmartCard. See *www.epo.org/applying/online-services/online-filing.html*

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Switzerland / Liechtenstein Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property (IPI) Stauffacherstr. 65/59g 3003 BERN Tel. +41 31 3777777 Fax +41 31 3777778 *www.ige.ch* Art. 115 PO	Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Switzerland: German French Italian Liechtenstein: German	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.* Filing by email only to the addresses specified by the IPI.
Turkey Turkish Patent and Trademark Office Türk Patent ve Marka Kurumu (TÜRKPATENT) Hipodrom Cad. No: 115 06560 YENIMAHALLE - ANKARA Tel. +90 312 3031000 Fax +90 312 3031173 *www.turkpatent.gov.tr* contact@turkpatent.gov.tr R. 6 RegEPC	Yes	Applications relating to inventions which have been made in Turkey and which are of importance for national security R. 6 RegEPC	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC R. 6 RegEPC	Turkish	European patent applications filed by persons not having their residence or principal place of business in Turkey may file the application in one of the languages indicated in section 3, but must indicate an address for service in Turkey. R. 6 RegEPC

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United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (IPO) Concept House Cardiff Road NEWPORT South Wales NP10 8QQ Tel. +44 1633 814000 Fax +44 1633 81 7777 *or* Intellectual Property Office (IPO) London Branch Office 1st Floor 4 Abbey Orchard Street LONDON SW1P 2HT *www.gov.uk/government/organisations/intellectual-property-office* information@ipo.gov.uk	Yes Sect. 23(1), (1A), (2) PA	Applications filed or caused to be filed by persons resident in the United Kingdom and which contain information relating to military technology or other information whose publication might be prejudicial to national security or the safety of the public, unless: (a) an application has been filed at the IPO for the same invention not less than six weeks before filing the European patent application outside the United Kingdom and either the comptroller of the IPO has not prohibited the publication of the invention under Section 22 PA or any such prohibition has been revoked, or (b) an application for the same invention was first filed in a country outside the United Kingdom by persons resident abroad, or (c) written authority to file the application outside the United Kingdom has been obtained from the comptroller of the IPO. See *www.gov.uk/national-security-checks-on-patent-applications* for further information. Sect. 23(1), (1A), (2) PA	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	English	Applications may also be filed by facsimile (+44 1633 817777).* Applications may also be filed online via EPO Online Services by users who have registered with the IPO. Details are available from *www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-patent* . Copies of all forms referred to in the following tables can be obtained from the Newport address given in the left-hand section, and can be downloaded from the website at: *www.gov.uk/government/publications/patent-forms-and-fees*

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A. Rights conferred by a European patent application after publication pursuant to Article 93 EPC (Article 67 EPC)

B. Translations for obtaining provisional protection pursuant to Article 67(3) EPC

Under Article 67(1) EPC, from the date of its publication a European patent application provisionally confers on the applicant such protection as is conferred by Article 64 EPC in the contracting states designated in the application as published, i.e. the same rights as would be conferred by a national patent granted in those states.

Pursuant to Article 67(2), however, contracting states may prescribe that a European patent application does not confer the protection referred to in Article 64 EPC. The protection attached to the publication of the European patent application may not, though, be less than that which would result from publication of an unexamined national patent application. The applicant must at least be given the right to claim compensation reasonable in the circumstances from an unauthorised user.

A further exception to the basic rule in Article 67(1) is laid down in Article 67(3) regarding the date from which provisional protection is effective.

Under that provision any contracting state which does not have as an official language the language of the proceedings may prescribe that provisional protection shall not be effective until such time as a translation of the claims in one of its official languages at the option of the applicant or, where that state has prescribed the use of one specific official language, in that language:

(a) has been made available to the public in the manner prescribed by national law, or

(b) has been communicated to the person using the invention in the said state.

No time limits are prescribed for filing the above-mentioned translations in the contracting states: provisional protection in the individual contracting states becomes effective only when the conditions referred to in Article 67(3) EPC have been fulfilled.

The following table also shows for the extension and validation states what rights are conferred by a European patent application and what translation requirements have to be met to obtain provisional protection after its publication under national law.

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Albania	Yes Art. 87/ç(2) PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances	Yes	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 87/ç(2) PL
Austria	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) § 4(1) ILPT	Reasonable consideration § 4(1) ILPT	Yes § 4(2) ILPT	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user § 4(2) ILPT
Belgium	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	Yes Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the person who used the invention in Belgium Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***
Bulgaria	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 72b(3), 18 PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 72b(3), 18(3) PL	Yes Art. 72b(2) PL	The right arises on the date the mention of the filing of the translation is published in the Official Bulletin. Art. 72b PL
Croatia	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 108.d(2) PA	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage Art. 60(1) PA	Yes Art. 108.d(2) PA	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 108.d(2) PA
Cyprus	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Sect. 28(1) PL	Reasonable compensation, possibly interlocutory remedies and invalidation. The court hearing the infringement action can stay proceedings until the patent is granted. Sect. 28(2), 61(2), 72(1) PL	Yes Sect. 65 PL	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Sect. 65 PL
Czech Republic	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) § 35a(4), 11(3) PA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances § 35a(4), 11(3) PA	Yes § 35a(4) PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, and notice of the fact is published in Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office) § 35a(4) PA

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** European patent applications filed before 13 December 2007.

*** European patent applications filed after 22 September 2014.

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Denmark	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) § 83(2) PA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances § 58, 83(2) PA	Yes § 83(1) PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 § 83(2) PA
Estonia	Yes § 6 IA § 18 PA	Injunction; administrative or criminal liability; damages § 6 IA §§ 52, 53 PA	Yes § 6 IA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user § 6 IA
Finland	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) § 70n PA	Damages; compensation reasonable in the circumstances § 58, 70n PA	Yes § 70n PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, and notice of the fact is published in Patenttilehti (Finnish Patent Bulletin) § 70n PA
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Yes	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage Art. 291, 294, 295, 296 PL	Yes Art. 122(2), (3) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
France	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. L. 614-9 PL	Damages; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application; the court hearing the infringement action stays proceedings until the patent is granted. Art. L. 614-9, L. 613-3 to L. 613-7, L. 615-4 and L. 615-5 PL	Yes Art. L. 614-9 PL	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Art. L. 614-9 PL Art. R. 614-11 Reg.
Germany	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. II § 1(1) LIPC	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. II § 1(1) LIPC	Yes Art. II § 1(2) LIPC	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Art. II § 1(2) LIPC
Greece	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 23(2) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 10 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Damages; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application; the court hearing the infringement action can stay decisions until the patent is granted. Art. 17(3) Law No. 1733/87	Yes Art. 23(3) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 10 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 10, 10a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Hungary	Yes Art. 84/E(1) PA	Commencement of action due to patent infringement: The patent applicant may request (1) that the fact of infringement be declared by the court (2) an injunction that the infringer cease his infringement or any acts directly threatening with it (3) satisfaction from the infringer by way of a declaration or by other appropriate means; if necessary, the declaration shall be made public by the infringer or at his expense (4) that the infringer give information on the identity of third persons involved in the production and distribution of the infringing goods or in the supply of infringing services and of their channels of distribution (5) the surrender of the enrichment obtained by the infringement of the patent (6) the seizure, the transfer to a specific person, the recall and the definitive removal from the channels of commerce, or destruction, of the infringing products, as well as of the means and materials exclusively or principally used for infringement. The applicant may also claim damages under the rules of civil liability. The court hearing the infringement action stays proceedings until the patent is granted. Art. 19, 35(2), (3) and 36(1) PA	Yes Art. 84/E(1) PA	When the mention of the filing of the translation of the claims has been published in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" (Gazette of Patents and Trademarks) Art. 84/E(1) PA
Iceland	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 83 PA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 58(2), 83(2) PA	Yes Art. 83(1) PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 83(2) PA
Ireland	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Sect. 44, 56, 120 PA	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent. Sect. 56 PA	Yes Sect. 120(6) PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Sect. 56(1), 120(6) PA

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Italy	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 54 PL	Damages; possibly description and seizure of the articles infringing the patent application and anything used in the making thereof Art. 124, 126, 128, 129, 130, 131 PL	Yes Art. 54 PL	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Art. 54 PL
Latvia	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 70 PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 18(2) PL	Yes Art. 70(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user or is made available to the public in accordance with Part III.B, section 5 Art. 70(2)(3) PL
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland			
Lithuania	Yes (Art. 67(3)(a) EPC) Art. 78(2) PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 52(1) PL	Yes Art. 78(2) PL	Date of publication of translation of the claims in the official bulletin Art. 78(2) PL
Luxembourg	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 3(1) Law of 27.5.77	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 3(2) Law of 27.5.77	Yes Art. 4(1) Law of 27.5.77	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Art. 92(1) PL
Malta	Yes (Art 67(1) EPC) Art. 28 PA 2000 R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	The same rights as national applications Art. 27 PA 2000 R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	No	n/a
Monaco	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 2 SO No. 10.427	Damages and possibly fine; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application Art. 44, 45, 48, 50 PA	Yes Art. 2(2) SO No. 10.427	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user. (The translation is to be sent only to the alleged infringer and not to the MC Patent Office.) Art. 2(2) SO No. 10.427
Netherlands	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 72(1), (2) PA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 72(1), (2) PA	Yes Art. 72(3) PA	30 days after notification of the applicant's rights (writ) has been served on the user; this writ must be accompanied by the Dutch translation of the claims or else indicate that the translation has been entered in the patent register. Art. 72(3) PA

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Norway	Yes § 66g PL	Compensation most favourable for applicant (§ 58(1)(a)-(c) PL) §§ 66g(2), 58(1) and (2) PL	Yes § 66g (1) PL	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public (published in "Norsk patenttidende" - Norwegian Patents Gazette) in accordance with table III.B, section 5 § 66g (1) and (2) PL
Poland	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 4 § 2 EPAL Art. 287 IPL	Cessation of the infringement, redress of its consequences, surrender of the unlawfully obtained profits and in case of culpable infringement: - compensation for damages in accordance with the general principles of law, or - payment of a sum of money equal to the licence fee, or other suitable payment, provided that the right holder consents to the use of the invention. The right holder may demand the publication of part or all of the judicial decision. If the infringement was unintentional, judicial authorities may order pecuniary compensation to be paid to the injured party where redress of the consequences would cause disproportionate harm and where pecuniary compensation to the injured party appears reasonably satisfactory. Art. 287 IPL	Yes Art. 4 § 2 EPAL	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, and notice of the fact is published in Biuletyn Urzędu Patentowego (Bulletin of the PL Patent Office) Art. 4 § 2 EPAL

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Portugal	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 78(1), 5(1), (2), (3) PA	Article 78 of the Portuguese Industrial Property Code reads as follows: "1 - After European patent applications have been published under the terms of the European Patent Convention, they shall enjoy provisional protection equivalent to that afforded to published national patent applications as of the date on which a Portuguese translation of the claims, accompanied by a copy of the drawings, is available to the public at the National Industrial Property Institute. 2 - The National Industrial Property Institute shall publish a notice in the Industrial Property Bulletin with the indications necessary to identify the European patent application. 3 - As of the date of publication of the notice referred to in the previous paragraph, anyone may have access to the translated text and obtain copies thereof." Art. 78(1), (2), (3) PA	Yes Art. 78(1) PA	When the translation of the claims and a copy of the drawings is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user Art. 78(1), (2), 5(1), (2) PA
Romania	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw Art. 33 PL	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent. Art. 59(4) PL	Yes Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw
San Marino	Yes (Art. 67 EPC) Art. 4(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009	Rights identical to those conferred by a national patent (cessation of infringement, redress in respect of its conse-quences, surrender of unlawfully obtained profits and compensation for damages) Art. 118, 121 PA	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user or when the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 4(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009 as modified by Art. 31 Law No. 219/2014

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Serbia	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC) Art. 148(2), 150(3)(4) PL	Damages; action may be brought from the date on which the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia (Art. 148, 150(3)(4) PL). Art. 132(2)(3) PL	Yes Art. 148(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia Art. 148(2), 150(3)(4) PL
Slovakia	Yes (Art. 67(3)(a) EPC) § 60(3) PA	As from the day on which the translation of the patent claims is made available to the public, the European patent applicant has the same rights as an applicant for a national (Slovak) patent application, provided that a European patent is granted with effects in the Slovak Republic. § 15(1) and 60(3) PA	Yes § 60 PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public, and notice to this effect is published in the Official Journal § 60(3) PA
Slovenia	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 26(2), 122(4) IPA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent. Art. 122(4) IPA	Yes Art. 26(2) IPA	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 26(2) IPA
Spain	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 67 and 153 NPL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 67 NPL	Yes Art. 154 NPL Art. 94 RD 316	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 154 NPL
Sweden	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) § 88(2) PA	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances § 58, 87, 88(2) PA	Yes § 88(1) PA	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, and notice of the fact is published in the Swedish Patent Bulletin § 88(2) PA
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 111 PA	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent. Art. 111(2), 73(3) PA	No	n/a
Turkey	Yes (Art. 67(3) EPC) R. 8 RegEPC	Damages; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application Art. 137 DL No. 551 Art. 156 IPL	Yes R. 9 RegEPC	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user R. 8 RegEPC

Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
United Kingdom	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Damages; court proceedings may only be brought after grant of the patent	Yes	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5, or communicated to the user
	Sect. 78(1), (2), (3)(d), 69 PA	Sect. 69 PA (see also Sect. 62 PA regarding innocent infringers)	Sect. 78(7), (8) PA R. 56 PR	Sect. 78(7) PA

Validation state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			
Morocco	Yes Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97	Exclusive right of use as from the date of filing the application; right to sue for infringement; damages and interest; possibly seizure of articles infringing the patent Art. 44, 51, 202, 211, 212 Law No. 17-97	Yes Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public in accordance with table III.B, section 5 Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97
Republic of Moldova	Yes Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008	From the date of publication until grant of a patent, patent applications confer on the applicant the right to prevent third parties not having his consent from: (a) manufacturing, offering for sale, selling or using the protected product or importing or stocking it for these purposes; (b) using a process which is the subject-matter of the patent application or, where the third party knows, or it is obvious in the circumstances, that use of the process is prohibited without the applicant's consent, offering that process for use; (c) offering for sale, selling or using a product obtained directly by a process which is the subject-matter of the patent or importing or stocking it for these purposes; in the territory of the Republic of Moldova. Art. 19(1), 20(2) Law No. 50/2008	Yes Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008	As from the date on which a translation of the claims in the published European patent application into Romanian has been published by AGEPI, following the payment of the prescribed publication fee. Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			

Extension state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yes Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent Art. 69(1) PL	Yes Art. 5(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL
Montenegro	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC) Art. 144(2) PL	A published European patent application shall confer on the applicant the same protection under this Law as is conferred by a national patent application, as from the date on which a translation of the claims of the published European patent application into Montenegrin is communicated by the applicant to the person using the invention in Montenegro. The European patent application shall be deemed not to have had the effect specified in paragraph 2 of this Article, *ab initio*, if the request for extension has been withdrawn or is deemed to have been withdrawn. Art. 144(2) and (3) in conj. with Art. 45(2) PL	Yes Art. 144(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 144(2) PL

Former extension state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	Yes Art. 81(1)(2) PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 27 PL	Yes Art. 81(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the person using the invention in Albania Art. 81(2) PL
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	Yes Art. 102(2) PA	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage Art. 60(1) PA	Yes Art. 102(2) PA	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 102(2) PA
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Yes Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage Art. 201, 202, 203, 204 PL	Yes Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	Yes R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2), 18(2), 18(3) PL	Yes R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2), (3) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user or is made available to the public in accordance with Part III.B, section 5 R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	Yes Art. 70(2) PL	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances Art. 52(1) PL	Yes Art. 70(2) PL	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 70(2) PL

Former extension state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	4 When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	Yes Art. 33 PL Art. IV.2 GO	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent. Art. 59(4) PL	Yes Art. IV.2 GO	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public by OSIM (see table III.B, section 5) Art. 34 PL Art. IV.2 GO
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	Yes Art. 123(2), 125(3) PL Ext.	Damages; action may be brought from the date on which the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia (Art. 123(2) PL Ext.) or, in case the translation is corrected (Art. 125(3) PL Ext.), from the date the correction of the translation is published. Art. 132(2)(3) PL Ext.	Yes Art. 123(2) PL Ext.	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia (Art. 123(2) PL Ext.) or, in case the translation is corrected (Art. 125(3) PL Ext.), from the date the correction of the translation is published. Art. 123(2), 125(3) PL Ext.
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	Yes Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent. Art. 122(4) IPA	Yes Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Albania	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP Art. 195(2) PL	(a) ALL 7 000 (b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 87/ç PL Fees Decr.	Albanian Art. 87/ç(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) 2
Austria	Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria. However, if the residence or place of business is in the EEA, a person authorised to accept service who is a resident of Austria may be appointed instead. (The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain cases.) § 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	(a) EUR 186 (including EUR 30 document fees) plus EUR 135 for every 15 pages following the 16th page of the translation For sequence listings forming a separate part of the translated description, the fee is charged for up to a maximum of 400 pages. (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. § 4(2) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF	German § 4(2) ILPT	(a) No (b) 1

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5 **Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public**	6 **Correction of translation** **(a) permitted?** **(b) Special fee payable?**	7 **Special features**
Publication in the official bulletin Art. 87/ç(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000 Art. 87/dh(3) PL	-
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin (Patentblatt) § 4(2) ILPT	(a) Yes (b) Yes, as in section 2 § 6(2)-(4) ILPT § 8, 8a LPOF	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has duly been provided. § 30 LPOF § 8(5) POR

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Belgium	Yes, in the case of natural or legal persons having neither a residence nor their actual place of business in a member state of the EU. Natural or legal persons obliged or wishing to be represented in patent matters before the OPRI by a third party must use a professional representative, i.e. - a patent attorney authorised to act before the OPRI - a lawyer on the Belgian roll of lawyers or list of trainee lawyers - a lawyer and a patent attorney who are nationals of an EU member state and are authorised to practise in that member state - a lawyer authorised to practise in Belgium by law or under an international treaty. Natural or legal persons having their residence or an actual place of business in a member state of the EU may be represented in patent matters before the OPRI by an employee, who need not be a professional representative but must be authorised. Art. XI.62, XI.64, XI.65 and XI.66 ELC	(a) No (b) n/a	French, Dutch or German (with regard to European patent applications filed before 13 December 2007 in German, see OJ EPO 1999, 320) Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	(a) No (b) 1 Art. 3(1) RD of 5.12.07* Art. 4(1) RD of 27.2.81** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***
Bulgaria	Yes Applicants with no permanent address or principal place of business in the Republic of Bulgaria are required to act in proceedings before the Bulgarian Patent Office through local industrial property representatives. Art. 3(2) PL	(a) For the publication of the mention of the filing of the translation: BGN 45 (b) No mention of the filing of the translation is published in the Official Bulletin until the fee for publication has been paid. Art. 72b(2) PL	Bulgarian Art. 72b(2) PL	(a) No (b) 3 Art. 72b(2) PL
Croatia	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Croatian	(a) n/a (b) n/a

* European patent applications filed between 13 December 2007 and 21 September 2014.

** European patents for which the application was filed before 13 December 2007.

*** European patent applications filed after 22 September 2014.

5 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	6 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	7 Special features
The translations filed with the OPRI and related bibliographic data can be inspected in the Belgian Patent Register, accessible via the OPRI website (*http://bpp.economie.fgov.be/fo-eregister-view/*) Copies available	(a) Yes (errors of transcription) (b) No	The translation must contain the EP application's file number and date of filing and its publication number and date, the name of the applicant and a translation of the title of the invention.
Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3 RD of 5.12.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. 4 RD of 27.2.81** Art. XI.82(3) ELC*** Art. 3 RD of 12.5.15***	Art. 6 RD of 5.12.07* Art. 7 RD of 27.2.81** Art. 7 RD of 12.5.15***	Art. 7 RD of 5.12.07** Art. 3 RD of 12.5.15***
On the date of publication of the mention of receipt of the translation, the translated claims are simultaneously made available in paper form (one copy) at the Patent Library in the Bulgarian Patent Office.	(a) Yes (b) Fee for publication of the mention of the correction in the Official Bulletin: BGN 45	Corrections concerning the claims of a European patent application must be made available to the public by the Bulgarian Patent Office at the same time as the mention in the Bulletin is published, and have effect with respect to third parties as of the publication date of the mention. The translation of the claims must be accompanied by a translation of the bibliographic data of the European patent application (name and address of the applicant, title of the invention, the EP application and publication numbers, number and date of European Patent Bulletin).
Art. 72b(2) PL	Art. 72d(3) PL	Art. 72b(2), 72d(3)(4) PL
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer. Art. 108.d(2) PA

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Cyprus	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Cyprus must appoint a professional representative resident in Cyprus. Sect. 79(2) PL	(a) EUR 100 (b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. R. 53(1) PFR	Greek R. 53(2) PFR	(a) Yes, Form P.18 (b) 2 R. 53 PFR
Czech Republic	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business on the territory of the Czech Republic should be represented by a patent attorney or a legal practitioner. It is not strictly required in the case of EU citizens; an address for correspondence in the Czech Republic must be given. § 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession	(a) CZK 500 (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. § 35a(4) PA	Czech § 35a(4) PA	(a) No (b) 1
Denmark	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Danish § 83(1) PA	(a) No, but recommended (b) 1

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Mention in the official gazette Copies available Inspection in reading room R. 53(5) PFR	(a) Yes (Form P.5) (b) EUR 100 Sect. 67 PL R. 6(2), 13(1) PFR	Proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation. R. 53(1) PFR The EP application and publication number, the name and address of the applicant and the title of the invention must be submitted with the translation. Where a priority is claimed the relevant particulars must be stated. R. 53(2) PFR The filing of the translation is recorded in the Record Book, vol. B Part B. R. 53(4) PFR
Mention in the Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office) Inspection in reading room Copies available; scanned copies are also available in the National Database of Patents and Utility Models (*www.upv.cz*) § 35a(4) PA	(a) Yes (b) No § 35a(6) PA	The translation must contain - the name and address of the applicant - the EP application and publication number - the title of the invention in Czech.
Mention in "Dansk Patenttidende" (Danish Patent Gazette) Internet Inspection in reading room Copies available § 83(1) PA §§ 98, 99 PO	(a) Yes (b) Yes § 86 PA	The EP application number and the name and address of the applicant must be given with the translation. Otherwise the translation is deemed not to have been filed. § 97 PO

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Estonia	No, but it is recommended (see also section 7). § 19 REP	(a) EUR 32 (b) Date on which translation is filed § 6 IA § 109(1) FA	Estonian § 6 IA	(a) No (see also section 7) (b) 2 § 20(4) REP
Finland	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Finnish If the applicant's own language is Swedish the translation may be filed in Swedish. § 70n PA	(a) No (b) 1
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Yes, for foreign applicants	(a) No (b) n/a	Macedonian	(a) No (b) 2
France	No, but it is recommended that an address for service in France be given. The authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation.	(a) EUR 36 (b) Date on which translation is filed (see also section 7) Art. R. 614-11 and R. 614-18 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08	French Art. L. 614-9 PL	(a) No (b) 1 INPI Notice in PIBD 1995 IV 128

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Mention in "Eesti Patendileht" (Official Gazette) Copies available § 6 IA	(a) Yes (b) No § 9 IA	A request for publication and proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation. The following information must be given in the request: - European application number - European application date - any priority data, if applicable - the IPC - the title of the invention - the applicant's name and address - the representative's name and address for service, if applicable. Translations may also be filed by a common representative, if any, or authorised professional representative before the EPO. A duly authorised professional representative or common representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. A power of attorney must be submitted with the translation, when the translation is filed by the Estonian patent attorney. The Office accepts an Estonian patent attorney whose name is entered in the State Register of Patent Attorneys as specialising in the legal protection of inventions and layout designs of integrated circuits. If the translation does not comply with the requirements, an Estonian patent attorney must be appointed to submit the corrections. The translation is not deemed to have been filed until all the requirements have been met. §§ 19 to 22 REP
Published in electronic form Copies available Mention in "Patenttilehti" (Finnish patent bulletin) Entry in a separate diary, open to the public § 70n PA §§ 52t, 52x PD	(a) Yes (b) No § 70q PA	The EP application number and the name and address of the applicant must accompany the translation. Otherwise the translation is deemed not to have been filed. § 52v PD
Translation and any corrections published in the official gazette online	(a) Yes (b) No	The translation is to be filed with SOIP and also to be notified to the alleged infringer.
Notice of the filing of the translation appears in the official bulletin (BOPI) Art. R. 614-11 Reg.	(a) Yes (b) EUR 36 Art. L. 614-10 PL Art. R. 614-12 and R. 614-18 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08	A request for publication and proof of payment of the requisite fee must be submitted with the translation. Art. R. 614-11 Reg.

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Germany	No	(a) EUR 60 (b) Within three months of receipt of the request for publication	German	(a) Yes, EPA/DPMA 110 (see also section 7) *www.dpma.de/patent/formulare/formulareeuropaeischundinternational/index.html* (b) 1
		Art. II § 2(1) LIPC §§ 3(1), 6(1) LPF No. 313800 Fees Schedule LPF	Art. II § 1(2) LIPC	§§ 1, 2 Publ. Reg.
Greece	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Greece must appoint a representative for service (any natural person or any attorney) resident in Greece.	(a) EUR 100 (b) Date on which translation is filed with the OBI Mention of the filing of the translation is published only when the fee has been paid.	Greek The translation must be certified by a Greek legal practitioner or by an authority empowered to do so (i.e. the Translation Service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at 10 Arionos Street, Athens, or any Greek Consulate abroad).	(a) Yes *(www.obi.gr/obi/Portals/0/ImagesAndFiles/Files/Forms/obi-a03.doc* (b) 2 (see also section 7)
	Art. 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 9(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 10.2.2012	Art. 23(5) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 9(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 9(1), (3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88
Hungary	Unless an international treaty provides otherwise, foreign applicants whose permanent residence or seat is not in the territory of the EEA must appoint a professional representative who is entitled to act before the HIPO. This professional representative does not have to be a national professional representative but must be domiciled in the EEA.	(a) HUF 23 500 plus HUF 3 500 for the sixth and each subsequent page of the translation (b) Within two months of filing the request for publication of the mention in the official gazette of the HIPO If the fee for publishing the claims is not paid at the time the request is filed, the HIPO invites the applicant to remedy the deficiency within the set time limit. If this time limit is not observed, the request is deemed to have been withdrawn.	Hungarian	(a) No (b) 1
	Art. 51(1), (4) PA	Art. 84/E(2)-(6) PA Art. 4(1) FeeDecr	Art. 84/E(1) PA	Art. 10(3) PForm

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Published in the form of a printed patent document Mention in the patent bulletin (Patentblatt) Art. II § 2(1) LIPC	(a) Yes (b) EUR 60 Art. II § 2(1) LIPC No. 313800 Fees Schedule LPF	At the head of the first page of all communications sent to the DPMA, the EP application number must be given, preceded by the letters EP. If the fee shown in section 2 is not paid, or not paid in full or in time, the request for publication of the translation is deemed to have been withdrawn. Art. II § 2(1) LIPC § 6(2) LPF § 3 Publ. Reg.
Mention in EDBI Inspection in reading room Copies available Art. 9(5) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	(a) Yes The issue number and the date of the first publication in EDBI must be indicated. (b) No Art. 13(4) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	The EP application and publication numbers, the applicant's name and address and the title of the invention in Greek must be submitted with the translation. The translation and the attached documents must be presented to the OBI in accordance with the provisions of Min. Dec. No. 15928/EFA/1253, which correspond to Rules 46 and 49 EPC. The filing of the translation is registered in the Register Book (Volume B). The provisional protection provided for under Art. 10 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 does not take effect if the European patent has been revoked or limited after opposition, limitation or revocation proceedings before the EPO. Art. 9(2), (4), 10, 10a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88
Mention in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" (Gazette of Patents and Trademarks) The HIPO keeps a separate record of European patent applications on which provisional protection has been conferred. Available for inspection; copies available upon payment of a fee Publication of the translation and any corrections in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" (Gazette of Patents and Trademarks), and on the HIPO's website Art. 53(3), 84/E(1), (7) and (8) PA Art. 17 FeeDecr	(a) Yes (b) HUF 23 500 plus HUF 3 500 for sixth and each subsequent page of the translation Art. 84/K(1) to (3) PA Art. 12(1) to (3) PForm Art. 4(3) FeeDecr	The claims must be translated in accordance with the detailed formal requirements set out in PForm. The translation of the claims (and any request for its correction) may also be filed electronically. Art. 53/D(2)(b) and (d), 84/E(3) PA Art. 2(2)-(5) and 10(3) PForm

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Iceland	Yes, an applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have an agent residing in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement, Switzerland or the Faroe Islands. Art. 12 PA	(a) No (b) n/a	Icelandic Art. 83(1) PA	(a) No (b) 1
Ireland	No, but recommended (see also section 7) R. 92, 93(1) PR SI No.141 of 2006	(a) EUR 35 (b) Date on which translation is filed R. 84 PR Schedule I Fees Rules	English (see also section 7) Sect. 120(6) PA	(a) No (b) 1
Italy	No, but an address for service in the EEA must be given.	(a) No (only for filing by postal service or through a chamber of commerce; see section 7: EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps) (b) n/a (Date on which translation is filed through a chamber of commerce, see section 7)	Italian Art. 54 PL	(a) Yes (b) 1
Latvia	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(3) IPL	(a) EUR 50 (if filed on paper) or EUR 40 (if filed electronically) (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 71(2)(6) PL	Latvian Art. 71(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) 1
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland			

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Mention in "ELS-tíðindi" (Icelandic Patent Gazette) Inspection in reading room Copies available Art. 83(1) PA Art. 57, 81 PR	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 86 PA	The translation referred to in Art. 83 of the Patents Act must be accompanied by the application number and the applicant's name and address, otherwise it will be deemed not to have been submitted. Art. 57 PR
Inspection at the Patents Office Copies available Sect. 2, 100(3), 120(6) PA R. 65 PR Schedule I Fees Rules	(a) Yes (b) Yes, as in section 2 to be paid within one month of filing the corrected translation if it is desired that the translation be published by the IPO. Sect. 121(3) PA R. 85 PR Schedule I Fees Rules	Where there are proceedings before the IPO, applicants with neither residence nor place of business in the European Community must be represented by an authorised patent agent and must give an address for service in the European Community which may be that of a patent agent. R. 92, 93(1) PR SI No. 141 of 2006 The translation shall be verified to the satisfaction of the Controller by the translator as being true to the best of his knowledge and belief.
Inspection in reading room Copies available Art. 57(4) PL	(a) Yes (b) No	The translations must be filed (a) electronically through the **UIBM online filing system** (*https://servizionline.uibm.gov.it*) or (b) on paper: - **by postal service** (registered mail with advice of delivery) with the UIBM in Rome, enclosing proof of payment of an administrative fee of EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps to the Chamber of Commerce of Rome, to which the documentation will be forwarded for processing, or - in person **at a chamber of commerce** in one of the provincial capitals (Camere di Commercio dei capoluoghi di provincia). On the same day as the translation is filed, a fee (EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps) must be paid into the bank account of the chamber of commerce with which it is filed.
Publication of the translation of the claims in the official bulletin of the LV Patent Office Art. 71(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, the same as for publication of the translation of claims Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	The publication of the translation contains - bibliographic data as in the published European patent application - the name and address of the professional representative in Latvia - the title of the invention in Latvian Art. 71(5) PL

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Lithuania	Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. Art. 78(2) PL	(a) Publication fee: EUR 46 plus EUR 14 for the 16th and each subsequent claim. (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 78(2) PL	Lithuanian Art. 78(2) PL	(a) No (b) 2
Luxembourg	No Art. 93 PL	(a) EUR 14 (b) Date on which translation is filed Art. 2(3) Reg. of 9.5.78	French or German Art. 92(2) PL	(a) No (b) 1 Art. 2 Reg. of 9.5.78
Malta	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Monaco	No	(a) No (b) n/a	French	(a) No (b) 1 (see section 7)
Netherlands	No The authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation.	(a) No (b) n/a	Dutch Art. 72(3) PA	(a) No (b) 2 Art. 15(1) PR
Norway	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Norwegian § 66g(1) PL	(a) No (b) 1
Poland	Yes, except for persons having their domicile or seat in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement or Switzerland. Art. 236 § 3 IPL	(a) For the publication of the mention of the filing of the translation of the claims of the European patent application – PLN 90 (b) In advance, or within a month of the invitation to make a payment	Polish Art. 4 § 2 EPAL Art. 223 §§ 1and 2 IPL Annex no. 1 item I 13 Fees Reg.	(a) No (b) 1 § 13(1) FPR in conjunction with Art. 2 EPAL

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Translation published in the official bulletin online at *http://vpb.lrv.lt* or Inspection at the State Patent Bureau (in paper form) Art. 78(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) EUR 34 Art. 80(3) PL	The translation must include the full name and signature of the representative. The translation must be accompanied by the request for publication. The request form is available at *http://vpb.lrv.lt*. Three copies of the prescribed form must be filed. The translation in electronic form must be included.
Entry in the patent register Inspection in the register online at: *patent.public.lu* Art. 2(4) Reg. of 9.5.78	(a) Yes (b) EUR 14 Art. 4(2) Law of 27.5.77 Art. 2(5) Reg. of 9.5.78	The name and address of the applicant and the number and date of publication of the EP application must be submitted with the translation. Art. 2(1) Reg. of 9.5.78
n/a	n/a	-
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 3(2) SO No. 10.427	The translation is to be notified only to the alleged infringer (not to the MC Patent Office).
Entry in the patent register Mention in "De Industriële Eigendom" Art. 72(5), 20(1) PA	(a) No provisions laid down (b) No	-
Mention in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Internet § 66g(1) PL	(a) Yes (b) No §§ 60(2), 66j(1) PL § 33 Fees Reg.	The EP application number or publication number and the name and address of the applicant must be submitted with the translation. Otherwise the translation will be regarded as not having been supplied. § 59 PR
Mention in Biuletyn Urzędu Patentowego (Polish Patent Office Bulletin) which can be viewed in the reading room and in electronic form on the Polish Patent Office's website (*www.uprp.pl*) Art. 4 §§ 2 - 4 EPAL	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 7 § 3 in conjunction with Art. 4 § 2 EPAL	The translation must contain a translation of the title of the invention, the application number and the applicant's name, and indicate the invention's IPC class.

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Portugal	No However, under Article 81 of the Portuguese Industrial Property Code, "If an applicant for or holder of a European patent does not have a domicile or registered office in Portugal, the translations must be performed under the responsibility of an official industrial property agent or a representative accredited by the National Industrial Property Institute." Patent proprietors with neither residence nor principal place of business in Portugal may request validation from the Portuguese Industrial Property Institute without appointing a professional representative. The translation must however be "certified" by a professional representative accredited by the National Industrial Property Institute. Art. 10 PA	(a) Fee for provisional protection: - EUR 53.30 if filed online, - EUR 106.61 if filed on paper (b) Date on which translation is filed Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Fees Res. Art. 78(1)PA	Portuguese Art. 78(1) PA	(a) Yes, if filed on paper: INPI presentation form PatMut3 (b) 1
Romania	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Romania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the OSIM. Art. 39 PL	(a) EUR 60 or RON 276 (from 1.1.2019: RON 280) (b) Date on which translation is filed Annex 1.29 Fees Ord.	Romanian	(a) No, but recommended (b) 3
San Marino	Yes, foreign applicants must appoint a professional representative who has been entered on the list of patent attorneys maintained by the USBM. An address for correspondence in the Republic of San Marino must be given. Art. 92(6) PA	(a) No (b) n/a	Italian	(a) No (b) n/a
Serbia	n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	Serbian Art. 148(2) PL	(a) n/a (b) n/a

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Mention in the Industrial Property Bulletin Inspection in reading room Copies available Art. 78(2), (3) PA	(a) Yes (b) EUR 26.66 if filed online, EUR 53.30 if filed on paper Art. 85(1) PA Fees Res.	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Portugal must have the translation prepared by a professional representative before INPI. Art. 81 PA
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 30 or RON 138 (from 1.1.2019: RON 140) Art. 7(2) AccEPCLaw Annex 1.30 Fees Ord.	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - names and addresses of applicant(s) and inventor(s), - the title of the invention in Romanian, - drawings, if any
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No	-
n/a Art. 150(3)(4) PL	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 150(3)(4) PL	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer. Art. 148(2) PL

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Slovakia	Yes, for natural or legal persons not having their residence or principal place of business in the Slovak Republic The above mandatory representation does not apply to parties who are nationals of a contracting state to the EEA Agreement or have their registered office or a place of business in the territory of such a state; such parties must provide the Slovak Industrial Property Office with an address for correspondence in the territory of the Slovak Republic. Representation by an appointed agent or a patent attorney authorised to practise before the Slovak Industrial Property Office § 79 (2) PA	(a) EUR 10 (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. § 8(1) + Schedule of Fees, item 216a(b) Fees Law § 60(2) PA	Slovak § 60(2) PA	(a) No (b) 1
Slovenia	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Slovenian Art. 26(2) IPA	n/a
Spain	No, if applicant resides in Spain or in a country of the EU. Requirements in section 7 must be observed. Art. 175 NPL	(a) EUR 107.80 for translations on paper, EUR 91.63 in electronic form Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. (b) Within one month of filing the translation The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 154 and 155 NPL NPL Annex	Spanish (see section 7) Art. 154 NPL	(a) Yes (b) 1
Sweden	No	(a) SEK 500 (b) Date on which translation is filed Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. § 88(1) PA § 45 PD	Swedish § 88(1) PA § 39 POR	(a) No (b) 1
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Mention in the official journal Internet Inspection in reading room	(a) Yes (b) EUR 10	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided.
§ 60(2) PA	§ 62(3), (4) PA Schedule of Fees, item 216a(b) Fees Law	§ 60(2) PA § 26 RPA
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 28(2) IPA	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer. Art. 26(2), 28(2) IPA
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial	(a) Yes (b) Yes, as in section 2	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Spain must have the translation done by a patent attorney accredited by the OEPM or by a sworn translator/interpreter appointed by the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs or another professional having - knowledge corresponding to at least level C2 of both the original language and Spanish and - a university degree in the technical sector concerned or experience in the form of at least 20 translations of patents in the technical sector.
Art. 37, 55, 154 and 156 NPL Art. 94 RD 316	Art. 96 RD 316 NPL Annex	Art. 154 NPL and MO 320
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in "Svensk Patenttidning" (Swedish patent bulletin)	(a) Yes, but only for patent applications with a filing date before 1 July 2014 (b) SEK 500	The EP application number and the name and address of the applicant must be given with the translation. Otherwise it is deemed not to have been filed.
§ 88(1) PA § 62(2) PD	§ 91(2) PA § 45 PD	§ 61 PD
n/a	n/a	-

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Turkey	Yes; applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Turkey must appoint an authorised professional representative. R. 9 RegEPC	(a) TRY 1 275 (TRY 850)* (b) Date on which translation is filed with the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office Fees 2018	Turkish	(a) Yes (b) 2
United Kingdom	No The authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation (see also section 7). R. 103 PR	(a) No (b) n/a Schedule 1 to PFR	English Sect. 78(7) PA	(a) Yes, Form 54 in duplicate (b) 2 R. 56 PR

* Note: Reduced fees for online transactions are indicated in brackets.
All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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Mention of the filing of the translation in the official patent bulletin ("Resmi Patent Bülteni") Inspection in reading room Copies available R. 10 RegEPC	(a) Yes (b) No R. 16 RegEPC	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - names and addresses of applicant(s) and inventor(s), - the title of the invention, - if a representative is appointed, his name and address, - the IPC, - the abstract, - drawing and priority data, if applicable R. 9 RegEPC
Display in Science Reference and Information Service, London Copies available from the IPO Mention in the "Patents Journal" Entry in the patent register Sect. 78(7) PA R. 51 PR	(a) Yes (i) Form 54 (corrections under Sect. 80(3); R. 56 and R. 57) in duplicate (ii) In writing (corrections under Sect. 117; R. 105) (b) No Sect. 80(3), 117 PA R. 57, 105 PR Schedule 1 to PFR	An address for service in the EEA or Channel Islands should be given when filing the translation, or for other proceedings. For further information, contact the International Filings Unit: Tel. +44 1633 814875 R. 103 PR

Validation state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			
Morocco	Yes Applicants who do not have a residence or place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative who does. Art. 4 Law No. 17-97	(a) MAD 1 200 A reduction is available for certain proprietor categories and/or for those using the online procedure. (b) Date on which translation is filed Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97 Dec. No. 9/2017	Arabic French Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97	(a) Yes (b) 1 Art. 2 Decr.
Republic of Moldova	Yes Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008	(a) EUR 60 (b) Date on which translation is filed Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774	Romanian Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008	(a) Yes (b) 1 Art. 44[1](3) Law No. 50/2008
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			

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In electronic form on OMPIC publication server (*patent.ompic.ma*) Copies available to anyone Mention in official catalogue Entry in patent register Art. 44, 49, 89 Law No. 17-97	(a) No (b) n/a	The prescribed form must contain all requisite information.
In electronic form on AGEPI publication server and on paper Mention in the Official Bulletin Entry in the National Register of Patent Applications	(a) Yes (b) EUR 30 Gov. Dec. No. 774	The form prescribed in section 4 must contain all requisite information.

Extension state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Bosnia and Herzegovina	n/a	n/a	Bosnian Serbian Croatian	(a) n/a (b) n/a
Montenegro	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's Register of Representatives or by a domestic lawyer (Register of Representatives at *www.advokatskakomora.me*). Art. 4 PL	(a) No (b) n/a	Montenegrin Art. 144(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) 3

5 **Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public**	6 **Correction of translation** **(a) permitted?** **(b) Special fee payable?**	7 **Special features**
n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer. Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL
Mention in the Montenegrin Intellectual Property Gazette	(a) Yes (b) Yes	-

Former extension state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	n/a	n/a	Albanian Art. 81(2) PL	n/a
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	n/a	n/a	Croatian	(a) n/a (b) n/a
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Yes, for foreign applicants	n/a	Macedonian	(a) n/a (b) n/a
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(3) IPL	(a) EUR 50 (if filed on paper) or EUR 40 (if filed electronically) (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 71(2)(6) PL	Latvian Art. 71(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) 1
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	n/a	n/a	Lithuanian Art. 70(2) PL	(a) n/a (b) n/a

5 **Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public**	6 **Correction of translation** **(a) permitted?** **(b) Special fee payable?**	7 **Special features**
n/a	(a) Yes (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer. Art. 83(3) PL
n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer. Art. 102(2) PA
n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer.
Publication of the translation of the claims in the official bulletin of the LV Patent Office Art. 71(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, the same as for publication of the translation of claims Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	The publication of the translation contains - bibliographic data as in the published European patent application - the name and address of the professional representative in Latvia - the title of the invention in Latvian Art. 71(5) PL
n/a	(a) Yes (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer. Art. 70(2) PL

Former extension state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	2 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	4 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Romania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the OSIM. Art. 39 PL	(a) EUR 60 or RON 276 (from 1.1.2019: RON 280) (b) Date on which translation is filed Annex 1.29 Fees Ord. Art. IV.2 GO	Romanian	(a) No, but recommended (b) 3
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	Yes, in cases where corrections of translation of patent claims have to be published.	(a) No (b) n/a	Serbian Art. 123(2) PL Ext.	(a) n/a (b) n/a
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Slovenian	(a) n/a (b) n/a

5 **Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public**	6 **Correction of translation** **(a) permitted?** **(b) Special fee payable?**	7 **Special features**
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 30 or RON 138 (from 1.1.2019: RON 140) Annex 1.30 Fees Ord. Art. VI.2 GO	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - names and addresses of applicant(s) and inventor(s), - the title of the invention in Romanian, - drawings, if any
Mention in the Intellectual Property Gazette only in case of corrections to the translation	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 125(3) PL Ext.	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer. In case of corrections, the translation must be made available to the public by the Serbian Intellectual Property Office. Art. 123(2), 125(3) PL Ext.
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No Art. 6(3) Ext. Decr.	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer. Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.

IV. Translation requirements after grant pursuant to Article 65 EPC

1. Legal basis

Under Article 65(1) of the European Patent Convention, any contracting state may, if the European patent as granted, amended or limited by the European Patent Office is not drawn up in one of its official languages, prescribe that the proprietor of the patent supply to its central industrial property office a translation of the patent as granted, amended or limited in one of that state's official languages at his option or, where that state has prescribed the use of one specific official language, in that language.

Under Article 1(1) of the London Agreement,* a contracting state to the Agreement which has an official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO will dispense with the translation requirements under Article 65(1) EPC.

Under Article 1(2) of the London Agreement, a contracting state to the Agreement which does not have an official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO will dispense with the translation requirements under Article 65(1) EPC if the European patent

- has been granted in the EPO official language prescribed by that state, or

- is translated into that language and filed under Article 65(1) EPC.

Under Article 1(3) of the London Agreement, such a contracting state can, however, require that a translation of the claims into one of its official languages be filed under Article 65(1) EPC.

Article 65(2) EPC provides that any contracting state which has adopted provisions under Article 65(1) EPC may prescribe that the proprietor of the patent must pay all or part of the costs of publication of such translation within a period laid down by the state.

All EPC contracting states have prescribed, in accordance with Article 65(3) EPC, that in the event of failure to observe the relevant national provisions, the European patent will be deemed to be void ab initio. The circumstances in which such a loss of rights occurs are determined by the national law of the contracting states concerned. In most contracting states the **time limit** for filing the translation is **non-extendable**.

The following table also contains information on any documents and translations patent proprietors are required to file with the central industrial property offices of the extension and validation states for granted, amended or limited patents.

2. Effect of the European patent as a national patent

Under Article 64(1) EPC (or the relevant national legislation in the extension and validation states), a European patent automatically confers on its proprietor from the date on which the mention of the grant is published in the European Patent Bulletin, in each contracting state in respect of which it is granted, the same rights as would be conferred by a national patent granted in that state.

Accordingly, the proprietor needs to take no action before the central industrial property office in respect of European patents granted for Belgium, France, Germany, Ireland, Luxembourg, Monaco, Switzerland/Liechtenstein or the United Kingdom. Subject to Article 68 EPC, a European patent takes effect as a national patent on the date on which the mention of the grant is published in the European Patent Bulletin.

See Table VI regarding payment of national renewal fees to the central industrial property offices.

3. Different sets of claims

If, in the event of prior national rights, the European patent application contains different sets of claims for different states (Rule 138 EPC), only a translation of the set of claims applicable to the state in question need be filed

4. Explanatory notes concerning the table

The following table contains information helping applicants to check what requirements and obligations apply when filing translations with the central industrial property office for each of the EPC contracting states and extension or validation states.

* Agreement on the application of Article 65 of the European Patent Convention (see OJ EPO 2001, 549 and 2008, 123).

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Albania	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** of the European patent into Albanian as well as the European patent specification in English or translated into English must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. If the European patent has been maintained in amended form, a translation of the amended claims into Albanian must be filed under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 87/d(2)(3) PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP. Art. 195(2) PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Extension of the time limit is possible (see section 9). Art. 87/d(2)(6) PL	(a) ALL 10 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4. Art. 87/d(2)(b) PL, Fees Decr 1.47
Austria	No	A translation of the patent specification into German must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. § 5(1) ILPT	Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria. However, if the residence or place of business is in the EEA, a person authorised to accept service who is a resident of Austria may be appointed instead. (The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain cases.) § 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended or limited is published in the European Patent Bulletin § 5(1), (2) ILPT	(a) EUR 186 (including EUR 30 document fees) plus EUR 135 for every 15 pages following the 16th page of the translation For sequence listings forming a separate part of the translated description, the fee is charged for up to a maximum of 400 pages. (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 § 5(1) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF
Belgium	No	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC.	n/a	n/a	n/a

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes (b) 2 Art. 87/d(2)(b) PL, Fees Decr 1.47	Publication of the translation and any corrections in the official bulletin Art. 87/d(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000 Art. 87/dh(3) PL	The time limit of 3 months for filing the translation of the patent granted may be extended by one month, upon payment of a fee (ALL 7 000). Art. 87/d(6) PL Fees Decr 1.8
(a) No. Electronic filing permitted.* (b) 1 * Österreichisches Patentblatt I, No. 12/2014, Annex 1	Publication of the translation and any corrections Mention of the published printed patent document and of any corrections in the patent bulletin §§ 5(1), 6(2)-(4) ILPT	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) § 6(2) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has duly been provided. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification even where there is no textual matter. § 30 LPOF § 8(5) POR
n/a	n/a	n/a	For European patents granted in English in respect of which the mention of grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation is published in the European Patent Bulletin before 1 January 2017, a translation of the specification into Dutch, French or German must still be supplied in accordance with Article 65(1) EPC. Art. 94 Law of 29.6.16

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Bulgaria	No	A translation of the patent specification into Bulgarian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 72c(1) PL	Yes Applicants with no permanent address or principal place of business in the Republic of Bulgaria are required to act in proceedings before the Bulgarian Patent Office through local industrial property representatives. Art. 3(2) PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of grant is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 72c(1) PL	(a) Publication of the mention of the translation: BGN 45 ; Fee for publishing the translation: BGN 80 plus BGN 10 for each page of the translation (including any drawings) in excess of 10 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 72c(1) PL
Croatia	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** of the European patent into Croatian as well as the European patent specification in English, or translated into English, must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. If the European patent has been maintained in amended form, a translation of the amended claims into Croatian must be filed under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 108.o PA	Yes Art. 4 PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 108.e(2)(4) PA	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 108.e(2)(4) PA

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No (b) 3 Art. 72c(1) PL	Mention of the filing of the translation in the Official Bulletin Publication of the translation in the Official Bulletin Copies available Entry in the patent register Art. 72c(4) and 72i PL	(a) Yes (b) Fee for publication of the mention of the correction of the translation and for re-publishing the translation itself, see section 5(a) Art. 72d(3) PL	The translation of the European patent must comprise: - the title of the invention - the description - drawings, if any - the patent claims. The translation must be accompanied by: - data identifying the proprietor of the patent, - the number of the European patent application, - the publication number of the European patent, - the number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the mention of the grant of the patent was published. Art. 72c(2), (3) PL
(a) No, but recommended (b) 1	Translation and any corrections published in the Croatian Intellectual Property Gazette, in the form of a printed patent document and on CD-ROM Entry in the patent register Inspection of files Copies available Art. 108.e(6) PA Art. 21 PO	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 108.f(3) PA	Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by the Croatian Intellectual Property Office. Art. 108.f(3) PA

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Cyprus	No	A translation of the patent specification into Greek must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes Applicants must appoint an authorised professional representative resident in Cyprus who is entitled to practice law in Cyprus. Sect. 79(2) PL R. 2(1), 8(1) PFR	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin R. 54(1) PFR	(a) EUR 100 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Mention of the filing of the translation is published only when the fee has been paid. R. 54(1) PFR

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes, Form P.17 (b) 2	Mention of the filing of the translation in the official gazette Copies available Entry in the patent register, vol. B Inspection in reading room	(a) Yes The issue number and the date of the first publication of the translation in the official gazette must be indicated (Form P.5). (b) EUR 100	Proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation. R. 54(1) PFR The EP application and publication number, the name and address of the patent proprietor and the title of the invention must be submitted with the translation. Where as a result of opposition proceedings the EP is maintained in an amended form, the translated amended text shall be attached to the original translation. R. 54(3) PFR The translation must be accompanied by 2 copies of the drawings in the EP specification, even where there is no textual matter. Moreover, two copies of the patent abstract translated into Greek must be supplied. R. 54(4) PFR The filing of the translation is recorded in the Records Book, vol. B, part B.
R. 54 PFR	Sect. 3(1), 69 PL R. 55(1), (2), 60 PFR	R. 6(2)(a), 55(4) PFR	R. 60(1) PFR

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Czech Republic	No	A translation of the patent specification into Czech must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business on the territory of the Czech Republic should be represented by a patent attorney or a legal practitioner. It is not strictly required in the case of EU citizens; an address for correspondence in the Czech Republic must be given.	3 months after the date on which the mention of grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Extension of the time limit is possible (see section 9).	(a) CZK 2 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		§§ 35c(2), 35f(3) PA	§ 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession	§§ 35c(2), (3), 35f(3) PA	§§ 35c(2), (3), 35f(3) PA

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation and of any corrections in the "Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví" (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office) Inspection in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes (b) CZK 100	The translation must contain: - the name and address of the patent proprietor - the EP application and publication number - number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned - the title of the invention in Czech. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification even where there is no textual matter. The time limit of 3 months for filing the translation of the patent granted may be extended by 3 months, upon payment of a fee. This fee amounts to CZK 3 000. § 35c(3) PA Part XI, Item 128 (f) LAdmFees The additional time limit of three months for filing the Czech translation of the patent specification provided for in § 35c(3) PA does not apply if a European patent is maintained in amended form in opposition or limitation proceedings. In the latter case, the proprietor of the patent must submit to the CZ Industrial Property Office the Czech translation of the amended text of the patent specification and pay the publication fee within three months from the mention of this amendment in the European Patent Bulletin. The CZ Industrial Property Office will announce the maintaining of the European patent in amended form in the Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office and will publish the translation of the amended text of the patent specification. § 35f(3) PA Bulletin of the CZ IPO No. 52/2007 If the Czech translation of the amended text of the European patent specification is not submitted by that time limit, the European patent will be considered in the Czech Republic as null and void from the outset. § 35f(4) PA Re-establishment of rights under conditions similar to Art. 122 EPC is available.
	§§ 35c(2), 35f(3) PA	§ 35d(2) PA	§ 65 PA

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Denmark	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	Irrespective of the language of the granted patent, a translation of the **claims** into Danish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in French or German, a translation of the other parts of the European patent into English or Danish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement § 77(1) PA	No	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. § 77(1) PA	(a) DKK 2 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 §§ 77(2), 98(7) PA
Estonia	No	A translation of the patent specification into Estonian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. §§ 7(1), 13(2) IA	No, but recommended (see also section 9). § 15 IA § 26 REP	3 months after the date on which the mention of grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Extension of the time limit is possible (see section 9). § 7(1), (2) and 13(2) IA	(a) EUR 45 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 § 7(1) IA § 109(2) FA

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No, but recommended (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation in "Dansk Patenttidende" (Danish Patent Gazette) Internet Inspection in reading room Published in the form of printed patent documents Printed copies available	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	The number of the European patent and the name and address of the patent proprietor must accompany the translation. § 96(2) PO The translation shall include title of the invention, description including drawings and photograms where available and sequence listing where available. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification even where there is no textual matter. § 96(1) PO Otherwise the translation is deemed not to have been filed.
	§ 77(3), (4) PA	§§ 86(1), 100(4) PA	§ 96(3) PO
(a) No (see also section 9) (b) 2 (1) (two copies on paper or one copy on diskette or CD-R; PDF format)	Mention in Eesti Patendileht (Official Gazette) Copies available Estonian Patent Office website at *www.epa.ee/en/databases/inventions-databases* (Estonian)	(a) Yes (b) EUR 45	A request for publication and proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation. The following information must be given in the request: - European patent number - European application date - the title of the invention - the applicant's name and address - the representative's name and address for service, if applicable. The Office accepts as representative only a common representative resident in Estonia, where applicable, or an Estonian patent attorney whose name is entered in the State Register of Patent Attorneys as specialising in the legal protection of inventions and layout designs of integrated circuits. If the translation does not comply with the requirements, an Estonian patent attorney must be appointed to submit the corrections. The time limit of 3 months for filing the translation may be extended by 2 months, upon payment of a surcharge (EUR 32).
§§ 7(1), 13(2) IA § 27(4) REP	§ 30 REP	§ 9(1) IA § 109(2) FA	§ 7(1) IA § 109(3) FA § 26 REP

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Finland	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Finnish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent was granted in English. If the European patent was granted in French or German, a translation into English or Finnish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. If the patentee's own language is Swedish, the translation may be filed in Swedish. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement § 70h PA	No	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. §§ 70h, 70t PA §§ 52u, 52z PD	(a) EUR 500 (EUR 400 if the translation is filed online) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 §§ 70h, 70t PA §§ 52u, 52z PD Fees Decr.
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Macedonian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement	Yes, authorised agent who is either a domestic legal person or a citizen of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin.	(a) Publication fee MKD 3 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
France	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(1) London Agreement Art. L. 614-7 PL	n/a	n/a	n/a
Germany	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC (see section 9). Art. 1(1) London Agreement Art. 8a, 8b and 10 of the Law on the Improved Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights (Law on Enforcement)	n/a	n/a	n/a

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(a) No (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation and of any corrections in "Patentti-lehti" (Finnish Patent Bulletin) Published in electronic form Copies available Entry in the patent register §§ 70h, 70q PA §§ 38a, 52x, 52y PD	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) § 70q PA § 52y PD	The number of the European patent, the title of the invention and the name and address of the patent proprietor must accompany the translation. §§ 52u, 52y PD The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification, even where there is no textual matter. The translation may also be filed electronically.
(a) Yes, Formoб. ДЗИС-П5 (b) 2	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the official gazette ("Glasnik")	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided.
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n/a	n/a	n/a	A translation is still required for European patents in respect of which the mention of the grant was published in the European Patent Bulletin before 1 May 2008. Art. XI § 4 LIPC

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Greece	No	A translation of the patent specification into Greek must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. The translation must be certified by a Greek legal practitioner or by an authority empowered to do so (i.e. the Translation Service of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at 10 Arionos Street, Athens or any Greek Consulate abroad). Art. 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Greece must appoint a representative for service (any natural person or any attorney) resident in Greece. Art. 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	3 months from the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form, limitation or revocation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin In the event of failure to observe this deadline, the European patent is deemed void ab initio in Greece. Art. 11, 12a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	(a) EUR 350 (b) Date on which translation is filed with the OBI Mention of the filing of the translation is published only when the fee has been paid Art. 12(1), 18 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 10.2.2012

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(a) Yes *(www.obi.gr/obi/Portals/0/ImagesAndFiles/Files/Forms/obi-a04_ver_12_2009.dot)* (b) 2	Mention in EDBI Inspection in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes The issue number and the date of the first publication of the translation in EDBI must be indicated. (b) No	The European application and publication numbers, the name and address of the patent proprietor as well as the issue number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned must be supplied with the translation. Two copies of the drawings in the EP specification must be supplied with the translation, even if these contain no textual matter requiring translation. Moreover, two copies of the patent abstract translated into Greek must also be supplied. The filing of the translation of the European patent is registered in the Register Book (Volume B "European patents"). On request, the OBI issues the patent proprietor with confirmation of registration in the Registers, which may also cover any possible change in ownership.
Art. 12(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 13(1), (2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 13(4) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 12(3), (4), 23a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Hungary	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Hungarian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent was granted in English, but the patentee is free to supply a full Hungarian translation as well. If the European patent was granted in French or German, a full translation into English or Hungarian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. If the European patent is maintained in amended form, a translation of the amended claims into Hungarian and, if the European patent was granted in German or French, a translation of the patent specification into English or Hungarian must be filed under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. After validation, a Hungarian translation of the text other than the claims may be filed additionally at any time. This option is designed to strengthen the patentee's position and increase legal certainty in any judicial infringement procedures. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 84/H.(1)-(1a), 84/I. PA	Unless an international treaty provides otherwise, foreign applicants whose permanent residence or seat is not in the territory of the EEA shall appoint a professional representative who is entitled to act before the HIPO. This professional representative does not have to be a national professional representative but must be domiciled in the EEA. Art. 51(1), (4) PA	(i) Within 3 months of the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. (ii) The translation can also be filed within 3 months of the last day of the above period on payment of the additional fee specified in the FeeDecr. In the event of failure to observe these provisions, the European patent is deemed void *ab initio* in Hungary. After validation, a voluntary translation of the full text of the European patent into Hungarian may be filed at any time. Art. 84/H(1)-(3), (8), (10a) PA	(a) (i) HUF 23 500 plus HUF 3 500 for the sixth and each subsequent page of the translation The number of pages is calculated as follows: - if the European patent was granted in English, by adding the pages of the claims, after translation into Hungarian, to those of the rest of the patent; if the full text of the patent was translated into and filed in Hungarian, this translation will be taken as the basis for the calculation; - if it was granted in French or German, by adding the pages of claims, after translation into Hungarian, to those of the rest of the patent after translation into Hungarian or English. (ii) additional fee of HUF 58 700 is payable if the translation is filed during the additional 3 months (see point (ii) in section 4) (b) Within 2 months of filing the translation If the publishing and printing fee is not paid at the time the translation is filed, the HIPO invites the applicant to remedy the deficiency within 2 months of the filing of the translation. If he fails to do so, the translation into Hungarian is deemed not to have been filed. Art. 84/H PA Art. 4(2)-(2a), (5) FeeDecr

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(a) No (b) 1	Mention in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" (Gazette of Patents and Trademarks). The European patent will be entered in the separate part of the patent register if the translation of its text has been duly filed. Available for inspection; copies available upon payment of a fee Publication of the translation and any corrections in printed form and in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" (Gazette of Patents and Trademarks), and on the HIPO's website	(a) Yes (b) HUF 23 500 plus HUF 3 500 for the sixth and each subsequent page of the translation	Translations of European patents must be produced and filed in accordance with the detailed formal requirements set out in PForm. The translation of the European patent (and any request for its correction) may also be filed electronically. Under Hungarian law, an infringer resident or having its seat in Hungary cannot be held liable for infringement, and consequently damages cannot not be claimed, unless a description in Hungarian was filed and so available to the alleged infringer. However, even in the absence of a Hungarian translation, liability may be established and damages awarded if the patentee proves that the infringer was able to understand the English description of the European patent (e.g. infringer is an international company, conducts business in English, etc.). Since 1 January 2012, patentees have had the option of filing a Hungarian translation of the description, in addition to that required for the claims, at any time after "validation". This releases them from the burden of proving the defendant's language skills when seeking damages.
Art. 11 PForm	Art. 53(3), 84/H(9) and (10) PA Art. 17 FeeDecr	Art. 84/K PA Art. 12(1) to (3) PForm Art. 4(3) FeeDecr	Art. 35(3), 53/D(2)(c) and (d), 84/H(4) PA Art. 2(2)-(5) and 11 PForm

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Iceland	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Icelandic must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Other parts of the European patent must be supplied in Icelandic or English under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement § 77(1) PA	Yes, a patent proprietor who is not domiciled in Iceland must have an agent residing in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement, Switzerland or the Faroe Islands. § 12 PA	4 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. § 77 PA § 56 PR	(a) ISK 31 100 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 77(1) PA Art. 56 PR Art. 1(9) Fees Reg.
Ireland	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65 (1) EPC. Art. 1(1) London Agreement	n/a	n/a	n/a
Italy	No	A translation of the patent specification into Italian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. The proprietor of the patent or his representative must give a declaration on the last page of the translation that the translation is in complete agreement with the original. Art. 56(4) PL	No, but an address for service in the EEA must be given.	Within 3 months of the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin It is possible to request **further processing** within 2 months of expiry of the time limit not complied with. The request must be accompanied by proof of payment of the fee prescribed for further processing. Art. 56(4), 192 PL	(a) Yes (only for paper filing by postal service or through a chamber of commerce; see section 9: EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps) EUR 300 for request for further processing (plus EUR 10 if filed by postal service or through a chamber of commerce) (b) Date on which translation is filed through a chamber of commerce, see section 9

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(a) No, but recommended (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation in "ELS-tíðindum" (Icelandic Patent Gazette) Inspection in reading room Copies available § 77 PA	(a) Yes (b) ISK 31 100 Art. 86(1) PA Art. 1(11) Fees Reg.	If a translation is corrected under Art. 86 of the Patents Act, a new version of the entire translation, clearly indicating what has been changed by each correction, must be submitted. This corrected version must be accompanied by the patent or application number and the name and address of the patent holder or applicant, otherwise it will be deemed not to have been submitted. Art. 58(1), (2) PR
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(a) Yes (b) 1	Display in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes The form required for the purposes of section 6 must be used; the UIBM recommends that the national reference number allocated when the translation was filed be quoted. (b) No Art. 57(4) PL	The translations must be filed (a) electronically through the **UIBM online filing system** (*https://servizionline.uibm.gov.it*) or (b) on paper: - **by postal service** (registered mail with advice of delivery) with the UIBM in Rome, enclosing proof of payment of an administrative fee of EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps to the Chamber of Commerce of Rome, to which the documentation will be forwarded for processing, or - in person **at a chamber of commerce** in one of the provincial capitals (Camere di Commercio dei capoluoghi di provincia). On the same day as the translation is filed, a fee (EUR 40 or, if a certified copy is requested, EUR 43 and EUR 16 in stamps) must be paid into the bank account of the chamber of commerce with which it is filed. The UIBM recommends that a translation of the abstract appearing in the EP application and a copy of the drawings of the patent specification be filed.

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Latvia	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Latvian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 71(2) PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 71(2) PL	(a) EUR 50 (if filed on paper) or EUR 40 (if filed electronically) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 71(6) PL s.2.6.1 and 2.6.2 Fees Reg.
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland				
Lithuania	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Lithuanian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 79(2), (3) PL	Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. Art. 14(3) PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or maintenance in amended form of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 79(2), (3) PL	(a) Publication of claims: EUR 46 plus EUR 14 for the 16th and each subsequent claim. Publication of amended claims: EUR 34. (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Fees Law Art. 79(2), (3) PL
Luxembourg	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(1) London Agreement Law of 27.5.1977	n/a	n/a	n/a
Malta	No	A translation of the patent specification into English must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	Foreign applicants whose permanent residence or business is not in any EU member state must appoint an agent who has his ordinary residence or principal place of business in Malta to represent him. Art. 61(2) PA 2000	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	(a) No (b) n/a

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(a) Yes (b) 1	Publication of the translation in the official bulletin of the LV Patent Office. Art.71(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	The publication of the translation contains - bibliographic data as in published European patent application - name and address of the professional representative in Latvia - the title of invention in Latvian Art. 71(5) PL
(a) No (b) 2	Publication of the translation and any corrections in the official bulletin. Inspection of the official bulletin at the State Patent Bureau (in paper form) or online at *http://vpb.lrv.lt* Art. 79(4) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 80(3) PL	The translation must include the full name and signature of the representative. The translation must be accompanied by the request for publication. The request form is available at *http://vpb.lrv.lt*. Three copies of the prescribed form must be filed. The translation in electronic form must be included.
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(a) Yes (b) 1 R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	Inspection in IPRD Office R. 8(2) L.N. 99/2007	(a) Yes (b) Yes R. 3, 8(2) L.N. 99/2007	The translation must contain the name and address of the patent proprietor R. 5(2b) L.N. 99/2007

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Monaco	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(1) London Agreement	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC.	n/a	n/a	n/a
Netherlands	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 52(1) PA	A translation of the **claims** into Dutch must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in French or German, a translation into English must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. The translation may also be supplied in Dutch.	No	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin (see also section 9) Art. 52(1), (6) PA Art. 23(1) PR	(a) EUR 25 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 6(6), 23(3) PR
Norway	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Patent applications can also be filed and processed in English.	A translation of the **claims** into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent was granted in English. If the European patent was granted in French or German, a translation of the description (including any drawings) and title into either English or Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. In addition, a translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied.	No	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin § 66c(1) and (2) PL § 59(2) PR	(a) NOK 5 500 (b) Upon receipt of a translation in accordance with § 66c PL, an invoice is issued. The due date for payment of the fee is specified in the invoice. § 66c(1) PL § 32 Fees Reg.

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(a) No (b) 2 Art. 7 IR	Entry in the patent register Mention of the filing of the translation in "De Industriële Eigendom" Inspection in reading room (only open by appointment) Copies available Art. 19(4), 52(3), (8) PA	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 52(7) PA Art. 6(6) PR	The publication number of the European patent must be indicated on each sheet of the translation. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the European patent specification even where there is no textual matter. Art. 7 IR If the translation is filed before the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin, the date of such publication must be indicated.
(a) No (b) 1 § 66c(3) and (4) PL	Mention in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Internet § 66j(1) PL § 33 Fees Reg.	(a) Yes (b) For patents granted or maintained in amended form by the EPO as from 16 January 2015: NOK 1 200 For patents granted by the EPO prior to 16 January 2015: NOK 1 100 plus NOK 250 for each page of the translation (including any drawings) in excess of 14 § 59 PR	The EP application number or publication number and the name and address of the applicant must be submitted with the translation of the claims into Norwegian. Otherwise the translation will be regarded as not having been supplied.

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Poland	No	A translation of the patent specification into Polish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 6 §§ 2 and 3 EPAL	Yes, except for persons having their domicile or seat in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement or Switzerland. Art. 236 § 3 IPL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Art. 6 §§ 2 and 3 EPAL	(a) For publication of the mention of the filing of a translation of the European patent or of a corrected or amended translation, or for making the translation of the European patent publicly available: PLN 90 Where the translation or corrected translation is more than 10 pages long, the fee for each individual page of the translation is PLN 10. (b) no later than 3 months after the date of service of the PL Patent Office's invitation Art. 7 § 5 EPAL Annex no. 1 item I 14 Fees Reg.
Portugal	No	A translation of the patent specification into Portuguese must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 79(1) PA	No However, under Article 81 of the Portuguese Industrial Property Code, "If an applicant for or holder of a European patent does not have a domicile or registered office in Portugal, the translations must be performed under the responsibility of an official industrial property agent or a representative accredited by the National Industrial Property Institute." Patent proprietors with neither residence nor principal place of business in Portugal may request validation from the Portuguese Industrial Property Institute without appointing a professional representative. The translation must however becertifiedby a professional representative accredited by the National Industrial Property Institute. Art. 10 PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin, plus a one-month supplementary period subject to payment of an additional fee. Art. 80(1), (3) PA	(a) National validation fee - EUR 53.30 if filed online, - EUR 106.61 if filed on paper If the translation is filed within one month after the 3-month period, a surcharge calculated with reference to the national filing fee is payable: +50% of the online fee +50% of the paper fee (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Mention of the filing of the translation is published only when the fee has been paid. Art. 80(2), (3), 82(2) PA Fees Res.

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(a) No (b) 2 Art. 5 § 3 EPAL	Mention of the translation in "Wiadomości Urzędu Patentowego" (Official Gazette of the PL Patent Office), which can also be consulted on the Patent Office's website (in Polish only) Publication in printed form available for inspection in the reading room Copies available PL Patent Office's data-base on its website at *www.uprp.pl* (Polish) Art. 7 § 1 EPAL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 7 §§ 3, 6 EPAL	The published translation indicates the date on which the EPO published the mention of the grant of the European patent. Art. 7 § 1 EPAL The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the European patent specification even when there is no textual matter. Art. 7 § 1 in conjunction with Art. 1 item 6 EPAL
(a) Yes, if filed on paper: INPI presentation form PatMut3 (b) 1 Art. 82(1), 83(1) PA	Mention of the filing of the translation in the Industrial Property Bulletin Entry in the patent register Inspection in reading room Copies available Art. 82(1), 83(1) PA	(a) Yes (b) EUR 26.66 if filed online, EUR 53.30 if filed on paper Art. 85(1) PA Fees Res.	Patent proprietors with neither residence nor principal place of business in Portugal must have the translation prepared by a professional representative before INPI (see section 3). The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings, even where there is no textual matter. Art. 79(2), 81 PA

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Romania	No	A translation of the patent specification into Romanian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Romania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the OSIM.	(i) 3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin; (ii) extendible by three months	(a) (i) EUR 100 or RON 460 (from 1.1.2019: RON 466) plus EUR 5 or RON 23 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (ii) EUR 200 or RON 920 (from 1.1.2019: RON 932) plus EUR 5 or RON 23 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (b) (i) Within period pursuant to section 4(i) (ii) before the end of the period specified in section 4(ii) Annex 1.31 Fees Ord.
San Marino	No	A translation of the patent description and claims into Italian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. The translation must be certified by the patentee or his representative.	Yes, foreign applicants must appoint a professional representative who has been entered on the list of patent attorneys maintained by the USBM. An address for correspondence in the Republic of San Marino must be given.	6 months as from the date on which the mention of grant of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 5(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009	(a) EUR 100 plus EUR 10 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Tab. I Fees Decree
Serbia	No	A translation of the patent specification into Serbian must be filed with the Serbian Intellectual Property Office. Art. 149(2) PL	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney. Art. 5(1) PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Art. 149(2)(3) PL	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 149(2)(3) PL

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(a) No, but recommended (b) 3	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20 or RON 92 (from 1.1.2019: RON 93) Art. 7(2) AccEPCLaw Annex 1.36 Fees Ord.	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned, - names and addresses of the owner(s) and the inventor(s), - the title of the invention in Romanian, - drawings, if any, - as well as a signed declaration stating that the translation corresponds to the original text of the patent specification. If the EPO maintains the patent in an amended form, a Romanian translation of the amended text must be filed.
(a) Yes (b) 2	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention of the translation in the official bulletin Entry in the patent register	a) Yes b) No	The translation must be signed by the representative. The translation of the European patent must comprise: - the title of the invention - the description - the claims - drawings, if any The translation must be accompanied by a declaration stating that the translation corresponds to the original text, signed by the proprietor or the professional representative If the EPO maintains the patent in an amended form, a translation of the amended text must be filed. The translation has to be filed in paper form and on CD or DVD in PDF format.
(a) Yes *(www.zis.gov.rs/upload/documents/pdf_sr/pep-rs novi.pdf)* (b) 2	Publication of the translation and any corrections Mention of the published printed patent document and of any corrections in the Intellectual Property Gazette Art. 149(10) PL Art. 54 Rules	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 150(3)(5) PL	-

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Slovakia	No	A translation of the patent specification into Slovak must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes § 79 (2) PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to limit or maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin; additional 3 months if no translation is submitted provided surcharge is paid. The additional 3-month period is not applicable if the patent is limited or maintained in amended form. §§ 63(2), (3) and 65(3), (4) PA	(a) Publication and making available the translation or amended translation, or translation of the amended wording of the European patent within the prescribed time limit: EUR 116 Publication and making available the filed translation of the European patent document within the additional period: EUR 232 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Schedule of Fees, item 216a(c) and (d) Fees Law
Slovenia	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Slovene must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 27(2) IPA	No (provided an address for correspondence in Slovenia is given). For other requests or acts before SIPO, an authorised professional representative, registered at the SIPO, is mandatory. Art. 129 IPA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 27(2) IPA	(a) EUR 100 (Publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 1(1.4.1) Fees Decr.
Spain	No	A translation of the patent specification into Spanish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC (see section 9). Art. 155 NPL Art. 95 RD 316	No, if proprietor resides in Spain or in a country of the EU. Requirements in section 9 must be observed. Art. 175 NPL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin (see section 9) Art. 155 NPL	(a) EUR 320.93 plus EUR 12.90 for each page of the translation in excess of 22 for translations on paper, EUR 272.79 plus EUR 10.97 in electronic form Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. (b) Within one month of filing the translation Translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 155 NPL Art. 95 RD 316 NPL Annex

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No (b) 1	Mention in the official journal Internet Inspection in reading room	(a) Yes (b) EUR 116 § 62(3) PA Schedule of Fees, item 216a(c) Fees Law	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided.
(a) No, but recommended (b) 2 Art. 2, 9 PR	Translation and any corrections published at the Slovenian Patent Documents Server Mention in official bulletin (BIL) Inspection of files and inspection in library Art. 27(5) IPA	(a) Yes (b) EUR 60 (fee for any subsequent publication of the translation) to be paid within the period pursuant to section 4 (see also section 9). Art. 27(2), 28(2) IPA Art. 1(1.4.2) Fees Decr.	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided. Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by SIPO. Art. 28(2) IPA
(a) Yes (b) 1	Translation and any corrections published in the form of a printed patent document Mention of the filing of the translation in "Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial" Entry in the patent register Art. 37, 55, 154 and 156 NPL Art. 95 RD 316	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 96 RD 316 NPL Annex	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Spain must have the translation done by a patent attorney accredited by the OEPM or by a sworn translator/interpreter appointed by the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs or another professional having - knowledge corresponding to at least level C2 of both the original language and Spanish and - a university degree in the technical sector concerned or experience in the form of at least 20 translations of patents in the technical sector. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification even where there is no textual matter. Restitutio in integrum is provided for in cases where an applicant or owner has failed to comply with a time limit for an action in a procedure before the Office in spite of due care required by the circumstances, and that failure has the direct consequence of causing a loss of rights. The request has to be filed within 2 months of removal of the obstacle, provided that the request is filed within 12 months from the date of expiry of the applicable time limit. Art. 53, 155 NPL and MO 320 Art. 95 RD 316

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Sweden	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Swedish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in French or German, a translation into English must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. The translation may also be supplied in Swedish. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement § 82 PA § 60 PD § 39 POR	No § 71 PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. § 82 PA § 60 PD	(a) Basic fee for publication of a translation of a European patent as granted, amended or limited by the EPO, or of a correction of a published translation: SEK 2 500 Fee for amendment of a translation not yet published by PRV of a European patent: SEK 900 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 § 82 PA §§ 45, 64 PD
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(1) London Agreement Art. 148 PA	n/a	n/a	n/a
Turkey	No	A translation of the patent specification into Turkish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes; applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Turkey must appoint an authorised professional representative. R. 12 RegEPC	(i) 3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin (ii) Extension of 3 months by paying a surcharge (see section 9) R. 12 and 14 RegEPC	(a)(i) TRY 2 040 (TRY 1 360)* for publication of a translation of the patent specification or TRY 850 (TRY 570)* for publication of the translation of an amended patent specification (opposition, limitation) (ii) TRY 1 150 (TRY 770)* (b)(i) Within period pursuant to section 4(i) (ii) Within period pursuant to section 4(i); the fees payable pursuant to points (a)(i) and (ii) respectively must be paid together (see section 9) Fees 2018

* Note: Reduced fees for online transactions are indicated in brackets.
All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation in "Svensk Patenttidning" (Swedish Patent Bulletin) Internet § 82 PA	(a) Yes, but only for patents in respect of which the mention of grant was published in the European Patent Bulletin before 1 July 2014 (b) Yes, SEK 2 500 § 91(1) PA §§ 45, 63, 64 PD	The number of the European patent, the title of the invention and the name and address of the patent proprietor must accompany the translation. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification even where there is no textual matter. The drawings are considered part of the description. Neither the abstract nor any sequence listings need to be translated. § 60 PD
n/a	n/a	n/a	-
(a) Yes (b) 2	Mention of the filing of the translation in the "Resmi Patent Bülteni" Inspection in the reading room Copies available R. 13 RegEPC	(a) Yes (b) Publication of a corrected translation of the patent specification: TRY 630 (TRY 425)* Publication of the translation of an amended patent specification (opposition, limitation): TRY 850 (TRY 570)* R. 14 and 16 RegEPC Fees 2018	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned, - names and addresses of applicant(s) and inventor(s), - the title of the invention, - the name and address of the representative, - the IPC, - a signed declaration stating that the translation corresponds to the original text, - the abstract, - drawing and priority data, if applicable. The option of filing the translation during the three-month extension is available **only** if the fee for publication and the surcharge have been paid **in advance**, within the initial period of three months from the mention of grant. R. 12 and 14 RegEPC

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
United Kingdom	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(1) London Agreement R. 56(9) and 56(10) PR Sect. 77(6) and 77(9) PA	n/a	n/a	n/a

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
n/a	n/a	(a) Translations filed under Sect. 77(6) PA prior to 1 May 2008 may be corrected. (i) Form 54 (corrections under Sect. 80(3) PA; R. 56 and R. 57 PR) in duplicate. (ii) in writing (corrections under Sect. 117 PA; R. 105 PR) (b) No Sect. 80(3), 117 PA R. 57, 105 PR Schedule 1 to PFR	-

Validation state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.				
Morocco	No information for extension or validation states, because the London Agreement does not apply to them.	A translation of the **claims** into Arabic or French must be filed with OMPIC Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97	Yes Applicants who do not have a residence or place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative who does. Art. 4 Law No. 17-97	3 months as from publication of mention of grant of patent in European Patent Bulletin Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97 Dec. No. 9/2017
Republic of Moldova	No information for extension or validation States, because the London Agreement does not apply to them.	Romanian translation of the patent specification must be filed with AGEPI Art. 44^2(6) Law No. 50/2008	Yes Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant, maintenance in amended form or limitation of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin Additional period of 3 months, subject to a 100% surcharge on the prescribed fee Art. 44^2(6), 44^2(10) Law No. 50/2008	(a) EUR 100 (b) Date on which the translation is filed Art. 44^2(6) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.				

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes (b) 1 Art. 2 Decr.	In electronic form on OMPIC publication server (*patent.ompic.ma*) Copies available to anyone Mention in official catalogue Grant of validated patent mentioned in patent register Art. 50.4, 49, 89 Law No. 17-97	(a) No (b) n/a	The prescribed form must contain all requisite information.
(a) Yes (b) 1	In electronic form on AGEPI publication server Mention in the Official Bulletin Entry in the National Register of Patents Art. 44^2(9) Law No. 50/2008	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20 Art. 44^3(3) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774	The form prescribed in section 6 must contain all requisite information.

Extension state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Bosnia and Herzegovina	No information for extension or validation states, because the London Agreement does not apply to them.	A translation of the **claims** into an official language of Bosnia and Herzegovina must be filed with the Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina. Art. 5(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(2) PL	Yes	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 5(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(2) PL	(a) Yes (publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
Montenegro	No information for extension or validation states, because the London Agreement does not apply to them.	Patent holder must submit to the competent authority a translation of the **claims** of the European patent into Montenegrin and pay the prescribed publication fee. Art. 145(2) PL	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's Register of Representatives or by a domestic lawyer (Register of Representatives at *www.advokatskakomora.me*). Art. 4 PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Art. 145(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes (b) 1	Database inspection in the Office Copies available Mention in the official gazette ("Glasnik") Art. 145(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 5(3) and 6(3) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(3), 89(3) PL	-
(a) Yes (b) 2	Publication of translation of patent claims and any corrections in the Montenegrin Intellectual Property Gazette Art. 145(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 145(3) PL	-

Former extension state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Albanian must be filed with the GDIP. Art. 82(2) PL	Yes	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 82(2) PL	(a) ALL 1 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 82(2) PL
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** of the European patent into Croatian as well as the European patent specification in English, or translated into English, must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. If the European patent has been maintained in amended form, a translation of the amended claims into Croatian must be filed under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 103(2), (3) and 114 PA Art. 17 Transitional provisions, Amendments to the Patent Act (NN 30/2009)*	Yes Art. 4 PA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the EP or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 103(2), (3) PA	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 16, 103(2) PA
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Macedonian must be filed with SOIP. Art. 1(3) London Agreement	Yes, authorised agent who is either a domestic legal person or a citizen of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Art. 16, 227 PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the EP or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 5(2), (3) Ext. Reg.	(a) MKD 3 000 (publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4

* The Agreement on the Application of Article 65 EPC (the London Agreement) applies to all European patents and extended European patents granted after 1 May 2008, irrespective of whether they are granted after a first-instance procedure, an opposition procedure or an appeal procedure, and in respect of which the mention of grant or amendment is published by the EPO.

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes (b) 2 Art. 82(4) PL	Publication of the translation and any corrections Entry in the patent register Art. 82(4) PL	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000 Art. 83(3) PL	-
(a) No, but recommended (b) 1 Art. 2(1) PO	Mention of the filing of the translation in the official gazette Translation and any corrections published in the form of a printed patent document Entry in the patent register Inspection of files Copies available for viewing and downloading from the internet website Art. 103(5) PA Art. 21 PO	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 104(3) PA	Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by the Croatian Intellectual Property Office. Art. 104(3) PA
(a) Yes, Form об. ДЗИС -П5 (b) 3 Art. 5(3) Ext. Reg.	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the official gazette ("Glasnik") Art. 5(3) Ext. Reg.	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 5(3) Ext. Reg.	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided. Art. 5(5) Ext. Reg.

Former extension state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Latvian must be filed with the LV Patent Office. R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the EP or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL	(a) EUR 50 (if filed on paper) or EUR 40 (if filed electronically) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 70(2) PL R. 2.6 Fees Reg.
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Lithuanian must be filed with the LT State Patent Bureau. Art. 71(2) PL	Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC Contracting State must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. Art. 14(3) PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the European patent or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 71(2) PL	(a) Publication of claims: EUR 46 plus EUR 14 for the 16th and each subsequent claim. Publication of amended claims: EUR 34 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 71(2) PL Fees Law
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	No	A translation of the patent specification into Romanian must be filed with the OSIM.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Romania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the OSIM.	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin	(a) EUR 100 or RON 460 (from 1.1.2019: RON 466) plus EUR 5 or RON 23 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Annex 1.31(a) Fees Ord. Art. V.2 GO
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	No	A translation of the patent specification into Serbian must be filed with the Serbian Intellectual Property Office. Art. 124(2) PL Ext.	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's Register of Representatives or by a domestic attorney. Art. 5 PL	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin Art. 124(2)(3) PL Ext.	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 124(2) PL Ext.

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) Yes (b) 1	Translation and any corrections published in the official bulletin Inspection at the LV Patent Office Entry in the patent register Art. 35 PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	The translation of the claims must be accompanied by a copy of the EP specification. Full translation is required only for legal proceedings. Art. 72 PL
(a) No (b) 2 R. 8, 9 Ext. Order	Publication of the translation and any corrections in the official bulletin of the State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania Inspection of the official bulletin online at *http://vpb.lrv.lt* Art. 71(4) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) Art. 71(3), 72(3) PL Fees Law	Full translation is required only for legal proceedings.
(a) No, but recommended (b) 3	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin Art. V.2, 4 GO	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20 or RON 92 (from 1.1.2019: RON 93) Art. V.3, 4 GO Annex 1.36 Fees Ord.	The following data must be provided with the translation: - EP application and publication numbers, - EP application and publication dates, - number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned, - names and addresses of the owner(s) and the inventor(s), - the title of the invention in Romanian, - drawings, if any, - as well as a signed declaration stating that the translation corresponds to the original text of the patent specification. If the EPO maintains the patent in an amended form, a Romanian translation of the amended text must be filed.
(a) Yes (b) 2	Publication of the translation and any corrections Mention of the published printed patent document and of any corrections in the Intellectual Property Gazette Art. 124(4) PL Ext.	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 125(3) PL Ext.	-

Former extension state	1 Contracting state to the London Agreement?	2 Translation requirements	3 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	4 Period for filing the translation	5 (a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	A translation of the **claims** into Slovenian must be filed with SIPO.	Translations of **claims** may be filed and fees may be paid direct by the proprietor of the European patent, provided an address for correspondence on Slovenian territory is given. For other requests or acts before SIPO, an authorised professional representative, registered at the SIPO, is mandatory. Art. 129 IPA	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the European patent or the decision to maintain the patent as amended is published in the European Patent Bulletin. Art. 5(2) Ext. Decr.	(a) EUR 100 (publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 (see also section 9) Art. 1(1.4.1) Fees Decr. Art. 5(2) Ext. Decr.

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed	7 Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	8 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	9 Special features
(a) No, but recommended (b) 2	Translation and any corrections published at the Slovenian Patent Documents Server Mention in official bulletin (BIL) Inspection of files Inspection in library	(a) Yes (b) EUR 60 (Fee for any subsequent publication of the translation), to be paid within the period pursuant to section 4 (see also section 9)	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has been duly provided. Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by SIPO.
Art. 2, 9 PR	Art. 5(3) Ext. Decr.	Art. 5, 6(3) Ext. Decr. Art. 1(1.4.2) Fees Decr.	Art. 6(3) Ext. Decr.

V. Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent (Article 70 EPC)

In any proceedings before the European Patent Office and in any contracting state, the text of a European patent application or a European patent in the language of the proceedings is the authentic text.

Any contracting state may provide that a translation, as provided for in the Convention, in an official language of that state, shall in that state be regarded as authentic, except for revocation proceedings, in the event of the application or patent in the language of the translation conferring protection (Article 69 EPC) which is narrower than that conferred by it in the language of the proceedings.

Any contracting state which adopts a provision of this kind

(a) must allow the applicant for or proprietor of the patent to file a corrected translation of the European patent application or European patent

(b) may prescribe that any person who, in that state, in good faith is using or has made effective and serious preparations for using an invention the use of which would not constitute infringement of the application or patent in the original translation may, after the corrected translation takes effect, continue such use in the course of his business or for the needs thereof without payment (Article 70(4)(b) EPC).

The following table indicates which text of a European patent application or European patent is authentic in the event of translations pursuant to Articles 67(3) and 65(1) EPC being filed, and whether a state has made provision for use in good faith in the meantime as provided for in Article 70(4)(b) EPC.

It also contains information about which text of a European patent application or patent is considered the authentic text under the national laws of the extension and validation states.

Contracting state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Has provision pursuant to Art. 70(4)(b) EPC been made?
Albania	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 87/dh(2) PL	Yes Art. 87/dh(4) PL
Austria	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 6(1) ILPT	Yes § 6(4) ILPT
Belgium	No provisions pursuant to Art. 70(3) EPC. Authentic text is that in the language of the proceedings.	n/a
Bulgaria	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 72d(1) PL	Yes Art. 72d(5) PL
Croatia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 108.f(2) PA	Yes Art. 108.f(4) PA
Cyprus	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Sect. 67(1) PL	Yes Sect. 67(3) PL
Czech Republic	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 35d(1) PA	Yes § 35d(3) PA
Denmark	If the translation does not correspond to the text in the language of the EPO proceedings, the protection conferred by the patent only extends to the subject-matter disclosed in both texts. § 85(1) PA	Yes § 86(3) PA
Estonia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 8 IA	Yes § 9(3) IA
Finland	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. In invalidity proceedings, the text as published by the EPO. § 70p PA	Yes § 70q PA
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
France	Text in the language of the proceedings before the EPO. In the event of litigation, the judge or defendant may require a full translation of the patent into French. Art. L. 614-7 PL	Yes Art. L. 614-10 PL
Germany	No provisions pursuant to Art. 70(3) EPC. Authentic text is that in the language of the proceedings.	No

Contracting state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Has provision pursuant to Art. 70(4)(b) EPC been made?
Greece	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 14(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Yes Art. 16 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88
Hungary	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. If a Hungarian translation of the text of the European patent other than the claims was voluntarily submitted after validation, the general rule applies to this translation once it has been published by the HIPO. Art. 84/J PA	Yes Art. 84/K(6) PA
Iceland	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 85(1) PA	Yes Art. 86(3) PA
Ireland	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. In all other cases, the text in the language of the proceedings is the authentic text. Sect. 121 PA	Yes Sect. 121(4) PA
Italy	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 57(2) PL	Yes Art. 57(5) PL
Latvia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 72(1)(2) PL	Yes Art. 72(4) PL
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	
Lithuania	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 80(1), (2) PL	Yes Art. 80(3) PL
Luxembourg*	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 6(1) Law of 27.5.77	Yes Art. 6(2) Law of 27.5.77
Malta	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. R. 8(1) L.N. 99/2007	Yes R. 8(3) L.N. 99/2007
Monaco*	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 3(1) SO No. 10.427	Yes Art. 3(3) SO No. 10.427
Netherlands	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 52(9) PA	Yes Art. 55(3) PA

* Contracting state requires only a translation of the claims pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC.

Contracting state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Has provision pursuant to Art. 70(4)(b) EPC been made?
Norway	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 66i PL	Yes § 66j(1) and (2) PL
Poland	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 7 § 2 EPAL	Yes Art. 7 § 4 EPAL
Portugal	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 84 PA	Yes Art. 85(2) PA
Romania	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 7 AccEPCLaw	Yes Art. 7(3) AccEPCLaw
San Marino	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings Art. 6(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009	Yes Art. 6(5) Decree Law No. 76/2009
Serbia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Authentic text is a translation. The text of a European patent application or a European patent in the language of the proceedings before the European Patent Office is the authentic text in revocation proceedings if the protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings before the European Patent Office. Art. 150(2) PL	Yes Art. 150(6) PL
Slovakia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 62(1) and (2) PA	Yes § 62(5) PA
Slovenia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 28(1) IPA	Yes Art. 28(3) IPA
Spain	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 157 NPL	Yes Art. 96 RD 316
Sweden	For patents in respect of which the mention of grant was published in the European Patent Bulletin before 1 July 2014: both original text and translation to the extent that they correspond; in invalidity proceedings, the text as published by the EPO. For patents in respect of which the mention of grant was published in the European Patent Bulletin on or after 1 July 2014: the original text as published by the EPO. § 90 PA	Yes § 91(3) PA (Revoked in 2014, thus applicable only to applications filed before 1 July 2014.)

Contracting state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Has provision pursuant to Art. 70(4)(b) EPC been made?
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	n/a	n/a
Turkey	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. R. 15 RegEPC	Yes R. 17 RegEPC
United Kingdom	Translation filed under Sect. 77 or Sect. 78 PA, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings (except in revocation proceedings). In all other cases, the text in the language of the proceedings is the authentic text. Sect. 80(1), (2) PA	Yes Sec. 80(4) PA

Validation state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Specific provisions, if a revised translation takes effect, for third parties who began using the invention in good faith on the basis of the original one
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.	
Morocco	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97	No, see table IV, section 7
Republic of Moldova	The text of a European patent application or a European patent in the language of proceedings before the EPO is the authentic text in any proceedings in the Republic of Moldova. Art. 44^3(1) Law No. 50/2008	Any person who, in good faith, uses or has made effective and serious preparations for using the invention and such use would not constitute infringement of the application or patent as originally translated may, after the corrected translation takes effect, continue such use in the course of his business or for the needs thereof without payment. Art. 44^3(4) Law No. 50/2008
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.	

Extension state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Specific provisions, if a revised translation takes effect, for third parties who began using the invention in good faith on the basis of the original one
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 6(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 89(2) PL	Yes Art. 6(4) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 89(4) PL
Montenegro	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 146(2) PL	Yes Art. 146(4) PL

Former extension state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Specific provisions, if a revised translation takes effect, for third parties who began using the invention in good faith on the basis of the original one
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 83(1), (2) PL	Yes Art. 83(3) PL
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 104(2) PA	Yes Art. 104(4) PA
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 6(2) Ext. Reg.	Yes Art. 6(3) Ext. Reg.
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 72 PL	Yes Art. 72 PL
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 72(1), (2) PL	Yes Art. 72(3) PL
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. VI.2 GO	Yes Art. VI.3 GO

Former extension state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Specific provisions, if a revised translation takes effect, for third parties who began using the invention in good faith on the basis of the original one
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Authentic text is a translation. The text of a European patent application or a European patent in the language of the proceedings before the European Patent Office is the authentic text in revocation proceedings if the protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings before the European Patent Office. Art. 150(2) PL Ext.	Yes Art. 150(6) PL Ext.
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 6(2) Ext. Decr.	Yes Art. 6(3) Ext. Decr.

A. Payment of renewal fees for European patents VI.

B. Payment of renewal fees after a successful petition for review (Article 112a(5) EPC)

Under Article 141 EPC, "national" renewal fees in respect of a European patent may be imposed for the years which follow that in which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published in the "European Patent Bulletin". If a renewal fee becomes due shortly before such publication, it is still to be paid to the EPO. The mention of grant will in this case not be published until the renewal fee has been paid. Further information on the calculation of the patent years for which "national" renewal fees are to be paid is published in Official Journal 6/1984, p. 272 f.

The table in Part A indicates the most important national provisions and requirements to be observed when paying "national renewal fees" in respect of European patents. It takes no account of national provisions concerning reductions in renewal fees in connection with licences of right, or of any stipulations applying to the possibilities of extending or deferring payment.

Irrespective of the information given in section 3 of the following table, the minimum period referred to in Article 141(2) EPC is decisive for all contracting states, i.e. "national" renewal fees in respect of a European patent falling due within two months of the publication of the mention of the grant of the European patent are deemed to have been validly paid if they are paid within that period. Any additional fee provided for under national law will not be charged.

Attention is particularly drawn to the fact that the fees given in sections 1 and 3 are frequently subject to change in various contracting states. The EPO can therefore accept no responsibility for the validity of those figures. As in the past, however, it will endeavour to report such changes as soon as possible in the Official Journal.

The table in Part A also shows what provisions of national law govern the payment of renewal fees for extended or validated European patents in the extension and validation states.

A **petition for review under Article 112a EPC** may result in the restoration of a previously revoked European patent under the following circumstances:

- a board of appeal revoked a European patent or dismissed an appeal against its revocation by an opposition division

- the proprietor filed a petition for review under Article 112a EPC against the board's decision

- the Enlarged Board of Appeal considered the petition allowable and therefore re opened the proceedings before the board under Article 112a(5) EPC.

The revoked European patent is thereby restored and national renewal fees may then become payable for the period during which it was revoked.

Renewal fees will naturally also be payable while the re-opened board proceedings are pending.

The table in Part B indicates the national provisions and requirements to be observed when paying "national renewal fees" in respect of a European patent where – following a successful petition for review – the Enlarged Board of Appeal decides to set aside a decision revoking it and re open the appeal proceedings.

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Albania Art. 40, 41, 86 Fees Decr.	**Year ALL Year ALL** 1st 0 11th 27 000 2nd 5 000 12th 30 000 3rd 6 000 13th 35 000 4th 8 000 14th 40 000 5th 10 000 15th 45 000 6th 12 000 16th 50 000 7th 14 000 17th 55 000 8th 18 000 18th 60 000 9th 20 000 19th 65 000 10th 25 000 20th 70 000	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 41(2) PL	(a) (i) 6 months from due date (ii) 8 months from due date (b) (i) 50% (ii) 100% Art. 41(3) PL Chapter 16 (2.1) PR Fees Decr.
Austria § 9 LPOF Enquiries re renewal fees: Accounts: Tel. +43 1 53424-396 Fax +43 1 53424-192 Enquiries re patent register: Tel. +43 1 53424-240 Fax +43 1 53424-535	**Year EUR Year EUR** 6th 104 14th 940 7th 208 15th 1 044 8th 313 16th 1 148 9th 417 17th 1 253 10th 522 18th 1 357 11th 626 19th 1 566 12th 731 20th 1 775 13th 835 § 6(2), 9(2) LPOF	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) For the first fee to be paid: 3 months from due date; subsequent fees must be paid by due date (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before due date. § 9(3) – (5) LPOF	(a) Fee for 1st year: beginning of 4th up to end of 12th month from due date; fees for further years: beginning of 1st up to end of 6th month from due date (b) 20% § 9(4), (5) LPOF

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) Yes (i) to the licensee if the patent proprietor fails to pay the relevant fee in time and a licence in favour of a third party is entered in the patent register (ii) to the owner or his representative. Notifications are sent only to the addresses that the owners of the patents or their representatives have in the territory of the Republic of Albania. (b) (i) Approx. 8 weeks before expiry of the grace period (ii) Within 2 months from the due date Art. 41(3), 46(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) No later than 6 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3 Art. 35 PL	(a) and (c) Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP (b) n/a Art. 35 PL	Publication in the Patent Bulletin Entry in the patent register Part XIV (3.3) PR
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 12 months after expiry of non-observed time limit § 24 ILPT §§ 129 et seq. PA	(a) No (b) No (c) Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria. However, if the residence or place of business is in the EEA, a person authorised to accept service who is a resident of Austria may be appointed instead. (The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain cases.) § 27(1) LPOF § 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin §§ 46, 79, 80 PA

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Belgium Art. 3 Sect. 3 Law of 21.4.07 and Art. 8 RD of 5.12.07** Art. 5 Sect. 3, Law of 8.7.77 and Art. 9 RD of 27.2.81*** Art. XI.83(4) ELC**** Art. 9 RD of 12.5.15**** Art. 1 RD of 9.11.15 Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +32 2 2775296 Fax +32 2 2775262	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 40 12th 240 4th 55 13th 275 5th 75 14th 320 6th 95 15th 360 7th 110 16th 400 8th 135 17th 450 9th 165 18th 500 10th 185 19th 555 11th 215 20th 600 Art. XI.48 ELC Art. 1 RD of 9.11.15	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing of the application for a European patent not having unitary effect occurred (b) As of 22 September 2014, there is no period for payment without a surcharge. A surcharge is payable if the renewal fee is paid late. (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before the fee due date. Art. XI.48 ELC Art. 8 RD of 5.12.07** Art. 9 RD of 27.2.81*** Art. 9 RD of 12.5.15****	(a) If the renewal fee is not paid in time, it can still be paid, subject to a surcharge, within a grace period of 6 months from the original due date (b) 3rd-10th year: EUR 85 11th-20th year: EUR 230 Art. XI.48(1), subpara. 4, ELC Art. 1 RD of 9.11.15

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

** European patents for which the application was filed between 13 December 2007 and 21 September 2014.

*** European patents for which the application was filed before 13 December 2007.

**** European patents for which the application was filed after 22 September 2014.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) With effect from the entry into force of the ELC provisions on patents, the specific procedure under Art. 40 of the Law of 28.3.1984 for re-establishing rights lost owing to late payment of fees has been replaced by a general re-establishment procedure under Art. XI.77 ELC. This general procedure applies to European patents granted prior to the ELC's entry into force (Article 35(3) Law of 19.4.2014). The period for filing a request for re-establishment of rights is whichever of the following two expires earlier: - 2 months from the date of the removal of the cause of failure to comply with the time limit for the action in question - 12 months from the date of expiry of the grace period under Art. XI.48(1), subpara. 4, ELC (i.e. 6 months from the due date of the renewal fee). The renewal fee must be paid within the applicable period for filing the request for re-establishment of rights. The request must give the reasons for failing to meet the deadline (due caretest applied) and the supporting evidence must be produced within 2 months of the date of filing the request. A EUR 350 re-establishment fee is also payable. If the request is granted, the legal consequences of the failure to observe the time limit will be deemed not to have ensued. The decision as to whether to grant or refuse the request will be entered in the register. If the request is granted, any renewal fee would have fallen due in the period from the date of the loss of rights up to and including the date on which the decision to re-establish rights is entered in the register, must be paid within 4 months of the latter date. Art. XI.77 ELC Art. 27a RD of 2.12.86	(a) No, any person can pay renewal fees. (b) n/a (c) see table III.B, section 1 Art. XI.62(4) ELC	Confirmation of non-payment on request Entry in the patent register Art. XI.48(2) ELC

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Bulgaria Art. 72e, 33 PL Decr. Fees Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +359 2 9701422 Fax +359 2 8708325, 8735258	**Year** **BGN** **Year** **BGN** 3rd 40 12th 700 4th 40 13th 800 5th 140 14th 900 6th 180 15th 1 000 7th 220 16th 1 100 8th 270 17th 1 200 9th 380 18th 1 300 10th 500 19th 1 500 11th 600 20th 1 700 Decr. Fees	(a) Last day of the month in which the preceding patent year expires. (Each patent year starts from the filing date of the patent application) (b) 2 months under the conditions laid down in Article 141 EPC (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 33(1), (2) PL	(a) 6 months from due date (b) twice the rate Art. 33(3) PL
Croatia Art. 74 PA	**Year** **HRK** **Year** **HRK** 3rd 320 12th 1 800 4th 360 13th 2 000 5th 420 14th 2 100 6th 500 15th 2 300 7th 620 16th 2 900 8th 740 17th 3 500 9th 920 18th 4 600 10th 1 200 19th 5 800 11th 1 700 20th 6 900 Art. 13 RCh	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision: payment may be made for more than one patent year. However, if the fees are subsequently changed, the patent proprietor will be obliged to pay the difference between the amount paid in advance and the amount due for the year concerned. Art. 108.j(1) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 100% Art. 74(3) PA

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b1) A patent that has lapsed due to non-payment of an annual renewal fee may be renewed within 6 months of expiry of the time limit referred to in Art. 33(3) PL on payment of a fee for this and double the originally due fee. (b2) 3 months after the reason ceases to apply; no later than 12 months after expiry of non-observed time limit Art. 26(2), 49 PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin
(a) Yes (b) Approx. 1 month after due date Art. 74(4) PA	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months of the removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or of date party becomes aware of non-compliance with the time limit, if this date is later; request is only admissible within 1 year of the expiry of the time limit Art. 57 PA	(a) No (b) Yes (c) Yes Art. 4 PA	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette Art. 26, 32(3) PO

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(b) 25% per month

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* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (Form P.14 P.15) (b) Within 12 months of expiry of the period of grace under section 3	(a) Yes (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette
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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) No (b) n/a (c) n/a	Publication in Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office) Entry in the patent register Information on changes in legal status is subsequently made available in the National Database of Patents and Utility Models – List of Register items (*www.upv.cz*) and through the Federated Register in the European Patent Register (*www.epo.org*)
	§ 11(1)(a) LRenFees	§ 70 PA	§ 69(1), (2) PA

Contracting state **Legal basis for levying renewal fees**	**1** **Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)**	**2** **(a) Due date (in the patent year concerned)** **(b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)*** **(c) Earliest possible date for payment**	**3** **Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge)** **(a) duration** **(b) surcharge**
Denmark § 81, 99 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +45 43 508000 Fax +45 43 508001	**Year DKK Year DKK** 1st 500 11th 2 550 2nd 500 12th 2 800 3rd 500 13th 3 050 4th 1 100 14th 3 300 5th 1 250 15th 3 600 6th 1 400 16th 3 900 7th 1 600 17th 4 200 8th 1 800 18th 4 500 9th 2 050 19th 4 800 10th 2 300 20th 5 100 § 99(1) PA	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before due date. § 41(1) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20% § 81(2), 41(3), 99(2) PA
Estonia § 10 IA § 104(3) FA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +372 6277908 *(patent register)* Fax +372 6277943	**Year EUR Year EUR** 1st 26 11th 245 2nd 26 12th 285 3rd 64 13th 320 4th 77 14th 360 5th 96 15th 405 6th 120 16th 450 7th 135 17th 495 8th 155 18th 540 9th 180 19th 585 10th 205 20th 630 § 106(3) FA	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. § 10(3) IA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 10% § 10(4) IA

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

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(a) No, but a postal cheque form will be sent to applicants/ representatives (b) 2-4 weeks after due date	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 1 year from expiry of period of grace under section 3 § 72 PA	(a) No (b) No (c) No § 66 PA	Publication in Dansk Patenttidende (Danish Patent Gazette) Entry in the patent register § 51 PA § 47 PO
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 1 year from expiry of period of grace under section 3 § 29(2), (3) PA	(a) No (b) n/a (c) n/a § 15 IA	Publication in Eesti Patendileht (official gazette) Entry in the patent register § 38(2) PA § 17 IA

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Finland §§ 41, 51, 70l PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +358 29 5095000 Fax +358 29 5095328	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd (incl. 1st to 3rd year) 200 12th 500 4th 125 13th 550 5th 150 14th 600 6th 200 15th 650 7th 250 16th 700 8th 300 17th 750 9th 350 18th 800 10th 400 19th 850 11th 450 20th 900 Fees Decr.	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred. The first renewal fee is not, however, due for payment until the last day of the third month following the month the patent was granted. (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. § 41, 70 l PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20% § 41 PA Fees Decr.
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Art. 86 PL Tariff No. 109 Fees Law	**Year** **MKD** **Year** **MKD** 3rd 800 12th 5 000 4th 1 000 13th 6 000 5th 1 200 14th 7 000 6th 1 400 15th 8 000 7th 1 600 16th 9 000 8th 1 800 17th 10 000 9th 2 000 18th 11 000 10th 3 000 19th 12 000 11th 4 000 20th 13 000	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) 2 months from due date (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date.	(a)(i) 3 months from due date (ii) 9 months from due date (b)(i) 25% (ii) 100%

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 12 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3 § 71a PA	(a) No (b) No (c) No	Publication in Patenttilehti (Finnish patent bulletin) Entry in the patent register § 55 PA § 40 PD
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) No later than 3 months from expiry of the non-observed time limit	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette

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France Art. L. 612-19 PL Art. R. 613-46, R. 613-47, R. 613-63 and R. 614-16 Reg. Enquiries re renewal fees: Département des Titres, Service des annuités: Tel. +33 3 28363493 Fax +33 3 28363481	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 2nd 38 12th 300 3rd 38 13th 350 4th 38 14th 400 5th 38 15th 450 6th 76 16th 510 7th 96 17th 570 8th 136 18th 640 9th 180 19th 720 10th 220 20th 790 11th 260 subject to possible adjustment under Art. R. 613-63 Reg Fees Ord. of 24.4.08	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) If the payment made up to the date specified under (a) is insufficient, no surcharge is payable if the deficit is made good within the period for payment of the surcharge (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. l. 612-19 PL R. 613-46, R. 613-47 Reg.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% of the due renewal fee Art. L. 612-19 PL Art. R. 613-46, R. 613-47 and R. 618-3 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08
Germany Art. II § 7 LIPC in conjunction with § 17 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 89 2195-2221	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 70 12th 620 4th 70 13th 760 5th 90 14th 910 6th 130 15th 1 060 7th 180 16th 1 230 8th 240 17th 1 410 9th 290 18th 1 590 10th 350 19th 1 760 11th 470 20th 1 940 Renewal fees falling due after the filing of a licence of right endorsement are reduced by half. If the renewal fees for the 3rd to 5th years are paid together when the 3rd year fee falls due, the total payable is reduced to EUR 200. § 23(1) PA Fees Schedule LPF	(a) Last day of the month containing the anniversary of the date of filing (b) Up to the end of the second month from the due date (c) Payment may not be made more than one year before due date. Exception: 3rd to 5th renewal fees may be paid when 3rd fee falls due (No. 312 205 Fees Schedule LPF) §§ 3(2), 5(2), 7(1) first sentence LPF Art. II § 7 LIPC	(a) Up to end of 6th month from due date (b) EUR 50 § 7(1) second sentence LPF Fees Schedule LPF

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(a) Yes (reminders are sent abroad) (b) 2 months after the due date not observed. Art. R. 613-48 Reg.	(a) Yes (b) Within one year of expiry of the six-month grace period and within two months of removal of the cause of non-compliance (the unpaid renewal fee must also be paid within this two-month period). Fee for appeal: EUR 156 Art. L. 612-16 PL Art. R. 613-52 Reg.	(a) No (b) No, but is recommended that an address for service in France be given (c) No	Determined by decision of the Director of INPI (communication to proprietor of patent) Publication of decision in the official bulletin (BOPI) Entry in the patent register Art. L. 613-22 PL Art. R. 613-50 Reg.
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than one year after expiry of non-observed time limit § 123 PA	(a) No (b) No (c) Yes (see also notice No. 4/84 of the President of the DPMA in Bl.f.PMZ 1984, 117 = OJ EPO 1984, 275) § 25 PA	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin § 30(1), 32(5) PA

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Greece Art. 24 Law No. 1733/87 Art. 17, 18a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Enquiries re renewal fees and validation: Tel. +30 210 6183509 Fax +30 210 6819231	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 20 12th 300 4th 50 13th 400 5th 80 14th 500 6th 90 15th 600 7th 100 16th 700 8th 115 17th 800 9th 140 18th 900 10th 190 19th 1 000 11th 240 20th 1 100 Dec. of 10.2.2012	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Any time after the filing date Art. 24(2) Law No. 1733/87	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 24(2) Law No. 1733/87

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(a) Yes, to the address for service in Greece, but not mandatory; reminders are not sent abroad. (b) Approx. 1 month before expiry of period of grace	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Payment must be made by the patentee or a Greek legal practitioner. Patentees with neither residence nor principal place of business in Greece must appoint a representative for service in that country. (b) No, but an address for service in Greece must be given. (c) n/a	Publication in the EDBI; the loss of rights takes effect as from the date of publication.
		Art. 19 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 16(2) Law No. 1733/87

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Hungary Art. 84/L PA Art. 3(7) FeeDecr	**Year** **HUF** 1st 17 600 2nd 17 600 3rd 17 600 4th 88 000 5th 110 000 6th 148 500 7th 148 500 8th 148 500 9th 148 500 10th 148 500 11th 148 500 12th 148 500 13th 154 000 14th 154 000 15th 154 000 16th 154 000 17th 159 500 18th 159 500 19th 165 000 20th 165 000 Art. 3(7) FeeDecr	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) 3 months from due date If the first renewal fee is due within 3 months of the publication of the mention of grant in the European Patent Bulletin, the renewal fee may be paid within said 3 months without a surcharge. Renewal fees which – in the case of revocation of a European patent as a result of an omission or a decision reviewed by the Enlarged Board of Appeal – would have been due after the revocation, may also be paid within a grace period of six months from the communication of the decision re-establishing the rights or re-opening proceedings before the Board of Appeal. (c) Payment may not be made more than 2 months before due date. Art. 23, 84/L(2), (3), 115/M(3) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (the first 3 months without surcharge) (b) 4th, 5th and 6th month: 50% Art. 23, 115/M PA

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(a) Yes, but not binding (b) One payment reminder issued before the due date and another during the period of grace	(a) No, however, request for restoration of patent protection is possible (b) Within 3 months of the end of the period of grace if double the amount of that year's renewal fee is paid within that period	Unless an international treaty provides otherwise, foreign applicants whose permanent residence or seat is not in the territory of the EEA must appoint a professional representative who is entitled to act before the HIPO. This professional representative does not have to be a national professional representative but must be domiciled in the EEA.	Publication in the official gazette of the HIPO, the "Szabadalmi Közlöny és Védjegyértesítő" Entry in the patent register (available also from the HIPO website)
	Art. 40 PA Art. 9(4) FeeDecr	Art. 51(1), (4) PA	Art. 54, 56 and 56/A PA

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Iceland Art. 81 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +35 4 580-9400 Fax +35 4 580-9401	**Year** **ISK** **Year** **ISK** 1st 11 000 11th 25 300 2nd 11 000 12th 27 600 3rd 11 000 13th 30 500 4th 12 700 14th 34 500 5th 13 800 15th 38 600 6th 15 000 16th 42 600 7th 16 700 17th 47 800 8th 18 400 18th 52 400 9th 20 700 19th 57 500 10th 23 000 20th 63 300 Art. 3 Fees Reg.	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred. The renewal fee for the 1st year, however, does not become due until 4 months after grant. (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before due date. Art. 41(1), 81(1) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20% Art. 81(2), 41(3) PA Art. 2(2) Fees Reg.
Ireland Sect. 99 PA R. 34 PR Schedule I Fees Rules Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +353 56 7720122 Fax +353 56 7720100	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 60 12th 265 4th 90 13th 285 5th 114 14th 311 6th 134 15th 335 7th 150 16th 356 8th 176 17th 382 9th 194 18th 408 10th 220 19th 438 11th 242 20th 468	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 4 months before due date. Form No. 4, duly completed, is to be filed with the payment. Art. 36(3) PA R. 34(2), (3) PR	(a) up to 6 months on request made by or on behalf of the proprietor to the Controller (b) 1st - 3rd month: EUR 11 per month 4th - 6th month: EUR 19 per month (a) and (b) The request for extension and the additional fee must be submitted before expiry of the period of extension specified in the request. Art. 36(3) PA Schedule I Fees Rules

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 12 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	(a), (b) and (c) An applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have an agent residing in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement, Switzerland or the Faroe Islands, who can represent the applicant in all matters concerning the application. When the patent has taken effect in Iceland, no agent is needed except when the Patent Office so requires.	Publication in ELS-tíðindi (Icelandic Patent Gazette) Entry in the patent register
	Art. 72 PA	Art. 12, 66 PA	Art. 51 PA Art. 93 PR
(a) Yes (b) No later than 6 weeks after due date	(a) Yes (b) Within 2 years of the date on which the patent lapsed	(a) No (b) No, but an address for service in the European Community must be given (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the Patents Office Journal
R. 34(5), (6) PR	Sect. 37 PA R. 35 PR	Sect. 37(2) PA R. 34(5), (6), 93(1) PR SI No. 141 of 2006	

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Italy Min. Decr. of 2.4.2007	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 5th 60 13th 530 6th 90 14th 600 7th 120 15th 650 8th 170 16th 650 9th 200 17th 650 10th 230 18th 650 11th 310 19th 650 12th 410 20th 650	(a) Last day of month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision.	(a) 6 months after due date (b) EUR 100
Latvia Art. 73 PL Fees Reg.	**Year** **EUR** 3rd 90 4th 120 5th 140 6th 160 7th 180 8th 220 9th 270 10th-15th 320 16th-20th 420	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) A fee falling due within 3 months of the publication of the mention of grant in the European Patent Bulletin may be paid without surcharge within this 3-month period. (c) No information available. Art. 73(2) PL	(a) 6 months (b) 25% Art. 43 PL
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland		

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 2 months of removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit, but no later than 12 months after expiry of non-observed time limit. Art. 193(2) PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) No	Confirmation of non-payment on request
(a) Yes, but not mandatory (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle, but no later than 12 months after expiry of the non-observed time limit Art. 26 PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	Communication to representative Entry in the patent register Publication in the official bulletin

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Lithuania Appendix I Fees Law	**Year** / **EUR** 3rd 81 4th 92 5th 115 6th 139 7th 162 8th 185 9th 208 10th 231 11th-15th 289 16th-20th 347 Appendix I Fees Law	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (the patent years starting on the anniversary of the date of filing) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 2 months before due date. Fees Law Art. 36(4) PL	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 36(5) PL
Luxembourg Art. 10 Law of 27.5.77 Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +35 2 247-84113, -84120, -84156 Fax +35 2 247-94113 bpp@eco.etat.lu	**Year** / **EUR** / **Year** / **EUR** 3rd 33 12th 165 4th 41 13th 180 5th 52 14th 198 6th 66 15th 213 7th 82 16th 230 8th 99 17th 246 9th 115 18th 262 10th 131 19th 281 11th 148 20th 300 Art. 5 Fees Reg.	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 10 Law of 27.5.77 Art. 67, 68, 92(3) PL Art. 6, 7 Fees Reg.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) EUR 20 Art. 10 Law of 27.5.77 Art. 67 PL Art. 6, 9 Fees Reg.

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(a) Yes (b) after the due date Art. 36(5) PL	(a) Yes (request fee: EUR 173) (b) Within two months of removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or within 12 months of expiry of the non-observed time limit or, in cases of non-compliance with the time limit for payment of renewal fees, within 12 months of expiry of the grace period prescribed in Article 5*bis* of the Paris Convention, whichever period ends earlier. Art. 33 PL Fees Law	(a) and (c) Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. (b) n/a	Entry in a database of European patents Publication in the official bulletin Online at *http://vpb.lrv.lt* Art. 29 PL
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 20 months from the date of lapse of the patent Art. 70 PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes	Only renewal fees paid are entered in the patent register.

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Malta R. 39 L.N. 117/2002	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 34.94 12th 139.76 4th 46.59 13th 151.41 5th 58.23 14th 163.06 6th 69.88 15th 174.70 7th 81.53 16th 186.35 8th 93.17 17th 198.00 9th 104.82 18th 209.64 10th 116.46 19th 221.29 11th 128.12 20th 232.94 R. 39 L.N.117/2002	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. Art. 26 (2), (3) PA 2000 R. 1 L.N. 117/2002	(a) 6 months from due date (b) Surcharge where maintenance fee is paid later than the last day of the month in which the prescribed due date falls and within 1 month from due date: EUR 11.65 within 2 months from due date: EUR 16.31 within 3 months from due date: EUR 23.29 within 4 months from due date: EUR 32.61 within 5 months from due date: EUR 44.26 within 6 months from due date: EUR 58.23 R. 39 L.N. 117/2002
Monaco Art. 4 PA SO (Fees) Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +377 98989801 Fax +377 92057520	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 1st 1 11th 200 2nd 30 12th 235 3rd 50 13th 270 4th 55 14th 315 5th 85 15th 325 6th 115 16th 340 7th 130 17th 350 8th 135 18th 355 9th 145 19th 375 10th 165 20th 400 SO (Fees)	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 4(2), (3) MD	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20% Art. 5 SO No. 10.427 Art. 4(4) MD

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(a) No (b) n/a R. 24(3) L.N. 117/2002	(a) When unable to observe the time limit set, causing refusal of the patent application, lapse of the patent or loss of any other right or means of redress. (b) Within 2 months from removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or within 12 months from expiry of the non-observed time limit, whichever is the earlier Art. 46(1), (2) PA 2000	(a) Yes (b) No (c) Yes	n/a
(a) Yes (reminders are sent abroad) (b) No information available	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) No (b) No (c) n/a	n/a

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Netherlands Art. 61, 103 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and validity: Tel. +31 88 602 66 60 Fax +31 88 602 90 24	**Fee no. / Year / EUR** 1 / 1st / 0 2 / 2nd / 0 3 / 3rd / 0 4 / 4th / 40 5 / 5th / 100 6 / 6th / 160 7 / 7th / 220 8 / 8th / 280 9 / 9th / 340 10 / 10th / 400 11 / 11th / 500 12 / 12th / 600 13 / 13th / 700 14 / 14th / 800 15 / 15th / 900 16 / 16th / 1 000 17 / 17th / 1 100 18 / 18th / 1 200 19 / 19th / 1 300 20 / 20th / 1 400 The fee number corresponds to the patent year as counted from the date of filing. (For details, please refer to OJ EPO 2008, 412.) Art. 6(7) PR	(a) Renewal fees must be paid for each coming patent year and are due on the last day of the month in which the anniversary of the date of filing falls. (b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision (any time after grant of the patent). Art. 61(1), (2) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 62 PA Art. 6(8) PR

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(a) Yes (b) 1 month before the due date	(a) Yes (b) within two months of discovery of the failure to observe, but no later than one year after expiry of non-observed time limit In the case of failure to observe Art. 9(6), (7) or (8) PA (provisions relating to priority), the request for restitutio must be submitted no later than two months after expiry of the non-observed time limit.	(a) No (b) No (c) No However only patent agents or attorneys at law registered in the Netherlands may represent the patentee or applicant before the NPO.	Entry in the patent register Publication in De Industriële Eigendom
	Art. 23 PA	Art. 23b(1) PA	Art. 20, 62 PA

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Norway Fees Reg.	**Year** **NOK** **Year** **NOK** 1st 700 11th 3 500 2nd 700 12th 3 850 3rd 700 13th 4 200 4th 1 350 14th 4 500 5th 1 650 15th 4 850 6th 2 000 16th 5 200 7th 2 200 17th 5 500 8th 2 550 18th 5 800 9th 2 850 19th 6 200 10th 3 200 20th 6 500 § 29 Fees Reg.	(a) Last day of the calendar month in which the fee year starts, i.e. the month in which the application was filed at the EPO. However, if the month in which the date of original filing with the EPO occurred falls between the month in which the patent was granted by the EPO and the month in which the deadline for translation of documents expires, annual renewal fees are due at the same time as the translated documents at the earliest. (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. §§ 41, 66e PL § 29(2) Fees Reg.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) NOK 700 § 41(3) PL § 29(3) Fees Reg.
Poland Art. 8 EPAL Fees Reg. Reg. of 8.9.2016 Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +48 22 579 05 55 Centrum.Kontaktowe@uprp.gov.pl Contact.Center@uprp.gov.pl *www.uprp.pl*	**Year** **PLN** **Year** **PLN** 1st to 3rd 480 12th 800 4th 250 13th 900 5th 300 14th 950 6th 350 15th 1 050 7th 400 16th 1 150 8th 450 17th 1 250 9th 550 18th 1 350 10th 650 19th 1 450 11th 750 20th 1 550 Annex 1 Fees Reg.	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 224(2), (3) IPL	(a) 6 months after due date (b) 30% Art. 224(4) IPL

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(a) Yes, but not mandatory; reminders are sent in both Norwegian and English in Norway and abroad. (b) Approx. 2 months before expiry of the period of grace under section 3	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 6 months after expiry of the period of grace under section 3 § 72(2) PL	(a) No (b) No (c) No § 67 PL	Publication in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Entry in the patent register §§ 57 PR (cf. § 55 PL) and 45 PR
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes, except for persons having their domicile or seat in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement or Switzerland (b) n/a (c) n/a Art. 236 § 3 IPL	Determined by decision of the PL Patent Office (communication to proprietor of patent) Publication in Wiadomości Urzędu Patentowego (official gazette of the PL Patent Office) Entry in the patent register Art. 90, 92 and 233 IPL

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Portugal Art. 89, 346, 347(1), 349, 350 PA Fees Res. Enquiries re renewal fees and validity: Tel. +351 21 8818100 Fax +351 21 8869859	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 1st 0 11th 367.98 2nd 0 12th 420.54 3rd 0 13th 473.11 4th 0 14th 525.69 5th 52.57 15th 578.24 6th 78.84 16th 578.24 7th 105.14 17th 683.38 8th 157.71 18th 683.38 9th 315.40 19th 735.95 10th 367.98 20th 735.95 Fees Res.	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) Anniversary of date of filing. In the case of validation or conversion, 3 months from the date of the first anniversary following the date of validation or conversion. (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. Art. 349(2), (3) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 349(7) PA Fees Res.

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(a) Yes (b) No information available	(a) Yes (b) Within one year of publication of the notice of lapse by paying a surcharge equal to three times the fee due and without prejudice to third party rights	(a) No (b) No (c) No	Entry in the patent register Publication in the Industrial Property Bulletin
Art. 349(8), (9) PA	Art. 350(1), (2) PA	Art. 10(1), 349(8) PA	Art. 356(1) PA

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 6 months of publication, in the patent bulletin, of the patent's lapse due to non-payment of renewal fees Art. 37 PL	(a) Yes, if proprietor resides outside Romania (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin Communication to proprietor of patent
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 2 months after USBM's communication on expiry of the time limit	(a) and (c) Foreign applicants must appoint a professional representative who has been entered on the list of patent attorneys maintained by the USBM. (b) An address for correspondence in the Republic of San Marino must be given.	Communication to proprietor of patent or to his representative and mention in the bulletin

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Serbia Fees Law	**Year** **RSD** **Year** **RSD** 3rd 10 800 12th 43 240 4th 13 110 13th 49 420 5th 15 440 14th 55 590 6th 18 510 15th 61 760 7th 21 580 16th 67 940 8th 24 680 17th 74 110 9th 27 780 18th 80 280 10th 30 870 19th 86 460 11th 37 070 20th 92 630 50% fee reduction for natural persons. Tar. No. 111(3) Fees Law	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (a patent year starts on the anniversary of the date of filing) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before the due date. Art. 40(5) PL Tar. No. 111(4) Fees Law	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50%
Slovakia § 67 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +421 48 4300131 Fax +421 48 4132563 infocentrum@indprop.gov.sk	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 66.00 12th 265.50 4th 82.50 13th 298.50 5th 99.50 14th 331.50 6th 116.00 15th 365.00 7th 132.50 16th 398.00 8th 149.00 17th 464.50 9th 165.50 18th 531.00 10th 199.00 19th 597.00 11th 232.00 20th 663.50 § 67 PA § 1 + Schedule of Fees (Annex) Act No. 495/2008	(a) The renewal fee for the European patent for each coming year must be paid at the latest by the date on which the current year of validity of the European patent expires. (b) The first fee, due in the year in which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin, must be paid - on or before the anniversary of the date of filing, or - within 2 months of publication in the European Patent Bulletin of the mention of the grant of the European patent, whichever period expires later (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. §§ 6(1), (2), (3), 8(1) Act No. 495/2008	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 100% § 8(4) Act No. 495/2008

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months from the date on which the grounds for the omission ceased to exist or, if the applicant learned about the omission subsequently, from the date on which he found out about the omission; the request is admissible only within 12 months of expiry of the time limit and, if it relates to non-payment of the maintenance fee, at least 12 months from the date of expiry of the additional time limit for payment Art. 73 PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes Art. 5 PL	Yes Art. 41(2) PL
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit; no later than 12 months from expiry of the grace period under section 3 § 10(1) Act No. 495/2008	(a) No (b) n/a (c) n/a § 79 (3) PA	Entry in the patent register Mention in the official journal § 26 RPA

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Slovenia Art. 109 IPA	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 30 12th 200 4th 34 13th 234 5th 42 14th 274 6th 50 15th 310 7th 60 16th 390 8th 70 17th 510 9th 80 18th 654 10th 110 19th 870 11th 154 20th 1 100 Art. 1(1.2) Fees Decr.	(a) For each patent year (a patent year starting on the anniversary of the date of filing) on the last day of the preceding patent year (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 29(2) IPA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 110(1) IPA
Spain Art. 161 NPL Enquiries re renewal fees and validity: Tel. +34 91 3495532	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 18.48 12th 317.98 4th 23.06 13th 365.05 5th 44.11 14th 412.56 6th 65.10 15th 440.59 7th 107.47 16th 458.85 8th 133.78 17th 490.00 9th 167.88 18th 490.00 10th 216.06 19th 490.00 11th 270.82 20th 490.00 Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. Art. 157 and 184 NPL NPL Annex	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) 3 months from due date (c) The day following the due date Art. 157 and 184 NPL	(a) 6 months from expiry of the time limit under section 2(b) (b) 25% if paid within 3 months, 50% if paid within 6 months from expiry of the time limit under section 2(b) (a) and (b) After expiry of the period of grace renewal may still be secured by paying, before the due date for the next renewal fee, the fee with a 50% surcharge and an additional fee of EUR 100. Art. 157 and 184 NPL

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(a) Yes; reminders are sent to the representative or address for correspondence which should be on Slovenian territory. (b) Approx. 1 month after due date Art. 110(2) IPA	(a) Yes; at the time of filing a request for restitutio in integrum the omitted act should be completed and fee (EUR 150 – Art. 1(7.2) Fees Decr.) paid, otherwise the request is deemed to be withdrawn; (b) Within 3 months of removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or of date party becomes aware of non-compliance with the time limit, if this date is later; request is only admissible within one year of the expiry of the time limit. Art. 68 IPA	(a) No (b) No, if the address for correspondence is on Slovenian territory, otherwise yes (c) Yes Art. 129 IPA	Entry in the patent register Mention in the official bulletin (BIL) Decision on lapse of a patent due to non-payment of fees Art. 5(2) IPA
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes, in cases where an applicant or owner has failed to comply with a time limit for an action in a procedure before the Office in spite of due care required by the circumstances, and that failure has the direct consequence of causing a loss of rights (b) The request has to be filed within 2 months of removal of the obstacle, provided that the request is filed within 12 months from the date of expiry of the applicable time limit to pay with surcharge. Art. 53 NPL	(a) No, if proprietor resides in a country of the EU (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial Art. 72 RD 316

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Sweden § 86 PA Enquiries re renewal fees: The Cashier's Office Tel. +46 8 7822522 Fax +46 8 6660286	**Year** **SEK** **Year** **SEK** 11th 3 400 12th 3 800 3rd 1 400 13th 4 200 4th 1 500 14th 4 600 5th 1 700 15th 5 000 6th 1 900 16th 5 400 7th 2 100 17th 5 800 8th 2 400 18th 6 200 9th 2 700 19th 6 600 10th 3 000 20th 7 000 § 46 PD and Annex B	(a) Payment must have been made before expiry of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date. § 41 PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20% § 41 PA § 46 PD Annex B
Switzerland / Liechtenstein Art. 41 PA Art. 18, 118a PO Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +41 31 3777777 Fax +41 31 3777778 (patent register: *www.swissreg.ch*)	**Year** **CHF** **Year** **CHF** 4th 100 13th 550 5th 150 14th 600 6th 200 15th 650 7th 250 16th 700 8th 300 17th 750 9th 350 18th 800 10th 400 19th 850 11th 450 20th 900 12th 500 Fees Reg. (Annex III)	(a) Last day of month in which the date of filing occurred (b) 3 months from due date (c) Payment may not be made more than 2 months before due date. Art. 18(2), (3), 18c(d) PO	(a) 3 months after expiry of time limit under section 2(b) (b) CHF 50 Art. 18(3) PO Fees Reg. (Annex III)

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(a) Yes, but not mandatory (b) Approx. 1 month after due date	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle, no later than 12 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	(a) No (b) No (c) No	Publication in the patent bulletin Entry in the patent register
	§ 72 PA	§ 72 PA	§ 51 PA § 42 PD
(a) Yes, but reminders are not sent abroad. (b) 8 weeks before expiry of period of grace; requests are not sent abroad.	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than one year from expiry of the non-observed time limit **Further processing** possible	(a) No (b) and (c) No, but an address for service in Switzerland/Liechtenstein must be given.	Communication to proprietor of patent Entry in the patent register Published in official publication medium *www.swissreg.ch*
Art. 18d PO	Art. 46a, 47 PA	Art. 13 PA Art. 18d PO	Art. 15 PA Art. 18b, 94, 117 PO

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Turkey Art. 134, 173 DL No. 551 Art. 101, 107 IPL Art. 106, 115 IPLR R. 48 IR R. 18 RegEPC Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +90 312 3031000 Fax +90 312 3031220 *www.turkpatent.gov.tr*	**Year** — **TRY**** 2nd — 385 (255) 3rd — 400 (265) 4th — 475 (315) 5th — 720 (480) 6th — 830 (550) 7th — 935 (620) 8th — 1 040 (690) 9th — 1 145 (760) 10th — 1 250 (830) 11th — 1 430 (950) 12th — 1 660 (1 105) 13th — 1 925 (1 280) 14th — 2 190 (1 460) 15th — 2 525 (1 685) 16th — 2 765 (1 845) 17th — 3 080 (2 050) 18th — 3 295 (2 190) 19th — 3 485 (2 320) 20th — 3 625 (2 415) Fees 2018	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision: payment may be made for more than one patent year. However, if the fees are subsequently changed, the patent proprietor will be obliged to pay the difference between the amount paid in advance and the amount due for the year concerned. Art. 173 DL No. 551 Art. 101 IPL Art. 106 IPLR R. 48 IR	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25% Art. 173 DL No. 551 Art. 101 IPL Art. 106 IPLR R. 48 IR

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** Note: Reduced fees for online transactions are indicated in brackets.
All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 6 months of publication of the notice of lapse	(a) Yes (b) n/a (c) Yes	Communication to representative Publication in the Resmi Patent Bülteni Entry in the patent register
	Art. 134 DL No. 551 Art. 101, 107 IPL Art. 106, 115 IPLR	R. 18 RegEPC R. 47 IR	Art. 134 DL No. 551 Art. 101, 107 IPL Art. 106, 115 IPLR

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United Kingdom Sect. 25, 77 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and validity: Tel. +44 1633 814433	**Year** **GBP** **Year** **GBP** 5th 70 13th 260 6th 90 14th 300 7th 110 15th 360 8th 130 16th 420 9th 150 17th 470 10th 170 18th 520 11th 190 19th 570 12th 220 20th 610 R. 37, 38 PR Schedule 2 PFR	(a) Last day of the month containing the anniversary of the date of filing Where the date of publication in the European Patent Bulletin of the mention of grant of the patent occurs less than 3 months before an anniversary of the date of filing, the first renewal fee due on the patent following mention of grant may be paid up to the last day of the third whole calendar month after the date of publication in the Bulletin without any additional fee being charged. (b) Up to the end of the last day of the second month from the due date Renewal fees which – in the case of revocation of a European patent as a result of a decision reviewed by the Enlarged Board of Appeal – would have been due after the revocation may be paid within a period of two months following the restoration of the patent. (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before due date (Form 12). Sect. 25, 77(5A) PA R. 37, 38, 41A PR	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 1st month: 0 (Nil) 2nd month: GBP 24 3rd month: GBP 48 4th month: GBP 72 5th month: GBP 96 6th month: GBP 120 Sec. 25(4) PA R. 36(4) PR Schedule 2 PFR

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(a) Yes (reminders are sent to addresses outside the UK) (b) Within 6 weeks of the due date	(a) Yes (b) Within 13 months of the end of the 6-month period specified for late payment	(a) and (b) No (c) No, but an address for service in the EEA or Channel Islands should be given.	Communication to applicant (notice of cessation) Entry in the patent register Publication in the Patents Journal
Sect. 25(5) PA R. 39 PR	Sect. 28 PA R. 40 PR	R. 103 PR (see also R. 49 PR)	Sect. 32(2), 123(6) PA R. 41 PR

Validation state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.		
Morocco Art. 50.5, 82 Law No. 17-97	**Year / MAD / Year / MAD** 1st / / 11th / 7 200 2nd / 1 200 / 12th / 7 200 3rd / 1 200 / 13th / 7 200 4th / 1 200 / 14th / 7 200 5th / 1 200 / 15th / 7 200 6th / 1 920 / 16th / 10 000 7th / 2 400 / 17th / 12 000 8th / 2 880 / 18th / 12 000 9th / 3 360 / 19th / 12 000 10th / 4 800 / 20th / 12 000 A reduction is available for certain proprietor categories. Dec. No. 9/2017	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 82 Law No. 17-97	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25% per month late started, and no less than MAD 240 Art. 82 Law No. 17-97 Dec. No. 9/2017
Republic of Moldova	**Year / EUR / Year / EUR** 1st / 100 / 11th / 500 2nd / 100 / 12th / 500 3rd / 100 / 13th / 500 4th / 100 / 14th / 500 5th / 100 / 15th / 500 6th / 300 / 16th / 700 7th / 300 / 17th / 700 8th / 300 / 18th / 700 9th / 300 / 19th / 700 10th / 300 / 20th / 700 Gov. Dec. No. 774	(a) Anniversary of filing date (b) n/a (c) No restriction Art. 93(4), 93(4^1) Law No. 50/2008	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 61(3) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.		

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) Yes (b) Within 2 months after the due date If no reminder is sent, OMPIC is not liable, nor can this be a ground for restoring the proprietor's rights. Art. 82 Law No. 17-97	(a) Yes (b) The proprietor has a choice of two: (i) 3 months as from date of notification of decision that patent has lapsed, or (ii) 2 months after removal of obstacle, but no later than one year from expiry of 6-month period following due date of renewal fee in question. Art. 84, 14.4 Law No. 17-97	(a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Yes Applicants with neither a residence nor a place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative authorised to act before OMPIC. Art. 4 Law No. 17-97	Entry in the patent register Art. 83, 84 Law No. 17-97
(a) Yes (b) Within 6 months of the due date Art. 61(3) Law No. 50/2008	(a) Yes (b) 2 months after removal of obstacle, but no later than one year after expiry of 6-month period from due date of renewal fee in question Art. 92(2) Law No. 50/2008	(a) No (b) Yes (c) Yes Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008	Entry in the National Register of Patents and publication in the Official Bulletin Art. 68(3), 60(5) Law No. 50/2008

Extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Bosnia and Herzegovina Art. 56, 92 PL	**Year** **BAM** **Year** **BAM** 3rd 90 12th 720 4th 110 13th 940 5th 130 14th 1 060 6th 190 15th 1 180 7th 250 16th 1 400 8th 310 17th 1 620 9th 370 18th 1 840 10th 480 19th 2 060 11th 600 20th 2 280	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) Payment may be made within the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50%
Montenegro LAdmFees	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 40 12th 200 4th 50 13th 225 5th 60 14th 250 6th 70 15th 275 7th 80 16th 300 8th 100 17th 325 9th 125 18th 350 10th 150 19th 375 11th 175 20th 400	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (a patent year starts on the anniversary of the date of filing) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before the due date.	(a) 6 months from due payment date (b) 50% Art. 81 PL Art. 129 LAdminFees

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) Yes (b) Approximately 1 month after due date	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months of the removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or of date party becomes aware of non-compliance with the time limit, if this date is later; request is only admissible within 1 year of the expiry of the time limit Art. 50(2)(3) PL	(a) No (b) Yes (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette Art. 45(1), 56 and 57 PL
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months of the date on which the grounds for non-observance of the time limit ceased to exist or, if the applicant learned of the non-observance after that date, of the date on which he learned of it, but no later than 12 months after the non-observed time limit. Art. 85 PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes Art. 29 Rules	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin Art. 3 Rules

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.) Art. 86 PL Art. 40, 41, 86 Fees Decr.	**Year** **ALL** **Year** **ALL** 1st 0 11th 27 000 2nd 5 000 12th 30 000 3rd 6 000 13th 35 000 4th 8 000 14th 40 000 5th 10 000 15th 45 000 6th 12 000 16th 50 000 7th 14 000 17th 55 000 8th 18 000 18th 60 000 9th 20 000 19th 65 000 10th 25 000 20th 70 000 Fees Decr.	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 41(2) PL	(a) (i) 6 months from due date (ii) 8 months from due date (b) (i) 50% (ii) 100% Art. 41(3) PL Chapter 16 (2.1) PR Fees Decr.
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.) Art. 74 PA	**Year** **HRK** **Year** **HRK** 3rd 320 12th 1 800 4th 360 13th 2 000 5th 420 14th 2 100 6th 500 15th 2 300 7th 620 16th 2 900 8th 740 17th 3 500 9th 920 18th 4 600 10th 1 200 19th 5 800 11th 1 700 20th 6 900 Art. 13 RCh	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision: payment may be made for more than one patent year. However, if the fees are subsequently changed, the patent proprietor will be obliged to pay the difference between the amount paid in advance and the amount due for the year concerned. Art. 107(1) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 100% Art. 74(3) PA

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4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) Yes (i) to the licensee if the patent proprietor fails to pay the relevant fee in time and a licence in favour of a third party is entered in the patent register (ii) to the owner or his representative. Notifications are sent only to the addresses that the owners of the patents or their representatives have in the territory of the Republic of Albania. (b) (i) Approx. 8 weeks before expiry of the grace period (ii) Within 2 months from the due date Art. 41(3), 46(5) PL	(a) Yes (b) Not later than 6 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3 Art. 35 PL	(a) and (c) Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP (b) n/a Art. 35 PL	Publication in the Patent Bulletin Entry in the patent register Part XIV (3.3) PR
(a) Yes (b) Approx. 1 month after due date Art. 74(4) PA	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months of the removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or of date party becomes aware of non-compliance with the time limit, if this date is later; request is only admissible within 1 year of the expiry of the time limit Art. 57 PA	(a) No (b) Yes (c) Yes Art. 4 PA	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette Art. 26, 32(3) PO

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.) Art. 67 PL	**Year** **MKD** **Year** **MKD** 3rd 800 12th 5 000 4th 1 000 13th 6 000 5th 1 200 14th 7 000 6th 1 400 15th 8 000 7th 1 600 16th 9 000 8th 1 800 17th 10 000 9th 2 000 18th 11 000 10th 3 000 19th 12 000 11th 4 000 20th 13 000 Tariff No. 109 Fees Law	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) 2 months from due date (c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date.	(a)(i) 3 months from due date (ii) 9 months from due date (b)(i) 25% (ii) 100%
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.) Art. 43 PL Fees Reg.	**Year** **EUR** 3rd 90 4th 120 5th 140 6th 160 7th 180 8th 220 9th 270 10th-15th 320 16th-20th 420 Fees Reg.	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred (b) n/a (c) No information available.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25 % Art. 43(2) PL Fees Reg.

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4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) No (b) n/a Art. 105 Law on GAP	(a) Yes (b) Not later than 3 months from expiry of the non-observed time limit	(a) Yes (b) n/a (c) Yes Art. 16 PL	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official gazette Art. 39 Reg.
(a) Yes (b) Not later than 2 weeks after due date	(a) Yes (b) Not later than 6 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	(a) Yes (b) Yes (c) Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official bulletin

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.) Fees Law Appendix I	**Year** **EUR** 3rd 81 4th 92 5th 115 6th 139 7th 162 8th 185 9th 208 10th 231 11th-15th 289 16th-20th 347 Fees Law Appendix I	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (the patent years starting on the anniversary of the date of filing) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 2 months before due date. Fees Law Art. 36(4) PL	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 36(5) PL

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4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) Yes (b) after the due date	(a) Yes (request fee: EUR 173) (b) Within two months of removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or within 12 months of expiry of the non-observed time limit or, in cases of non-compliance with the time limit for payment of renewal fees, within 12 months of expiry of the grace period prescribed in Article 5*bis* of the Paris Convention, whichever period ends earlier.	(a) and (c) Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. (b) n/a	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official bulletin Online at *http://vpb.lrv.lt*
Art. 36(5) PL	Art. 33 PL Art. 12 PLT		Art. 29 PL R. 42 Reg.

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.) Fees Ord. Art. IX of the Annex to the Government Ordinance No. 32/1996	**Year** / **EUR** / **Until 31.12.2018: RON** / **From 01.01.2019: RON** 3rd 150 690 700 4th 160 736 746 5th 180 828 839 6th 200 920 933 7th 220 1 012 1 026 8th 240 1 104 1 119 9th 260 1 196 1 213 10th 280 1 288 1 306 11th 300 1 380 1 399 12th 320 1 472 1 492 13th 340 1 564 1 586 14th 370 1 702 1 726 15th 400 1 840 1 865 16th 500 2 300 2 332 17th 500 2 300 2 332 18th 500 2 300 2 332 19th 500 2 300 2 332 20th 500 2 300 2 332 Pursuant to the Fees Ordinance renewal fees are payable in EUR or in RON. Annex 1.23 Fees Ord.	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) Renewal fees falling due within 3 months of the grant of the patent may be paid without surcharge within this 3-month period. (c) Payment may not be made more than 4 years before the due date.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Fees Ord.

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 6 months of publication, in the patent bulletin, of the patent's lapse due to non-payment of renewal fees Art. 37 PL	(a) Yes, if proprietor resides outside Romania (b) n/a (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Publication in the patent bulletin Communication to proprietor of patent

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)	2 (a) Due date (in the patent year concerned) (b) Time limit for payment (without surcharge)* (c) Earliest possible date for payment	3 Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.) Fees Law	**Year** **RSD** **Year** **RSD** 3rd 10 800 12th 43 240 4th 13 110 13th 49 420 5th 15 440 14th 55 590 6th 18 510 15th 61 760 7th 21 580 16th 67 940 8th 24 680 17th 74 110 9th 27 780 18th 80 280 10th 30 870 19th 86 460 11th 37 070 20th 92 630 50% fee reduction for natural persons.	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (a patent year starts on the anniversary of the date of filing) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before the due date. Tar. No. 111(3) Fees Law	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 40(5) PL Tar. No. 111(4) Fees Law
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.) Fees Decr.	**Year** **EUR** **Year** **EUR** 3rd 30 12th 200 4th 34 13th 234 5th 42 14th 274 6th 50 15th 310 7th 60 16th 390 8th 70 17th 510 9th 80 18th 654 10th 110 19th 870 11th 154 20th 1 100 Art. 1(1.2) Fees Decr.	(a) For each patent year (a patent year starting on the anniversary of the date of filing) on the last day of the preceding patent year (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 109 IPA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50% Art. 109, 110 IPA

* For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

4 **Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment** **(a) provided for?** **(b) date of despatch**	5 **Restitutio in integrum** **(a) provided for?** **(b) time limit for submitting application**	6 **Appointment of a national professional representative for** **(a) payment of fees** **(b) communication of a reminder of non-payment** **(c) proceedings in respect of restitutio in integrum**	7 **Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees**
(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes (b) Within 3 months from the date on which the grounds for the omission ceased to exist or, if the applicant learned about the omission subsequently, from the date on which he found out about the omission; the request is admissible only within 12 months of expiry of the time limit and, if it relates to non-payment of the maintenance fee, at least 12 months from the date of expiry of the additional time limit for payment Art. 73 PL	(a) No (b) n/a (c) Yes Art. 5 PL	Yes Art. 41(2) PL
(a) Yes; reminders are sent to the representative or address for correspondence which should be on Slovenian territory (b) Approx. 1 month after due date	(a) Yes; at the time of filing a request for restitutio in integrum the omitted act should be completed and fee (EUR 150 – Art. 1(7.2) Fees Decr.) paid, otherwise the request is deemed to be withdrawn; (b) Within 3 months of removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or of date party becomes aware of non-compliance with the time limit, if this date is later; request is only admissible within 1 year of the expiry of the time limit. Art. 68 IPA	(a) No (b) No, if the address for correspondence is on Slovenian territory, otherwise yes. (c) Yes Ext. Decr.	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official bulletin (BIL) Decision on lapse of a patent due to non-payment of fees Art. 5(2) IPA

Contracting state	1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and re-opening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	3 Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Albania No specific provision.				
Austria No specific provision. Proprietor would be given an opportunity to keep the patent by paying renewal fees retroactively within one month.				
Belgium No specific provision.				
Bulgaria	1 month Article 301 Administrative Procedure Code	From date on which the proprietor is notified of the Enlarged Board's decision	n/a	-
Croatia No specific provisions, but amendment of the PA is envisaged.				
Cyprus No specific provision.				
Czech Republic	No specific provision, but any renewal fees due could be paid within a grace period of 6 months	From date of communication of the Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings	No surcharge	No
Denmark No specific provision.				
Estonia No specific provision.				

Contracting state	1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and re-opening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	3 Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Finland No specific provisions, but the Finnish Patent Office would send the patent proprietor an invitation to pay any renewal fee which would have fallen due.	-	2 months from date of invitation	No surcharge	-
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia No specific provision.				
France Legal basis: no specific provision.	Based on INPI's power under Art. R. 618-4 PL to grant 2 to 4 months to complete formalities	From date of entry of Enlarged Board's decision in European Patent Register	No	-
Germany	2 months Art. II § 7(2) LIPC § 7(1) LPF	From date of notification of the Enlarged Board's decision to set aside board's decision Art. II § 7(2) LIPC	(a) Until end of 6th month after the due date (b) EUR 50 Art. II § 7(2) LIPC § 7(1) 2nd sentence LPF Fee Schedule LPF	
Greece	3 months Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	From publication in the European Patent Bulletin of the decision setting aside the patent revocation to the last day of the 3-month period. Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Surcharge 50% Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 2(10)(g), 24 Law No. 1733/87	The fees are paid according to the current list of fees Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/1988 Art. 2(10)(g), 24 Law No. 1733/87
Hungary	6 months Art. 84/L(3) PA	From date of communication of the Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings Art. 84/L(3) PA	(a) 6 months from due date (b) First 3 months without surcharge; 4th, 5th and 6th months: 50% Art. 23, 115/M PA	-
Iceland No information available.				

Contracting state	1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and re-opening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	3 Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Ireland	6 months No express legal provision in PA or PR but, once the Irish Office has been informed of the Enlarged Board's decision to set aside the revocation of a European patent and re-open the appeal proceedings, the practice is to allow the patent proprietor a period of up to 6 months to pay all renewal fees that would have fallen due in the intervening period.	From date of Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings No provision – Office practice	No surcharge Office practice	-
Italy No specific provision.				
Latvia No information available.				
Liechtenstein see Switzerland				
Lithuania	6 months	Notification of the decision to re-open the proceedings before the boards of appeals	(a) 6 months (b) 50%	-
Luxembourg Currently no specific provisions, but a law amending PL to introduce new provisions is under discussion.				
Malta No specific provision.				
Monaco Currently no specific provision.				
Netherlands Currently no provision. An amendment of the PA is envisaged				

Contracting state	1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and re-opening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	3 Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Norway Currently no provision. An amendment of the PL is envisaged.				
Poland	No provision. Recommended practice: precautionary payment of renewal fees while petition for review is pending (with refund if it is unsuccessful).	n/a	n/a	-
Portugal No specific provision.				
Romania No information available.				
San Marino No specific provision.				
Serbia No specific provision.				
Slovakia No specific provision.				
Slovenia No specific provision.				
Spain	3 months Art. 157 and 184 NPL	From publication of the Enlarged Board's decision in the Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial Law 39/2015, Common Administrative Procedure Act	(a) 6 months from expiry of the time limit in Table VI.A, section 2(b) (b) 25% if paid within 3 months, 50% if paid within 6 months of due date (a) and (b) After expiry of the period of grace renewal may still be secured by paying, before the due date for the next renewal fee, the fee with a 50% surcharge and an additional fee of EUR 100 Art. 157 and 184 NPL	

Contracting state	1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and re-opening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	3 Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Sweden Currently no specific provisions.				
Switzerland / Liechtenstein No specific provisions, but proprietor may pay renewal fees retroactively within 6 months of the date of notification of the Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings	3 months (without surcharge) Analogous application of Art. 41 PA Art. 18, 118a PO	From date of notification of the Enlarged Board's decision Analogous application of Art. 41 PA Art. 18, 118a PO	(a) From end of 3rd month to end of 6th month after the due date (b) CHF 50 Analogous application of Art. 41 PA and Art. 18, 118a PO	-
Turkey No information available.				
United Kingdom	2 months Sect. 77(5A) PA R. 39 and 41A PR	From the day the patent is restored by the Enlarged Board of Appeal Sect. 77(5A) PA R. 39 and 41A PR	(a) From the 2nd to the 6th month after the original 2-month period has expired (b) Surcharges are the same as set out in Table VI.A, section 3 Sect. 25(4) PA R. 36(4) PR	-

VII. Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national patent applications

1. Basis for conversion

Under Article 135(1) EPC, the central industrial property office of a designated contracting state may apply the procedure for the grant of a national patent at the request of the applicant for or proprietor of a European patent, in the following circumstances:

(a) where the application is deemed to be withdrawn pursuant to Article 77(3) EPC (delay by national authorities in forwarding the European application);

(b) in such other cases as are provided for by the national law in which the European patent application is refused or withdrawn or deemed to be withdrawn, or the European patent is revoked under the EPC.

2. Time limit for filing the request for conversion

The request for conversion must be filed within three months after the date on which

(a) the European patent application has been withdrawn or

(b) a communication has been notified that the application is deemed to be withdrawn, or

(c) a decision has been notified refusing the application or revoking the European patent.

The equivalence of the European patent to a regular national filing lapses if the request is not filed in due time (Rule 155(1), second sentence, EPC).

3. Submission of the request for conversion

(a) Unless the European patent application is deemed to be withdrawn pursuant to Article 77(3) EPC, the request for conversion must be filed with the European Patent Office. It is not deemed to be filed until the conversion fee has been paid to the Office (Article 135(3), second sentence, EPC).

(b) If the applicant has been notified that the European patent application is deemed to be withdrawn pursuant to Article 77(3) EPC, the request must be filed with the central industrial property office with which the application was filed (Article 135(2) EPC).

4. Transmission of the request

(a) The requests for conversion which must be filed with the European Patent Office (cf. 3(a) above) are transmitted by the Office to the central industrial property offices of the contracting states specified therein, accompanied by a copy of the files relating to the European patent application or the European patent (Article 135(3), Rule 155(2) EPC).

(b) Where the request for conversion has to be filed with a national patent office (cf. 3(b) above), that Office, subject to the provisions of national security, transmits the request, together with a copy of the European patent application, directly to the central industrial property offices of the contracting states specified by the applicant in the request. The effect referred to in Article 66 EPC (i.e. equivalence of the European patent application to a regular national filing in the contracting states designated) lapses if the request for conversion is not transmitted within twenty months after the date of filing or date of priority (Rule 155(3) EPC).

5. Explanatory notes concerning the table

The table below indicates the basis for conversion under the national law of all the contracting states to the EPC and contains useful information regarding the formal requirements of the competent national authorities, the time limits involved and regulations concerning representation or addresses for service if the applicant or his representative before the EPO has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in the contracting states in question.

All European patent applications transmitted pursuant to Article 135(2) or 135(3) EPC are governed by Article 137(1) EPC, which lays down that these applications may not be subjected to formal requirements of national law which are different from or additional to those provided for in the EPC.

The translation referred to in the table should be understood to mean a translation of the original text of the European patent application and, where appropriate, of the text, as amended during proceedings before the EPO, which the applicant wishes to submit to the national procedure (Article 137(2) (b) EPC).

The table also lists the provisions of the extension and validation states' national laws under which European patent applications and patents can be converted to national patent applications.

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Albania	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) and Art. 90(3) EPC for failure to supply a translation of the application in the language of the proceedings Art. 87/ë(1) PL	(a) Payment of national filing fee (ALL 7 000) (b) Filing of an Albanian translation Art. 87/ë(7) PL	2 months after the notification of a request by the GDIP Art. 87/ë(7) PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP. Art. 195(2) PL	-
Austria	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC § 9(1) ILPT	(a) Payment of the fee for conversion into a national patent application or utility model application: EUR 52 (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a German translation § 9(2), 24 ILPT § 10 LPOF	2 months after a request by the Austrian Patent Office (may be extended on request) § 9(2) ILPT	All procedural steps connected with the conversion must be taken by an attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Austria. However, if the residence or place of business is in the EEA, a person authorised to accept service who is a resident of Austria may be appointed instead. (The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain cases.) § 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	In the case indicated in section 1, the EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model. § 9(1) ILPT As regards the legal device known as derivation (Abzweigung) of an application for a utility model from an EP application, see §§ 15a, 21 GMG

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Belgium	Deemed withdrawal of the European patent application pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 6 Law of 21.4.07* Art. 8 Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.87 ELC***	(a) Payment of national filing fee (EUR 50) (b) Filing of a translation of the European patent application, including the abstract and any drawings, into one of the national languages if not drafted in any of those languages (see also section 5) (c) Payment of any renewal fees due on the date of payment of the filing fee (see also table VIII, section 3) Art. 6 Law of 21.4.07* Art. 9 RD of 5.12.07* Art. 8 Law of 8.7.77** Art. 10 RD of 27.2.81** Art. 10 RD of 12.5.15***	The filing fee must be paid and any translation of the application supplied within three months of receipt by OPRI of the request for conversion. Renewal fees must be paid within the period prescribed in Art. XI.48(1) ELC. Art. 6 Law of 21.4.07* Art. 8 Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.87 ELC*** Art. 10(3) RD of 12.5.15***	See table III.B, section 1 Art. XI.62 ELC	The translation referred to in section 2(b) must be filed in one of the national languages prescribed in the Royal Decree of 18.7.66 on the co-ordination of laws concerning the use of languages for administrative purposes (see OJ EPO 1999, 320). Where a translation is not required: filing in duplicate, in accordance with the provisions applying to Belgian patents, of a copy of the EP application including the abstract, and, as the case may be, of the drawings accompanying the description and, if any, the abstract. If an OPRI deadline is not met, the procedure for re-establishing rights under Art. XI.77 ELC is applicable. Art. 9 (2) RD of 5.12.07* Art. 10(2) RD of 27.2.81** Art. 10(2) RD of 12.5.15***
Bulgaria	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC for failure to supply a translation of the application in the language of the proceedings Art. 72f(1) PL	(a) Payment of national fees for filing, examination, patent claims, priority claims and for publication of the mention of the application (b) Filing in triplicate of a Bulgarian translation of the European patent application as originally filed and, where appropriate, a translation of the application as amended during the proceedings before the EPO Art. 72f(3), 35(2) PL	3 months following the date of transmission of the request for conversion to the Bulgarian Patent Office Art. 72f(3) PL	Applicants with no permanent address or principal place of business in Bulgaria are required to act in proceedings before the Bulgarian Patent Office through local industrial property representatives. Art. 3(2) PL	In the case indicated in section 1, the EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model registration. Art. 72f(1) PL
Croatia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) and Art. 90(3) EPC for failure to supply a translation of the application in the language of the proceedings Art. 108.i(1) PA	(a) Payment of the filing fee and the fee for conversion (b) Filing of a Croatian translation	2 months from filing the request for conversion	Yes	-

* European patent applications filed between 13 December 2007 and 21 September 2014.

** European patent applications filed before 13 December 2007.

*** European patent applications filed after 22 September 2014.

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Cyprus	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time Sect. 70(1) PL	(a) Payment of the filing fee (EUR 100) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a translation in Greek Sect. 70(4) PL R. 59(2) PFR	(a) 3 months after notification of a request by the CY Patent Office (b) 4 months from filing of the request for conversion R. 59(1) PFR	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by a professional representative in Cyprus if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Cyprus. Sect. 70(5) PL	The request for conversion is recorded in Record Book Volume A National Applications. R. 59 PFR
Czech Republic	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC § 35b(1) PA	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (CZK 1 200; CZK 600 if applicant is inventor) (b) Filing, in triplicate, of a Czech translation (c) Appointment of a professional representative §§ 35b(2), (3), 70 PA	(a) and (b) within 3 months of notification of the invitation by CZ Industrial Property Office to submit the Czech translation and to pay the filing fee (c) see section 4 §§ 35b(2), 70 PA	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by a national professional representative – see table III.B, section 1. § 70 PA	In the case indicated in section 1, the European patent application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model. § 35b(4) PA § 10a of Law No. 478/1992 Coll., on utility models, as amended by Law No. 116/2000 Coll.
Denmark	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC § 88 PA	(a) Payment of the filing fee (DKK 3 000 + DKK 300 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) (b) Filing of a Danish or English translation §§ 88, 98(2) PA § 95 PO	Within 3 months of the DKPTO's notifying the applicant of receipt of the request for conversion § 88 PA § 95(2) PO	No § 12 PA	In the case indicated in section 1, the EP application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model. § 36 Utility Models Act

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Estonia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC or Art. 90(3) EPC § 11(1) IA	(a) Filing of an Estonian translation accompanied by a request for conversion (b) Payment of national filing fee (EUR 225 + EUR 13 for the 11th and each subsequent claim for patent application) § 11(5), (6) IA §§ 89(3) to (5), 99 FA §§ 31 to 34 REP	Within 3 months of notification by the Estonian Patent Office of receipt of documents § 11(5) and (6) IA	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by the applicant itself or authorised Estonian patent attorney whose name is entered in the State Register of Patent Attorneys as specialising in the legal protection of inventions and layout designs of integrated circuits. All subsequent procedural steps must be taken by an authorised Estonian patent attorney if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Estonia. § 15 IA § 13[1] PA § 31(1) REP	In the cases indicated in section 1 and in all cases referred to in Art. 135(1)(b) EPC, the European patent application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model, subject to payment of the national filing fee (EUR 105), except where under Estonian law the invention may not be protected as a utility model. § 11(1) to (3) IA § 99 FA The following information must be given in the request for conversion: - European application or patent number - European application date - the title of the invention - the applicant's or patentee's name and address - kind of protection (patent and/or utility model) - the representative's name and address for service, if applicable. § 31(3) REP The 3-month period for filing the translation may, at the request of the applicant, be extended by 2 months. § 11(5) IA
Finland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time § 70s PA	(a) Request for conversion (b) Payment of the filing fee EUR 500 + EUR 50 for the 16th and each subsequent claim (EUR 400 + EUR 50 for the 16th and each subsequent claim if filed online) (c) Filing of a Finnish, Swedish or English translation. §§ 8, 70s PA	Within 3 months of the PRH notifying the applicant of receipt of the request for conversion § 70s PA § 52s PD	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his representative before the EPO. All subsequent procedural steps must be taken by an authorised representative residing in the EEA, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Finland. § 12 PA	A pending EP application may be converted into a national application for a utility model. §§ 8, 8a Utility Models Act §§ 5, 5a Utility Models Decree

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Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) and Art. 90(3) EPC for failure to supply a translation of the application in the language of the proceedings Art. 125(2) PL	(a) Payment of the filing fee and the fee for conversion (b) Filing of a Macedonian translation	2 months from filing the request for conversion	Yes	-
France	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. L. 614-6 PL	(a) Payment of - national filing fee (for paper filings EUR 36/ for electronic filings EUR 26) - the fee for a search report (EUR 520), (b) Filing of a French translation Art. R. 614-5 and R. 614-17 Reg. Ord. of 19.9.79 and Fees Ord. of 24.4.08	2 months after publication in BOPI of a notice regarding the conversion. Where patent applications may not be published: 2 months from the receipt by INPI of the request for conversion except the fee for a search report which is due within 6 months of the end of the prohibition measures. Art. R. 614-5, R. 612-31, para 2 Reg.	Not required for procedural steps in section 2; an authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. All subsequent procedural steps must be taken by an authorised national representative, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in France. Art. R. 612-2 Reg.	Subject to national security legislation, INPI publishes in BOPI a notice regarding the conversion within one month of receiving the request for conversion. INPI charges a fee of EUR 26 + EUR 0.75 per page and copy for producing copies of the EP application and transmitting them to the designated States; see Art. R. 614-15 Reg. re payment of renewal fees. Art. R. 614-5, R. 614-19 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 Regarding provisions applicable to utility certificates, see Art. L. 611-2 PL
Germany	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. II § 9(1) LIPC	(a) Payment of national filing fee (b) Filing of a German translation of the patent application (c) Filing of the designation of the inventor, if not indicated in the European application Art. II § 9(1), (2) LIPC § 3(1) LPF Fees Schedule LPF § 37 PA	(a) 3 months from filing of the request for conversion (b) 3 months after notification of a request by the DPMA § 6(1) LPF Art. II § 9(2) LIPC	Not required for procedural steps referred to in section 2; an authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. A domestic representative must be appointed to handle the rest of the procedure. § 25 PA	As regards the legal device known as derivation (Abzweigung) of an application for a utility model from an EP application, see OJ EPO 1987, 175.

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Greece	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time (2 months from the filing date) Art. 23(10)(f) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 20 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	(a) Payment of the filing fee (EUR 50) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Greek translation of the patent application Art. 21(1), (2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 10.2.2012	(a) Proof of payment must be submitted together with the request for conversion within 3 months of the date on which the EPO has notified the applicant that the application is deemed to be withdrawn. (b) 4 months after receipt by OBI of the request for conversion Art. 21(1), (2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by the applicant or by a Greek legal practitioner. Art. 19 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	The request for conversion is entered in the Register Book, Volume A "National applications". Art. 21(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 In the cases indicated in section 1, the EP patent application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model. Art. 21 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 19(6) Law No. 1733/87
Hungary	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2), 77(3) or Art. 78(2) EPC Art. 84/F(1), (3) PA	(a) Payment of the filing and the search fee: HUF 37 400 plus an additional fee per ten claims in excess of the 10th (11th to 20th claim: HUF 1 900; 21st to 30th claim: HUF 3 800; from 31st claim onwards: HUF 5 600) (b) Filing of a Hungarian translation Art. 3(1) FeeDecr Art. 84/F(2) and (3) PA	(a) 2 months after filing the request for conversion or, if the request is not filed with the HIPO, after receipt of the request (b) 4 months after filing the request for conversion or, if the request is not filed with the HIPO, after receipt of the request Art. 84/F(2) and (3) PA	Unless an international treaty provides otherwise, foreign applicants whose permanent residence or seat is not in the territory of the EEA must appoint a professional representative who is entitled to act before the HIPO. This professional representative does not have to be a national professional representative but must be domiciled in the EEA. Art. 51(1), (4) PA	-
Iceland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 88 PA	(a) Payment of the filing fee (ISK 64 400 plus ISK 4 100 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) (b) Filing of the patent application in Icelandic, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish or English. Patent claims, abstract and text of the picture must be available in Icelandic translation before the application is made accessible to the public. Art. 88 PA Art. 59 and 5 PR	Within 3 months of the Icelandic Patent Office's notifying the applicant of receipt of the request for conversion Art. 59(3) PR	An applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have an agent residing in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement, Switzerland or the Faroe Islands, who can represent the applicant in all matters concerning the application. Art. 12 PA	-

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Ireland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Sect. 122(1) PA R. 86 PR	(a) Request for conversion (b) Payment of the conversion fee (EUR 30) and of the filing fee (EUR 125) (c) Filing, in duplicate, of an English translation of the patent application and any amendments previously made (d) Designation of the inventor or indication of the applicant's right to be granted the patent Sect. 17(2), 122(2) PA R. 86(1) PR Schedule I Fees Rules	2 months from receipt by the Controller of the request for conversion or, where the EP application was not filed at the IPO, within 2 months of date of notification by the Controller to the applicant of receipt of a request from the Central Industrial Property Office of another Contracting State where the EP application was filed Sect. 122 PA R. 86 PR	Yes, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in the European Community R. 93(1) PR SI No.141 of 2006	-
Italy	(1) Conversion into a patent application for an industrial invention: deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC (2) Conversion into a utility model: (a) deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC, if filed in Italian, (b) deemed withdrawal for any other reason, refusal or revocation of the patent Art. 58 PL	(a) When the conversion request is received from the EPO the applicant is invited by the UIBM to file a national application with a special annotation (b) Filing of an Italian translation of the abstract, the description, the claims and of the priority document, if any (c) Payment of national filing fee (for electronic filings: EUR 50 / for paper filings: EUR 120 to EUR 600 depending on length of application) Art. 58 PL	(a) and (b): In response to a request by the UIBM giving at least 2 months for compliance Art. 58 PL	Not required for procedural steps referred to in section 2; an authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. However, an address for service in the EEA must be given.	The UIBM first requires the applicant to give an address for service; only then does it despatch the request referred to in section 3. The granting of a utility model may be applied for at the same time as conversion of the EP application. EP applications refused by the EPO, withdrawn or deemed to be withdrawn may be converted into an application for registration of a utility model. The same applies to European patents revoked for Italy. Art. 58 PL
Latvia	Deemed withdrawn pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC or Art. 90(3) EPC	(a) Filing of a Latvian translation accompanied by a request for conversion (b) Payment of national filing fee for conversion (EUR 120) Art. 74 PL	Within 3 months of filing the request for conversion	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(3) IPL	-
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland				

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Lithuania	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time Art. 82(1) PL	(a) Payment of national filing fee (EUR 86 plus EUR 14 for the 16th and each subsequent claim) (b) Filing, in triplicate, of a Lithuanian translation Art. 82(2) PL	1 month after receipt by the State Patent Bureau of the request. Art. 15(2) PL	Yes, but authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. However, an address for service in Lithuania must be given. Art. 14(3) PL	-
Luxembourg	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 11 Law of 27.5.77	(a) Payment of - the filing fee (EUR 20) - the renewal fee(s) due on the date of receipt of the request for conversion (b) Filing of a German or French translation Art. 13 Law of 27.5.77 Fees Reg.	3 months from a request by the Luxembourg Intellectual Property Office Art. 13 Law of 27.5.77	The procedural steps referred to in section 2(b) must be taken by a representative entitled to practise in Luxembourg, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business on the territory of the EU.	-
Malta	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time. R. 10(1) L.N. 99/2007	(a) Payment of the prescribed fee (EUR 699) (b) Filing of a translation in one of Malta's official languages R. 10(2) L.N. 99/2007	Within 2 months from the date the Comptroller invites the applicant to submit the translation and pay the prescribed fee R. 10(2) L.N. 99/2007	Foreign applicants whose permanent residence or business is not in any EU member state must appoint an agent who has his ordinary residence or principal place of business in Malta to represent him. Art. 61(2) PA 2000	-
Monaco	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 6 SO No. 10.427	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (EUR 30) (b) Filing of a French translation SO (Fees)	3 months after receipt by the applicant of the communication for conversion. An additional time limit of 1 month from date of notification by the MC Patent Office will be granted subject to a 20% surcharge on the amounts due. Art. 3 MD	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his representative before the EPO. Appointment of a national representative for subsequent procedural acts is not required.	-

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Netherlands	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 47 PA	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (EUR 90) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Dutch translation Art. 48(2) PA	3 months after receipt of the request for conversion Art. 48(2) PA	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant, his national patent attorney or attorney at law.	A certification of the translation must be filed if required by the NPO. Art. 48(2) PA
Norway	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC. § 66m PL	(a) Filing of a request for conversion with the national authority that received the application (b) Payment of application fee (NOK 4 650 filing fee, including search fee, plus NOK 250 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) If applicant is an individual or a small enterprise with a permanent staff of 20 full-time equivalents or fewer, the application fee is NOK 850 + NOK 250 for the 11th and each subsequent claim. (c) Filing of a Norwegian or English translation of the application, or a copy of the application if it is in English § 21 Fees Reg. § 66m PL § 62 PR	Requests for conversion must be filed within 3 months of when the applicant was informed that the application was deemed to be withdrawn, and forwarded to the NIPO within 20 months of the filing date of the application or, if priority has been claimed, of the priority date. The application fee must be paid within 30 days of the invoice date. Any translations must be filed within 3 months of acknowledgement by the NIPO of receipt of the request for conversion. § 66m PL § 3 Fees Reg. § 62(2) PR	No	-

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Poland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Withdrawal or refusal of the application Art. 5 § 1 EPAL	(a) Payment of - filing fee (PLN 550, or PLN 500, if the application is filed electronically, plus PLN 25 for each page of the description, claims and drawings in excess of 20); - extra fee for a declaration claiming priority (PLN 100 for each priority) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Polish translation of the patent application (containing the description of the invention, the abstract, patent claims and drawings) Art. 5 §§ 2 and 3 EPAL Annex 1 item I 1 and 2 Fees Reg.	2 months from the date of service of the invitation by the PL Patent Office at the latest Art. 5 § 2 EPAL	Yes, except for persons having their domicile or seat in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement or Switzerland. Art. 236 § 3 IPL	EP applications refused by the EPO, withdrawn or deemed to be withdrawn may also be converted into an application for a utility model. Art. 5 § 1 EPAL
Portugal	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC was not filed in time. Art. 86(1), (2), (3), 87(3) PA	(a) Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national patent applications or patents: Payment of national filing fee: EUR 106.61 if filed online, EUR 213.21 if filed on paper Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national utility model applications or utility models: Payment of national filing fee: EUR 106.61 if filed online, EUR 213.21 if filed on paper and national examination fee: EUR 79.97 if filed online, EUR 159.91 if filed on paper (b) Filing of a Portuguese translation Art. 81, 86(4), (6) PA Fees Res.	2 months after receipt by INPI of the request for conversion Art. 86(6) PA	No Art. 10 PA	The EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model. Art. 87(3) PA

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Romania	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time Art. 9(1) AccEPCLaw	(a) Request for conversion (b) Filing of the Romanian translation of the EP patent application and, where appropriate, of the text as amended in proceedings before the EPO (c) Payment of the prescribed fee	(a) Within 3 months of the date of the notification to the applicant that the application is deemed to be withdrawn (b) + (c) Within 2 months of the invitation by OSIM to do so	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his national representative. All subsequent procedural steps must be taken by an authorised national representative, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Romania.	In the case indicated in section 1, the EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model Art. 14(5) LMU
San Marino	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Art. 9(1)(b) Decree Law No. 76/2009	(a) Request for conversion (b) Payment of the prescribed fee (c) Filing of a translation in Italian of the European patent application	2 months after receipt by the USBM of the request for conversion	Foreign applicants must appoint a professional representative who has been entered on the list of patent attorneys maintained by the USBM	-
Serbia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation into the language of the proceedings pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC was not filed in time. Art. 153(1) PL	(a) Payment of national fees for filing, for conversion and for publication of the mention of the conversion in the Intellectual Property Gazette Proof of payment of the prescribed fees must be provided. (b) Filing of a Serbian translation of the European patent application Art. 153(4)(5) PL	Within 2 months of filing the request for conversion Art. 153(5) PL	Yes Art. 5 PL	-

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Slovakia	Request for conversion of a European patent application to a national application under Art. 135 EPC. The Slovak Industrial Property Office processes the request under Part 3 PA or Art. 135(2) EPC. § 61(1) PA	(a) If the request for conversion of a European patent application to a national patent application is filed with the Slovak Industrial Property Office in accordance with Art. 135(2) EPC the applicant is obliged to pay a fee of EUR 20 for each (designated) state. (b) If the request for conversion of a European patent application to a national patent application is filed with the EPO in accordance with Art. 135(3) EPC and transmitted to the Slovak Industrial Property Office, the applicant is obliged (i) to pay a fee of EUR 30 (if the request is filed by an inventor or co-inventors) or EUR 60 (if the request is filed by a person other than an inventor or co-inventors); (ii) to file a translation of the European patent application into Slovak. § 61(2) PA Schedule of Fees, items 216(a), 216a(a), Fees Law	3 months from the date of the invitation by the Slovak Industrial Property Office § 61(2) PA	Yes, for natural or legal persons not having their residence or principal place of business in the Slovak Republic The above mandatory representation does not apply to parties who are nationals of a contracting state to the EEA Agreement or have their registered office or a place of business in the territory of such a state; such parties must provide the Slovak Industrial Property Office with an address for correspondence in the territory of the Slovak Republic. Representation by an appointed agent or a patent attorney authorised to practise before the Slovak Industrial Property Office § 79 (2) PA	European patent application may also be converted into an application for a utility model. § 36 UM
Slovenia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time Art. 30(1) IPA	(a) Payment of the prescribed fee (EUR 110) (b) Filing of a Slovenian translation of the European patent application Art. 30(2) IPA Art. 1(1.4.3) Fees Decr.	2 months following the date of transmission of the request for conversion to the Patent Office Art. 137(2) EPC	Yes Art. 129 IPA	-

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Spain	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time (see also section 5) Art. 158 NPL	(a) Payment of - filing fee (100.38 for paper filings/EUR 85.32 for electronic filings) - fee for each priority (EUR 19.65 for paper filings/EUR 16.70 for electronic filings) - any renewal fees due (b) Filing of a Spanish translation Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. Art. 98 RD 316	2 months after receipt by OEPM of the request for conversion Art. 98 RD 316	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his representative before the EPO; an authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. All subsequent procedural steps must be taken by an authorised national representative, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in the EU. Art. 158 NPL	The EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model. The same applies to applications refused by the EPO, withdrawn or deemed to be withdrawn. Art. 159 NPL
Sweden	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC § 93(1) PA	(a) Payment of application fee (SEK 500 filing fee + SEK 2 500 search fee + SEK 150 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) (b) Filing of a Swedish or English translation § 93(1) PA § 66 PD	3 months after acknowledgement by the SE Patent Office of receipt of the request for conversion § 66 PD	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his representative before the EPO. The SE Patent Office can invite an applicant not domiciled in Sweden to have an agent residing here who is entitled to receive for him service in matters concerning the application. § 12 PA	-

Contracting state	1 Basis for conversion	2 Procedural steps to be taken	3 Time limit for taking procedural steps referred to in section 2	4 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	5 Special features
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time (for applications filed in Italian). Art. 121 PA	(a) Payment of national filing fee (CHF 200 + CHF 50 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) (b) Filing of a translation in one of Switzerland's official languages (c) Payment of renewal fees already due Art. 123 PA Art. 118, 17a(1)(a), 49, 18 PO Fees Reg. (Annex III)	(a) and (b) time limit set by the IPI (c) 6 months from a request by the IPI (surcharge payable from 4th month) Art. 118 PO	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or his representative before the EPO; an authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. For subsequent procedural acts, applicants having their residence or principal place of business abroad must give an address for service in Switzerland or Liechtenstein. Art. 13 PA Art. 118 PO	If the applicant has his residence or principal place of business abroad, he is first required to indicate in the time limit set by the IPI an address for service in Switzerland or Liechtenstein or appoint a national representative to accept correspondence. The applicant or his representative is then requested to take all subsequent procedural steps. Text in the drawings may, if admissible, be translated during the national procedure. A translation of the request and search report is not required.
Turkey	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC R. 19 RegEPC	(a) Payment of national filing fee: TRY 90* The filing fee is increased according to the number of priorities, see List of Fees. Fee reduction for online filing: TRY 45* (b) Filing in duplicate of a Turkish translation R. 20 RegEPC Fees 2018	3 months after receipt of the request for conversion by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office R. 20 RegEPC	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by a professional representative before the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Turkey. R. 20 RegEPC	In the case indicated in section 1 the EP application may be converted into a national patent or utility model application. R. 19 RegEPC

* Note: all fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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United Kingdom	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Request for conversion, accompanied by copy of notification by EPO that the application is deemed to be withdrawn (**only if** the IPO is the receiving Office; otherwise request will be filed by the receiving office); (b) Application fee of GBP 90 (GBP 60 if filed electronically), if paid at the time of filing the request for conversion (a 25% surcharge will be added if it is paid later); and search fee (Form 9A) of GBP 180 (GBP 150 if filed electronically) plus GBP 20 for each claim over 25; (c) Statement of inventorship and of right to grant (Form 7 – no fee) (d) Where necessary an English translation	**If the IPO is the receiving Office:** (a) 3 months from date of notification to the applicant by the EPO that the application is deemed to be withdrawn (b) and (c) 2 months from receipt of the request for conversion, extendible by 2 months (R. 108(2)) or possibly longer on request under R. 108(3). Any extensions or further extensions may only be for periods of 2 months (R. 108(5)) and cannot be granted more than 2 months after the originally prescribed or previously extended period has expired (R. 108(7)). **If the IPO is not the receiving Office:** (a) 20 months from the date of filing of the application or the declared priority date (b) to (d) 4 months from the date of a communication from the IPO notifying receipt of a request for conversion, extendible by 2 months under R. 108(2) or possibly longer under R. 108(3). Any extensions or further extensions may only be for periods of 2 months (R. 108(5)) and cannot be granted more than 2 months after the originally prescribed or previously extended period has expired (R. 108(7)).	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 may be taken by the applicant or any representative appointed by the applicant. Authorisation will not normally be required except where there is a change of national representative after the proceedings before the IPO have begun or where a representative is appointed after the applicant has started proceedings himself, in which case Form 51 (no fee) is required.	The other information required for a normal domestic filing (Form 1) should also be supplied (e.g. title, priority data), but no fee will be necessary. re section 3: For an extension under R. 108(2), Form 52 (fee GBP 135) must be filed; for a request under R. 108(3), Form 52 (fee GBP 135) accompanied by evidence supporting the grounds for the request must be filed.
	Sect. 81(1) PA	Sect. 81(2) PA R. 58, 59 PR R. 3(1)(b), 3A, 3B, Schedule 1 PFR	R. 58(1), (3), (4), 59(1), (3), 108(2), (3), (5), (7) PR	R. 101, 103 PR	R. 12(1), 108(2), (3), (5), (7) PR Schedule 1 PFR

Payment of fees VIII.

A number of "national fees" are payable to the patent authorities of the contracting states in connection with the provisions of the EPC or to those of the extension and validation states under their applicable national laws (see Tables II, III, IV, VI, VII, IX).

The purpose of the following Table is to facilitate these fee payments by setting out some useful information regarding national legal provisions, accounts held by patent authorities, permissible methods of payment and date considered as the effective payment date.

There is no special mention of common principles and practice governing payment transactions, such as the requirement to state the name of the person making payment and the purpose of the payment and to specify the patent application number or publication number.

References to banks, post offices or postal giro offices denote only the relevant institution or office within the territory of the contracting state in question.

When making payments, allowance should be made for charges which may be levied by banks, especially on incoming foreign transfers, and which it is not the responsibility of the national patent authorities to pay.

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Albania	Fees Decr.	Drejtoria e Pergjithshme e Pronësisë Industriale Banka Kombetare Tregtare BKT Shkolla Baletit TIRANE-SHQIPERI Account No. 515003225CLPBCLALLZQ IBAN: AL11 2051 1650 0032 25CL PBCL ALLZ SWIFT: NCBAALTXXXX	(a) Bank transfer (b) Cash payment	3(a) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at the GDIP
Austria	POR	Österreichisches Patentamt BAWAG P.S.K. Georg-Coch-Platz 2 1018 WIEN IBAN: AT75 0100 0000 0516 0000 BIC: BUNDATWW	(a) Payment to the Giro account (b) Transfer to the Giro account § 8 POR	3(a) Date of inpayment at an Austrian post office or the BAWAG P.S.K. 3(b) Date on which credited to the Patent Office Giro account indicated in section 2 § 8 POR
Belgium	RD (Fees)	Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle (OPRI) auprès du Service public fédéral Économie, PME, Classes moyennes et Énergie Rue du Progrès, 50 1210 BRUXELLES BPost SA Centre Monnaie 1000 BRUXELLES IBAN: BE61 6792 0058 8017 BIC: PCHQBEBB	- payment or transfer to OPRI's account - debit from a deposit account with the OPRI - on-the-spot electronic payment by debit card **Where represented before the OPRI:** - any person can pay renewal fees - for other fees, Article XI.62(3), subpara. 2, No. 2, ELC provides that natural or legal persons having neither their residence nor their actual place of business in an EU member state need not be represented for the purposes of paying fees in OPRI proceedings. Art. XI.62 ELC Art. 4 RD (Fees)	Payment is considered to have been made: 1. on the date it is credited to the OPRI's account if it is made by transfer or electronically 2. on the date of the OPRI's receipt of the request to debit the fee amount, provided sufficient funds are available 3. on the date additional funds sufficient to cover the fee are credited to the OPRI's account if funds available when debiting within the meaning of point 2 above was requested were insufficient. If the due date of a fee or surcharge falls on a Saturday, Sunday or public holiday, it will be deferred to the next working day. Art. 6, 7, 9, 11 RD (Fees)
Bulgaria	Art. 5, 33 PL Decr. Fees	Bulgarian Patent Office Bulgarian National Bank (BNB) Centralno Upravlenie 1, Knyaz Alexander I Sq. 1000 SOFIA IBAN: BG90 BNBG 9661 3100 1709 01 SWIFT: BNBGBGSF BNB correspondent bank account in TARGET2: IBAN: BG83 BNBG 9661 1100 0661 41	(a) Cash payment (b) Bank transfer	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at Bulgarian Patent Office 3(b) Date of payment at the bank

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Croatia	LAdmFees RCh	Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia Katanciceva 5 10000 Zagreb State Budget of the Republic of Croatia Croatian National Bank Trg hrvatskih velikana 3 10000 Zagreb IBAN: HR12 1001 0051 8630 0016 0 BIC/SWIFT: NBHRHR2XXXX	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order **Important:** Please state with each payment the following details: "MODEL: HR63 PNB: 5657-6179-140007" Each payment should preferably be followed by a remittance notice indicating the European patent application or European patent concerned.	3(a) and (b) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2
Cyprus	PL PFR	Registrar of Companies and Official Receiver CENTRAL BANK OF CYPRUS 80, Kennedy Avenue 1076 Nicosia IBAN: CY16 0010 0001 0000 0000 0600 1010 SWIFT: CBCYCY2NFBU	Fees must be paid in EUR: (a) Cash payment (b) Cheque payable to the Registrar of Companies (c) Bank transfer	Date of receipt of the payment at the CY Patent Office
Czech Republic	(a) Renewal fees for European patents: LRenFees (b) Other fees: LAdmFees	Czech Industrial Property Office Czech National Bank Na Příkopě 28 115 03 PRAHA 1 SWIFT: CNBACZPP Account numbers: *(a) Renewal fees for European patents:* 35-21526001/0710 IBAN: CZ95 0710 0000 3500 2152 6001 *(b) Other fees:* 3711-21526001/0710 IBAN: CZ36 0710 0037 1100 2152 6001	(a) Cash payment (b) Postal money order (c) Bank cheque (d) Transfer to the account of the CZ Industrial Property Office § 10 LRenFees	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the CZ Industrial Property Office 3(b) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(c) Date of receipt of the cheque at the CZ Industrial Property Office, provided the cheque is met 3(d) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2

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Denmark	PA	Patent- og Varemærke-styrelsen Danske Bank Holmens Kanal 2-12 1092 KØBENHAVN K Account No. 0216 4069 0562 96 IBAN: DK66 0216 4069 0562 96 SWIFT: DABADKKK	(a) Cash payment (b) Cheque drawn on a Danish bank and made payable to the DKPTO in Danish currency (c) (Cabled) transfer to a Danish bank in favour of the bank account indicated in section 2 (d) Debit from a deposit account with the DKPTO Any payment to the DKPTO shall be sent in DKK (Danish currency). The payment shall always be accompanied by detailed instructions/information.	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the DKPTO 3(b) Date of receipt of the cheque at the DKPTO 3(c) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(d) Date of receipt of debit order
Estonia	PA FA RFI	Rahandusministeerium (Ministry of Finance) Patent Office Ref. No. 2900082362 (1) AS SEB Pank Tornimäe 2 15010 TALLINN IBAN: EE89 1010 2200 3479 6011 BIC/SWIFT: EEUHEE2X (2) Swedbank AS Liivalaia 8 15040 TALLINN IBAN: EE93 2200 2210 2377 8606 BIC/SWIFT: HABAEE2X (3) Danske Bank AS Estonia branch Narva mnt 11 15015 TALLINN IBAN: EE 40 3300 3334 1611 0002 BIC/SWIFT: FOREEE2X (4) Luminor Bank Liivalaia 45 10145 TALLINN IBAN: EE70 1700 0170 0157 7198 BIC/SWIFT: NDEAEE2X	Payment or transfer to a bank account of the Estonian Ministry of Finance (see section 2)	Date of receipt at the Estonian Patent Office of a document certifying the payment § 41(2) PA

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Finland	PA Fees Decr.	Patentti- ja rekisterihallitus 00091 PRH Client Service: Sörnäisten rantatie 13 C HELSINKI (1) OP Corporate Bank Plc PL 308 00013 OP IBAN: FI47 5000 0120 2535 79 BIC: OKOYFIHH (2) Nordea Bank Abp Satamaradankatu 5 00020 NORDEA IBAN: FI97 1660 3000 1042 27 BIC: NDEAFIHH (3) Danske Bank A/S, Finland Branch Televisiokatu 1 00075 DANSKE BANK IBAN: FI34 8919 9710 0007 32 BIC: DABAFIHH	(a) Debit card payment at Client Service (b) (Cabled) transfer to a Finnish bank in favour of one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the PRH 3(b) Date on which credited to one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	Fees Law	State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia P.O. Box 401 Kompleks banki b.b. 1000 SKOPJE *(a) Renewal fees for European patents:* money order or bank transfer to budget account No. 1 000 000 000 63095; suspense account No. 840 033 03135 revenue code: 722318 manner: 2 *(b) Publication fees:* money order or bank transfer to SOIP's account No. 1100200213-787-13; revenue code: 724149-20; manner: 1; SOIP's tax number: 4030994253825	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order	3(a) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of payment at MK post office

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
France	Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 DG Dec. No. 2018-137	I.N.P.I. Agence Comptable Trésor Public Direction régionale des finances publiques - Île-de-France et département de Paris (DRFIP) 94 rue Réaumur 75002 PARIS	Renewal fee payments are only accepted in electronic form using the dedicated interface on the INPI website (https://eprocedures.inpi.fr). Electronic payment of renewal fees may be made: (a) by an order to debit an INPI customer account or (b) by payment by debit card DG Dec. No. 2018-137	Date of payment DG Dec. No. 2018-137
Germany	LPF Cost Ord.	Bundeskasse Halle/DPMA BBk München (Deutsche Bundesbank Filiale München) IBAN: DE84 7000 0000 0070 0010 54 BIC: MARKDEF1700 **Important:** Customers should declare that any handling charges are borne by the payer.	(a) Cash payment at the cashdesks of the DPMA (b) Credit transfer to the account of the Bundeskasse Halle with the Bundesbank München (c) Cash payment via a domestic or foreign financial institution to the Bundeskasse Halle account with the Bundesbank München (d) Valid SEPA debit order stating purpose of payment and covering the costs § 1 Cost Ord.	3(a) Date of payment 3(b) Date payment is credited to the account 3(c) Date of payment 3(d) Date of receipt at DPMA or Federal Patent Court (for prepaid fees: their due date), provided payment is received by federal cash office competent for DPMA. If SEPA debit order is filed by fax, the original must be filed within one month thereafter; otherwise date of payment is deemed to be that on which original is received. § 2 Cost Ord.
Greece	Dec. of 10.2.2012	OBI Organismos Biomichanikis Idioktisias (1) Alpha Bank (Amaroussio Branch No. 146) 64 Kifissias Avenue 151 25 ATHENS Account No. 1460 0200 2008 632 IBAN: GR92 0140 1460 1460 0200 2008 632 BIC: CRBAGRAA (2) National Bank of Greece (Amaroussio Branch No. 669) 6-8 Kifissias Avenue 151 25 ATHENS Account No. 66947900149 IBAN: GR05 0110 6690 0000 6694 7900 149 BIC: ETHNGRAA	(a) Credit or debit card (b) Postal cheque payable to "OBI" (c) Remittance (by online or telephone banking) to the OBI's account with Alpha Bank or its account with the National Bank of Greece Art. 4(1) Dec. of 10.2.2012 Art. 123 Law No. 4512/2018	3(a) Date of receipt of the payment at the OBI's cash office 3(b) Date of receipt of the cheque at the OBI's cash office 3(c) Date on which the amount is credited to the the OBI's account with Alpha Bank or its account with the National Bank of Greece Art. 4(2) Dec. of 10.2.2012

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Hungary	Art. 115/R PA FeeDecr	Account of the HIPO with the Hungarian State Treasury 1909 BUDAPEST No. 1003 2000-0173 1842-0000 0000 IBAN: HU30 1003 2000 0173 1842 0000 0000 SWIFT: MANEHUHB	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order Including identification data (reference or registration number) and recipient details Art. 21 FeeDecr	3(a) Two bank working days or, if transferred from abroad, five bank working days prior to crediting of the amount to the HIPO's account 3(b) Date on which the money order is issued (as date - stamped by a Hungarian post office)
Iceland	PA Fees Reg.	650191-2189 Einkaleyfastofan (Icelandic Patent Office) Engjateigur 3 150 REYKJAVIK NBI hf (Landsbankinn) Laugavegi 77 101 REYKJAVIK IBAN: IS71 0111 2601 2189 6501 9121 89 SWIFT: NBIIISRE	(a) Cash payment (b) Payment in ISK to the bank account (see section 2) The payment shall always be accompanied by detailed instructions/information.	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the Icelandic Patent Office 3(b) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2
Ireland	PA PR	Irish Patents Office Government Buildings Hebron Road KILKENNY R95 H4XC DANSKE BANK DJEI Patents Office EFT – Public Bank Account Account No. 80012459 IBAN: IE94 DABA 9519 9080 0124 59 BIC: DABAIE2D	The Patents Office accepts payment of renewal fees by electronic means only: Online or by telephone – our office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5pm. EFT/Bank Details – The Patents Office can only accept payment (which must be in Euro) by EFT as follows: Each payment must be followed by a remittance notice giving the date and the amount paid to the Patents Office EFT account. Where a payment is to cover a number of different transactions, a schedule or breakdown of the payment must be provided. The remittance notice must be emailed to: payments@patentsoffice.ie In order to meet a statutory deadline in relation to the payment of a fee, please allow up to two working days for any EFT payment to reach our bank account. Any queries can be sent to the Finance Section at: payments@patentsoffice.ie or telephone +353 56 7720111.	(1) Date of payment made online (2) Date of receipt of EFT transfer in the Office's bank account

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Italy	Fees Law Min. Decr. of 2.4.2007 Circ. of 5.2.2010 Prov. of 20.11.2014 Min. Decr. of 26.1.2015	**(a) Payments made within Italy** Payee: Agenzia delle Entrate All fee payments relating to European patents must be made using form F24 via an authorised Italian bank or a post office. *(i) Renewal fees for European patents:* F24, code "C301" for "Annualità convalida Brevetto Europeo" *(ii) Other fees:* F24, codes "C300" and "C302" **(b) Payments made from other euro zone states** Payee: Tesoreria dello Stato Name of bank: Banca d'Italia IBAN: IT09 Z010 0003 2453 4800 8121 701 BIC: BITAITRRENT **(c) Payments made from states outside the euro zone** Payee: Banca d'Italia Name of correspondent bank: Deutsche Bank IBAN: DE03 5007 0010 0935 6403 00 BIC: DEUTDEFF **(d) Payments (in euro) due to the Chamber of Commerce of Rome – only for filing by postal service** Payee: Camera di Commercio Industria Artigianato e Agricoltura di Roma Name of the bank: Poste Italiane IBAN: IT67 C076 0103 2000 0003 3692 005 BIC: BPPIITRRXXX	(a) Via an Italian bank or post office, using the prescribed form (F24). The payment voucher has to be presented to the Italian Patent and Trademark Office (UIBM). (b), (c) and (d) Bank transfer	3(a) For payments using F24: the date of inpayment at an Italian post office or bank (date stamp) 3(b) and (c) For bank transfers from abroad: the date the payment is credited to one of the accounts cited 3(d) Date on which credited to the account cited
Latvia	PL PR Fees Reg.	LR Patentu valde Citadeles iela 7/70 1010 RIGA Reg. No. 90000042944 Treasury of the Republic of Latvia IBAN: LV43 TREL 9190 4620 1500 B BIC: TRELLV22	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland			

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Lithuania	Art. 75 PL Fees Law	State Tax Inspectorate under the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania Reference number: 5310 (1) Luminor Bank AB (former AB DNB Bank) Bank Code: 40100 IBAN: LT74 4010 0510 0132 4763 BIC: AGBLLT2X (2) AB SEB bankas Bank Code: 70440 IBAN: LT05 7044 0600 0788 7175 BIC: CBVILT2X (3) Šiaulių bankas AB Bank Code: 71800 IBAN: LT32 7180 0000 0014 1038 BIC: CBSBLT26 (4) Danske Bank A/S (Lithuanian branch) Bank Code: 74000 IBAN: LT74 7400 0000 0872 3870 BIC: SMPOLT22 (5) Luminor Bank AB (former Lithuanian branch of the Nordea Bank AB) Bank Code: 21400 IBAN: LT12 2140 0300 0268 0220 BIC: NDEALT2X (6) SWEDBANK AB Bank Code: 73000 IBAN: LT24 7300 0101 1239 4300 BIC: HABALT22 (7) UAB Medicinos bankas Bank Code: 72300 IBAN: LT42 7230 0000 0012 0025 BIC: MDBALT22 (8) AB "Citadelė" bankas Bank Code 72900 IBAN: LT78 7290 0000 0013 0151 BIC: INDULT2X	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Luxembourg	PL (Art. 89.2) Fees Reg.	**Until 31.12.2018:** Administration de l'Enregistrement et des Domaines, Bureau des successions et de la taxe d'abonnement 67-69, rue Verte 2667 LUXEMBOURG Post LUXEMBOURG IBAN: LU31 1111 0077 3370 0000 BIC: CCPLLULL **From 1.1.2019:** Ministère de l'Économie Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle 2914 LUXEMBOURG Post Luxembourg IBAN: LU91 1111 7125 0540 0000 BIC: CCPLLULL	Bank transfer	Date on which amount is credited to the account indicated in section 2
Malta	PA 2000 L.N. 99/2007	IPRD Office	(a) Bank cheque (b) Cash payment	3(a) and (b) Date of receipt of payment at IPRD Office
Monaco	PA SO No. 1.476 SO No. 10.427 SO (Fees)	TGF - Direction de l'Expansion Économique 9 rue du Gabian 98000 Monaco RMON SDC MONACO Place des Moulins 98000 Monaco Account No. 0000063074 G Clé RIB 72 Code banque 30002 Indicatif 03214 IBAN: MC06 3000 2032 1400 0006 3074 G72 BIC: CRLYMCM1XXX	(a) Cash payment (b) Bank cheque or postal cheque (c) Bank transfer	3(a) Date of receipt of the payment at the MC Patent Office 3(b) Date of receipt at the MC Patent Office; the date marked by postal date stamp will be considered as proof 3(c) Date on which the amount is credited to the account Art. 4 SO (Fees)
Netherlands	PA PR	Octrooicentrum Nederland onderdeel van RVO ING Bank P.O. Box 1800 1000 BV AMSTERDAM IBAN: NL41 INGB 0705 0012 96 BIC: INGBNL2A	(a) Cash payment (b) Transfer or payment to the bank account (c) Cheque made out in EUR (d) Debit from a deposit account with the NPO	3(a) and 3(c) Date of receipt of the payment or cheque at the NPO 3(b) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(d) Date of receipt of debit order

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Norway	PL PR Fees Reg.	Patentstyret DNB Bank ASA 0021 OSLO BIC: DNBANOKKXXX *(a) Renewal fees for European patents:* Account No. 8276.01.00192 IBAN: NO82 8276 0100 192 *(b) Other fees:* Account No. 8276.03.00078 IBAN: NO46 8276 0300 078	Bank transfer Any payment to NIPO must be sent in NOK (Norwegian currency). Payment details should be sent to the NIPO e-mail address: regnskap@patentstyret.no	Date on which the payment is credited to the bank account indicated in section 2
Poland	Fees Reg.	Urząd Patentowy RP Narodowy Bank Polski Oddział Okręgowy WARSZAWA IBAN: PL 93 1010 1010 0025 8322 3100 0000 SWIFT (BIC): NBPLPLPW	(a) Cash payment (b) Postal money order (c) Bank transfer § 5 Fees Reg.	3(a) Date marked by the date stamp on the payment form handed in at the PL Patent Office 3(b) Date marked by the postal date stamp (at a Polish post office) on the postal money order 3(c) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Portugal	Art. 89, 346, 347(1), (2) PA Fees Res.	INPI	Fees must be paid in EUR. **National payments:** ***Paper route:*** (a) Cash payment (b) ATM (c) Cheque (d) Postal order ***Online route:*** Home banking (ATM) **International payments:** Credit card[1] (Visa or MasterCard) [1] **Credit card:** To facilitate debiting of the payment, applicants must provide their credit card number and bank details **Bank transfer:** This method of payment is permitted only in very exceptional circumstances. To be permitted to make a bank transfer, applicants must: - directly contact the INPI PT's Customer Support Service (servico.publico@inpi.pt) - inform the Customer Support Service that they have made a request online - inform the Customer Support Service that they need to make a bank transfer - duly complete and send to INPI PT, on paper, the special form required - send a copy of the bank transfer to INPI PT This information must be sent to the INPI PT's Customer Support Service (servico.publico@inpi.pt).	3(a) and 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at INPI 3(c) and 3(d) Date of post stamp

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Romania	Fees Law	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) *(a) Payments in EUR:* Banca Comerciala Romana Sala Palatului 33, Ion Campineanu Street Sector 1, code 010035 BUCUREŞTI IBAN: RO38 RNCB 0080 0056 3032 0005 BIC/SWIFT: RNCBROBU *(b) Payments in RON:* Activitatea de Trezorerie şi Contabilitate Publică a Municipiului Bucureşti Strada Cireşului nr. 6 Sector 3 BUCUREŞTI IBAN: RO29 TREZ 7032 0F33 5000 XXXX Cod fiscal: 4266081	(a) Bank transfer (b) Cash payment	3(a) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of the payment at the OSIM
San Marino	Fees Decr.	USBM – Ufficio di Stato Brevetti e Marchi Via 28 Luglio, n. 212 47893 BORGO MAGGIORE (R.S.M.) (1) Banca di San Marino IBAN: SM15 W085 4009 8010 0001 0121 418 SWIFT: MAOISMSM (2) BANCA AGRICOLA COMMERCIALE IBAN: SM58 O030 3409 8040 0004 0104 363 SWIFT: BASMSMSMXXX (3) Giro account (CCP) No. 11751294 IBAN: IT87 I076 0113 2000 0001 1751 294 SWIFT: BPPIITRRXXX	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order	3(a) Date on which credited to one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2 3(b) Date marked by postal date stamp on payment form or money order

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Serbia	Art. 69 PL Fees Law	Republic administrative taxes *(a) State administrative fees*: Account No. 840-30880845-62, followed by reference No. 97 44018 *(b) Renewal fees:* Account No. 840-30686845-62, followed by reference No. 97 and the code indicating the control number of the municipality *(c) Publication fees:* Account No. 840-39845-97, followed by reference No. 97 and the code indicating the control number of the municipality	Bank transfer	Date when credited to the account indicated in section 2 and when proof of payment is duly provided to the competent authority. If the applicant or the right holder fails to pay the prescribed fee for the maintenance of rights and to submit proof of payment of this fee within the time limit, such rights shall lapse on the day following the due date. Art. 40(5) PL

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Slovakia	PA	Úrad priemyselného vlastníctva SR Švermova 43 974 04 BANSKÁ BYSTRICA 4 Štátna pokladnica Radlinského 32 810 05 BRATISLAVA 15 BIC: SPSRSKBA *(a) Renewal fees for European patents:* IBAN: SK53 8180 0000 0070 0011 9169 *(b) Other fees:* IBAN: SK49 8180 0000 0070 0006 0750 **Important:** Please state with each payment the following details: - the name of the respective account: (a) Účet európskych patentov Úrad priem. vlast. SR BB (for renewal fees), or (b) Depozitný účet Úrad priemysel. vlastníctva SR BB (for other fees) and, in each case, - the variable symbol described below which is needed to identify the European patent application or European patent concerned. The variable symbol consists of a 10-digit numerical code composed as follows: 9 y y y y y y y y y where: 9 = prefix – European patent application/European patent yyyyyyyyy = publication number of the European patent application (without A or B)	(a) Postal money order (b) Bank transfer § 7(5) Fees Law § 4 Act No. 495/2008	Date on which it is credited to the account indicated in section 2; if the fee was debited from the bank account on the last day of the period for payment, the period is considered to have been respected.

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Slovenia	Art. 9, 109, 110 IPA Fees Decr.	Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for public payments Banka Slovenije Slovenska 35 1505 LJUBLJANA Account No. 01100-1000307004 IBAN: SI56 0110 0100 0307 004 SWIFT: BSLJSI2X	(a) Postal money order (b) Payment or transfer to account (c) Cash or non-cash payment at SIPO - cost of non-cash payment to be borne by payer Art. 3 Fees Decr.	The date on which the required amount is actually entered in the account indicated in section 2 or date of payment in cash at SIPO. Where the fee is paid to the SIPO account, the date of payment shall be considered to be the date of the payment order, provided that the amount of the payment is entered in the account within five working days. Failing that, the date of payment shall be considered to be the date on which the amount of the payment is actually entered in the account. Art. 4 Fees Decr.
Spain	NPL	Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas For bank details, see "Methods of payment", point (c).	(a) Online, via the OEPM website: (a.1) Debit to a client account at CAIXABANK. (a.2) Debit to a client account at any bank associated with the Spanish Tax Administration (AEAT) (digital certificate required). (b) Cash payment in person at any CAIXABANK branch (forms generated from the OEPM website are needed). More details at *www.oepm.es/en/Formas_de_pago.html* (c) **Only if the payer cannot pay by method (a) or (b):** - Go to *https://tramites2.oepm.es/gendocpagT2/inicio* - Fill in the payer's details and select the fees to be paid. - An email with all the details needed to make the bank transfer will be sent. - Once the OEPM has received the payment, receipt(s) will be emailed to the payer.	3(a.1) and 3(a.2) Date of payment via the OEPM website. 3(b) Date of payment at a CAIXABANK branch. 3(c) Date of the bank transfer.

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Sweden	PA PD	Patent- och registreringsverket *(a) Payments made in Sweden:* Danske bank Sverige Norrmalmstorg 1 Box 7523 103 92 STOCKHOLM Bankgiro 5050-0248 *(b) Payments from abroad:* Danske bank Sverige Norrmalmstorg 1 Box 7523 103 92 STOCKHOLM IBAN: SE17 1200 0000 0128 1010 7165 BIC/SWIFT: DABASESX *or electronically:* via the **Web Shop** (only available in Swedish) on the website of the SE Patent Office	(a) Cheque drawn on a Swedish bank and made payable to the SE Patent Office in Swedish currency (b) (Cabled) transfer to a Swedish bank in favour of the Giro account indicated in section 2	3(a) Date of receipt of cheque at the SE Patent Office 3(b) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Fees Reg.	Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property (IPI) Swiss Post PostFinance 3030 BERN Account No. 30-4000-1 BLZ: 9000 IBAN: CH68 0900 0000 3000 4000 1 SWIFT: POFICHBE	(a) Debit from a current account with the IPI (b) Payment or transfer to Giro account (c) Postal money order (d) Cash payment Art. 7 Fees Reg.	3(a) to (c) Date on which credited to an account of the IPI 3(d) Date of receipt of payment at the IPI The time limit for payment is observed if, before it expires, the amount due is paid to Swiss Post or debited from a postal or bank account in Switzerland, in favour of the IPI. If a payment order carries a value date after the time limit fixed by the IPI it is not possible to claim the evidence mentioned above.

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Turkey	DL No. 551 IPL Fees 2017	Türk Patent ve Marka Kurumu *(a) Payments in TRY:* (1) Ziraat Bankası/Ankara Kamu Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 34272132-5280 IBAN: TR45 0001 0017 4534 2721 3252 80 BIC: TCZBTR2AANK (2) Halk Bankası/Ankara Yıldız Şubesi Account No. 06000004 IBAN: TR34 0001 2009 4090 0006 0000 04 BIC: TRHBTR2AXXX (3) Vakıflar Bankası/Ankara Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 00158007303108940 IBAN: TR89 0001 5001 5800 7303 1089 40 BIC: TVBATR2AXXX *(b) Payments in EUR:* Halk Bankası/Ankara Yıldız Şubesi Account No. 58000016 IBAN: TR20 0001 2009 4090 0058 0000 16 BIC: TRHBTR2AXXX *(c) Payments in USD:* Halk Bankası/Ankara Yıldız Şubesi Account No. 53000082 IBAN: TR40 0001 2009 4090 0053 0000 82 BIC: TRHBTR2AXXX *(d) Payments in CHF:* Halk Bankası/Ankara Yıldız Şubesi Account No. 73000001 IBAN: TR63 0001 2009 4090 0073 0000 01 BIC: TRHBTR2AXXX	(a) Bank transfer (for all payments) Renewal fees may be paid either: (b) online by credit card through the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office website (*https://online.turkpatent.gov.tr/CES/*) or (c) by bank transfer. Patentees paying by bank transfer should submit the transfer details online through the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office website (*https://online.turkpatent.gov.tr/CES/*)	3(a) and (c) Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
United Kingdom	PA PR	Intellectual Property Office Barclays Bank Plc 3rd Floor Windsor Court 3 Windsor Place CARDIFF CF10 3ZL Account No. 80531766 Sort Code: 20-18-23 IBAN: GB92 BARC 2018 2380 5317 66 SWIFT: BARCGB22	(a) Bank transfer (b) Debit to a client deposit account held by the IPO (c) Credit/debit card (Visa, MasterCard/American Express, Maestro) (d) Cheque drawn in sterling on a UK clearing bank (e) Money order (f) Cash payment in person at the IPO The documents relating to the payment of fees should be supported by a Fees Sheet (Form FS/2) or equivalent form listing individual fees. A reference (e.g. patent or deposit account number) should be quoted to link payment with any forms sent separately.	3(a) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of documents at the IPO if sufficient funds are present in the deposit account – otherwise the date on which the deposit account is replenished 3(c), 3(d) and 3(e) Date of receipt at the IPO 3(f) Date of payment at the IPO

Validation state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			
Morocco	Art. 50.2, 50.3, 50.4, 82 Law No. 17-97 Dec. No. 9/2017 Notice DG OMPIC	OMPIC	(a) Cash payment (b) Bank cheque All payments must be made via a professional representative with a residence or place of business in Morocco.	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at OMPIC 3(b) Date of receipt of the cheque at OMPIC, provided cheque is honoured.
Republic of Moldova	Art. 44^1(3), 44^2(4),(5),(10), 93 Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774	AGEPI Agentia de Stat Pentru Proprietatea Intelectuala Mobiasbancă – Groupe Société Générale SA CHIȘINĂU Moldova IBAN: MD48 MO22 24AS V925 9210 7100 SWIFT: MOBBMD22XXX	(a) Cash payment (b) Bank transfer (c) Bank cheque	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at AGEPI 3(b) Date on which credited to the account in section 2 3(c) Date of receipt of the cheque at AGEPI
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			

Extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Spec. Fees Admin. Fees	***(a) Payments made within Bosnia and Herzegovina:*** *Payee:* JRT Trezor BiH (1) UNICREDIT BANK d.d. Mostar Kardinala Stepinca bb 88 000 MOSTAR Budget account no. 3380002210018390 (2) UNICREDIT BANK a.d. Banja Luka Marije Bursać 7 78 000 BANJA LUKA Budget account no. 5517902220404858 (3) NOVA BANKA a.d. Banja Luka Kralja Alfonsa XIII 37/A 78 000 BANJA LUKA Budget account no. 5556000031201417 (4) NLB RAZVOJNA BANKA a.d. Banja Luka Filijala Istočno Sarajevo Karađorđeva 13 ISTOČNO SARAJEVO Budget account no. 5620128137723339 ***(b) Payments made from abroad:*** *Payee:* Ministarstvo Financija i trezora BiH Trg BiH 1 SARAJEVO Account Reference: 06411 *Name of the correspondent bank:* DEUTSCHE BANK AG FRANKFURT IBAN: DE81 5007 0010 0935 9621 00 BIC/SWIFT: DEUTDEFF *Payee's bank details:* Centralna Banka Bosne i Hercegovine Maršala Tita 25 SARAJEVO IBAN: BA39 0000 0300 0000 0145 BIC/SWIFT: CBBSBA22	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2

Extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Montenegro		Ministarstvo Finansija Stanka Dragojevica 2 81000 PODGORICA Party Identifier: 400876851700 EUR Crnogorska komercijalna banka AD Zgrada Vektre 81000 PODGORICA Account no. 2345011-59-02010658 IBAN: ME2551 0000 0000 0293 7685 BIC/SWIFT: CKBCMEPG	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2

Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	Fees Decr.	Drejtoria e Pergjithshme e Pronësisë Industriale Banka Kombetare Tregtare BKT Shkolla Baletit TIRANE-SHQIPERI Account No. 515003225CLPBCLALLZQ IBAN: AL11 2051 1650 0032 25CL PBCL ALLZ SWIFT: NCBAALTXXXX	(a) Bank transfer (b) Cash payment	3(a) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at the GDIP
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	LAdmFees RCh	Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia Katanciceva 5 10000 Zagreb State Budget of the Republic of Croatia Croatian National Bank Trg hrvatskih velikana 3 10000 Zagreb IBAN: HR12 1001 0051 8630 0016 0 BIC/SWIFT: NBHRHR2XXXX	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order **Important:** Please state with each payment the following details: "MODEL: HR63 PNB: 5657-6179-140007" Each payment should preferably be followed by a remittance notice indicating the European patent application or European patent concerned.	3(a) and 3(b) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Fees Law	State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) National Bank of the Republic of Macedonia P.O. Box 401 Kompleks banki b.b. 1000 SKOPJE *(a) Renewal fees for European patents:* money order or bank transfer to budget account No. 1 000 000 000 63095; suspense account No. 840 033 03135; revenue code: 722318; manner: 2 *(b) Publication fees:* money order or bank transfer to SOIP's account No. 1100200213-787-13; revenue code: 724149-20; manner: 1; SOIP's tax number: 4030994253825	(a) Bank transfer (b) Postal money order	3(a) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of payment at MK post office

Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	PL PR Fees Reg.	LR Patentu valde Citadeles iela 7/70 1010 RIGA Reg. No. 90000050138 Treasury of the Republic of Latvia IBAN: LV43 TREL 9190 4620 1500 B BIC: TRELLV22	Transfer order	Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2

Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	Art. 75 PL Fees Law	State Tax Inspectorate under the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania Reference number: 5310 (1) Luminor Bank AB (former AB DNB Bank) Bank Code: 40100 IBAN: LT74 4010 0510 0132 4763 BIC: AGBLLT2X (2) AB SEB bankas Bank Code: 70440 IBAN: LT05 7044 0600 0788 7175 BIC: CBVILT2X (3) Šiaulių bankas AB Bank Code: 71800 IBAN: LT32 7180 0000 0014 1038 BIC: CBSBLT26 (4) Danske Bank A/S (Lithuanian branch) Bank Code: 74000 IBAN: LT74 7400 0000 0872 3870 BIC: SMPOLT22 (5) Luminor Bank AB (former Lithuanian branch of Nordea Bank AB) Bank Code: 21400 IBAN: LT12 2140 0300 0268 0220 BIC: NDEALT2X (6) SWEDBANK AB Bank Code: 73000 IBAN: LT24 7300 0101 1239 4300 BIC: HABALT22 (7) UAB Medicinos bankas Bank Code: 72300 IBAN: LT42 7230 0000 0012 0025 BIC: MDBALT22 (8) AB "Citadelė" bankas Bank Code 72900 IBAN: LT78 7290 0000 0013 0151 BIC: INDULT2X	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2

Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	PL Reg. Fees Ord.	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) *(a) Payments in EUR:* Banca Comerciala Romana Sala Palatului 33, Ion Campineanu Street Sector 1, code 010035 BUCUREŞTI BIC/SWIFT: RNCBROBU IBAN: RO38 RNCB 0080 0056 3032 0005 *(b) Payments in RON:* Activitatea de Trezorerie şi Contabilitate Publică a Municipiului Bucureşti Strada Cireşului nr. 6 Sector 3 BUCUREŞTI IBAN: RO29 TREZ 7032 0F33 5000 XXXX Cod fiscal: 4266081	(a) Bank transfer (b) Cash payment	3(a) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of the payment at the OSIM
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	Art. 69 PL Fees Law	Republic administrative taxes *(a) State administrative fees and renewal fees :* Account No. 840-30880845-62, followed by reference No. 97 44018 *(b) Publication fees:* Account No. 840-39845-97, followed by reference No. 97 and the code indicating the control number of the municipality	Bank transfer	Date when credited to the account indicated in section 2 and when proof of payment is duly provided to the competent authority. If the applicant or the right holder fails to pay the prescribed fee for the maintenance of rights and to submit proof of payment of this fee within the time limit, such rights shall lapse on the day following the due date. Art. 40(5) PL
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	Art. 9, 109, 110 IPA Fees Decr.	Administration of the Republic of Slovenia for public payments Banka Slovenije Slovenska 35 1505 LJUBLJANA Account No. 01100-1000307004 IBAN: SI56 0110 0100 0307 004 SWIFT: BSLJSI2X	(a) Postal money order (b) Payment or transfer to account (c) Cash or non-cash payment at SIPO - cost of non-cash payment to be borne by payer	The date on which the required amount is actually entered in the account indicated in section 2 or date of payment in cash at SIPO. Where the fee is paid to the SIPO account, the date of payment shall be considered to be the date of the payment order, provided that the amount of the payment is entered in the account in five working days. Failing that, the date of payment shall be considered to be the date on which the amount of the payment is actually entered in the account. Art. 4 Fees Decr.

Registering a transfer, licences and other rights in respect of a European patent in the national patent register

IX.

1. Up to grant of the European patent, **transfers**, **licences** and **other rights** in respect of European patent applications are registered centrally in the European Patent Register in accordance with Rules 22 to 24 EPC.

2. After grant of the European patent, a transfer is registered in the European Patent Register only during the opposition period or during opposition proceedings, in accordance with Rule 85 in conjunction with Rule 22 EPC. Section 6 of the following table indicates whether and under what conditions the contracting states recognise the registration of such transfers in the European Patent Register for the purposes of the national procedure.

3. This table also sets out the national regulations and requirements governing the registration of transfers, licences (excluding compulsory licences) and other rights after grant of the European patent or final closure of opposition proceedings in the individual national patent registers of the designated contracting states or in those of the extension and validation states.

All details concerning the applicable provisions and the nature of the supporting documents to be filed are based on the information supplied to the EPO by the patent authorities of the contracting, extension and validation states.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Albania	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request by the patent proprietor Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights Art. 44 to 50 PL **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP. Art. 195(2) PL	Yes
Austria	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) (a) Written application or request by court for entry in the patent register; submission of a copy of the instrument concerned (e.g. deed of transfer, extract from commercial register, certificate of inheritance). If the original instrument is not public: certified signature of the previous proprietor of the right. (b) If the patent is transferred under a contract, a declaration by the parties or their representatives recording their mutual consent can be filed instead of the instrument. §§ 33, 43(5)-(7) PA **2. Licences and other rights** Application and documents as under 1(a). §§ 34, 35, 36, 45 PA	Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria However, if the residence or place of business is in the EEA, a person authorised to accept service who is a resident of Austria may be appointed instead. (The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain cases.) § 21(4) PA	No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
ALL 5 000	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 32(2) PL	No	Documents not drafted in Albanian must be accompanied by a translation.
EUR 128 per application (including EUR 40 document fees)	Liens and other rights in rem, licences, entries relating to disputes Entries in the register have legal effect. Priority is determined by the order in which applications for entry are presented at the Patent Office. § 43(1)-(4) PA	No	-

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Belgium	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) - notification to the OPRI accompanied by either a copy of the instrument of assignment or of the official document recording the transfer of rights, or an extract from such instrument or document which is sufficient to prove transfer, or confirmation of the assignment signed by the parties - proof that the fee has been paid - supply to the OPRI of parties' names and addresses, number of patent application and its date of filing or date of patent grant, and information showing whether assignment results in co-ownership Art. XI.50 ELC Art. 33 RD of 2.12.86	see table III.B, section 1	Yes
	2. Licences and other rights - notification to the OPRI of confirmation signed by the parties - proof that the fee has been paid - supply to the OPRI of parties' names and addresses, number of patent application and its date of filing or date of patent grant, and statement showing whether licence is exclusive or non-exclusive, as well as the start date and term of the licence and the territory in which it applies Art. XI.51 ELC (contractual licences) and Art. XI.42 ELC (compulsory licences) Art. 34 RD of 2.12.86	see table III.B, section 1	Yes, for contractual licences
	3. Adjoining rights, pledging as under 1. Art. XI.52 ELC	see table III.B, section 1	Yes
Bulgaria	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request accompanied by a copy of the instrument of assignment or of the official document recording the transfer of rights (e.g. deed of transfer, certificate of inheritance, court decision); proof that the fee has been paid.	Yes Applicants with no permanent address or principal place of business in Bulgaria are required to act in proceedings before the Bulgarian Patent Office through local industrial property representatives. Art. 3(2) PL	No
	2. Licences and other rights Written request accompanied by a copy of the licence agreement or an extract thereof, sufficient to prove that a licence has been granted, signed by all parties; proof that the fee has been paid.		

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
No	Entry in the register has declaratory effect. However, entry in the register gives effect to the assignment as against third parties and the OPRI from the date notification is entered in the patent register. Art. XI.50(6) ELC Art. 34(3) RD of 2.12.86 Art. 8(1) (10) RD of 12.5.15	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required together with a letter by the party concerned explaining the nature of the transfer.	Documents not drafted in one of the national languages must be accompanied by a translation. (For the national languages see table II, section 4) Seizure: Art. XI.53 ELC. A copy of the seizure notice must be transmitted to the OPRI by the creditor concerned. The seizure is entered in the register.
No	Entry in the register gives effect to the licence agreement as against third parties and the OPRI from the date confirmation is entered in the patent register. Art. XI.51(5) ELC		
No	Entry in the register has declaratory effect. However, entry in the register gives effect to the assignment as against third parties and the OPRI from the date notification is entered in the patent register. Art. XI.52(2) ELC		Usufruct, mortgaging: Art. XI.53 ELC
BGN 60	Transfer of rights, licences Entry in the register has declaratory effect. However, the licence has effect with respect to third parties as from the date of entry.	No	Documents not drafted in Bulgarian must be accompanied by a translation.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Croatia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights or licence agreement and proof that the fee has been paid Art. 61.a PA Art. 36 PO **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Art. 4 PA	Yes Art. 36(1) PO
Cyprus	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Agreement assigning the ownership, signed by all parties, containing the EP number, date of filing, title of the invention, names, addresses and nationalities of the parties concerned. R. 5(2) PFR **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes R. 58(1) PFR Only for compulsory licences and government uses	Form P.16 R. 44 PFR
Czech Republic	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Copy of the relevant document **2. Licences and other rights** Two copies of the relevant document (licence agreement) indicating patent number, licensee and the scope of granted rights § 17 DP	Yes § 70 PA	No

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
HRK 275 per entry Tar. No. 8.3. LAdmFees Art. 47.(1) RCh	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transfer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. On request, a transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register. Art. 61.a PA	No	Supporting documents must be furnished as an original or as a certified copy. The entered changes will be published in the official gazette. Art. 61.a PA Art. 36(4) PO
EUR 100	Entries in the register have legal effect. Sect. 49 PL R. 44(1)(a) and (b) PFR	Yes Sect. 68 PL	Documents not drafted in Greek must be accompanied by a translation.
CZK 600 CZK 600	Transfer of rights as well as licences Licence agreement only has effect vis-à-vis third parties from its entry in the patent register. § 14(2) PA Assignment of a patent only has effect vis-à-vis third parties from the entry of the contract in the patent register. § 15 PA	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) and payment of the prescribed fee (see section 4) are required.	Documents not drafted in Czech must be accompanied by a translation, if so requested by the Czech Industrial Property Office

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Denmark	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Deeds of transfer signed by the patent proprietor or relevant legal decision. A declaration of consent by the transferee is not required. § 44 PA	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement § 44 PA	No	No
Estonia	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) **- sale**: request for transfer signed by the registered proprietor or request for transfer signed by the new proprietor, to which is attached a document showing that the transaction has taken place or a certified copy thereof **- merger**: request for transfer signed by new proprietor, to which is attached an extract from commercial register **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution): request for transfer signed by transferee, to which is attached a document legally establishing the transfer § 16(2) IA § 45 PA	Yes § 15 IA	No
	2. Licences and other rights Request for registration of rights (licence, mortage, etc.) signed by interested party, to which is attached an original or certified copy of the agreement or an extract from the relevant parts of the agreement (See also section 7) § 17 IA § 46 PA		No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
No No, but see section 7	Recording on request of transfer of rights or grant of licences § 44 PA § 47 PO Legal proceedings may be brought against a registered patent proprietor. § 44(4) PA Restrictions on the grant of additional licences, if any, may be entered on request.	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised by the DKPTO. Only where the DKPTO has not yet been informed of a transfer under R. 85 EPC is a copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) required.	Documents not drafted in Danish, English, Norwegian or Swedish must be accompanied by a translation.
EUR 32, unless transfer of rights took place before filing of translation of the European patent specification § 108(2) FA	Transfer of rights, registration of a licence or a mortgage §§ 45 to 47 PA § 17(7) IA	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required. § 31(4) REP	A document certifying payment of the fee must be enclosed. Request for transfer of rights, registration of a licence or a mortgage may also be signed by the authorised Estonian patent attorney if a power of attorney contains permission to that effect. § 41(2) PA

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Finland	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) **- sale:** copy of the dated deed of transfer signed by the proprietor **- merger:** copy or extract from the commercial register **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution): copy of relevant document § 44 PA § 42 PD	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Copy or extract of the licence agreement § 44 PA § 42 PD	No	No
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request by one of the contracting parties Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights or licence agreement **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes	No, but recommended

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 100 for each entry Registering a change of the applicant's/patentee's name, address or patent agent: no fee EUR 100	Transfer of rights, licences, seizure for debt Registration of transfers and licences has declaratory effect. § 44 PA § 42 PD Registration of seizure for debt has legal effect. § 54 PA	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised by the PRH. Only where the PRH has not yet been informed of a transfer under R. 85 EPC is a copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) required.	Documents not drafted in Finnish, Swedish or English must be accompanied by a translation, if so required by the PRH.
MKD 500	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect.	Yes	Documents must be accompanied by a translation in Macedonian.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
France	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) **- sale:** copy of the contract (signed by both parties) for an instrument of private agreement, or (for an authentic instrument) a copy of that instrument (see section 7). Registration may relate only to an extract from the instrument, in which case, failing the signature of the parties on the extract, the applicant sends it to INPI, which returns it to him, at his request, after verification of its conformity. Proof of payment of the prescribed fees must be provided. Art. R. 613-55 Reg. Art. 21 DG Dec. No. 2014-141 **- merger:** copy of the merger agreement (for an instrument of private agreement) or (for an authentic instrument) a copy of that instrument, or an extract from the commercial and companies register showing the amendment. Art. R. 613-56 Reg. **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) **- death** (in the case of transfer on death or by unilateral action): a document evidencing the transfer of title. **- insolvency:** the transfer of the patent is only registered in the event of liquidation of the insolvent's estate on presentation of the document legally establishing the transfer. Art. R. 613-56 Reg. **2. Licences and other rights** For assignment or the grant of a right of exploitation, the constitution or assignment of a lien, see under 1. Art. R. 613-55 Reg.	No (provided the applicant has his residence or place of business in France or another EU or EEA member state; otherwise, appointment of a representative is compulsory)	Yes, in 4 copies

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
EUR 27 per right designated in the request for registration up to a maximum amount of EUR 270 where a request for registration concerns more than 10 rights	Transfers of rights, as well as licences, sub-licences, mortgages, seizure; transfers pursuant to final judgments (such as action for recovery of property). Entry in the register has declaratory effect. However, the act only has effect vis-à-vis third parties from the time of registration.	Yes Entry in the European Patent Register of acts transmitting or amending the rights deriving from a European patent application or a European patent gives such acts effect with regard to third parties.	A copy of the act recording the registration may be sent to the requester if an additional copy of that act was attached to the request. If the act is not drawn up in French, a full translation must be attached (a sworn translation is not compulsory).
Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 EUR 27 per right designated in the request for registration up to a maximum amount of EUR 270 where a request for registration concerns more than 10 rights Fees Ord. of 24.4.08	Art. L. 613-9. PL	Art. L. 614-11. PL	

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Germany	**1. Transfer of rights**		
	(i) by transaction (e.g. sale, merger)	Yes	No, but DPMA forms should be used.
	- sale: evidence in the form of a request for transfer signed by the registered proprietor or his representative and by the successor in title or his representative or a request for transfer signed by the successor in title or his representative, to which is attached a declaration signed by the registered proprietor or his representative to the effect that he agrees to the registration of the successor in title (authorisation of transfer) or to which are attached other documents showing that the transaction has taken place (e.g. an agreement signed by the registered proprietor and the successor in title) § 28(3), (4), (5), (6) DPMAV		
	- consolidation (merger of companies): extract from the register for the principal place of business of the new proprietor of the right		
	(ii) by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)		
	- succession: duplicate of certificate of inheritance, certificate of inheritance limited where appropriate to specific items in the case of foreigners; certified copy of will with a copy of the probate proceedings		
	- insolvency: authorisation by official receiver of transfer (proof of representation in the form of a duplicate or certified copy of the certificate of appointment)		
	§ 15(1) in conjunction with § 30(3) PA	§ 25 PA	§ 28(4) DPMAV
	2. Licences and other rights		
	- Exclusive licence: Written request from the exclusive licensee with authorisation from the patent proprietor or written request from the patent proprietor with authorisation from the exclusive licensee	Yes	No
	§ 15(2) in conjunction with § 30(4) PA	§ 25 PA	
	- Licence of right: Written endorsement from the patent applicant or patent proprietor	Yes	No
	§ 23(1) PA	§ 25 PA	

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
None	Entry in the register has declaratory effect. The registered proprietor is deemed to be the patent holder before the DPMA and the Federal Patents Court.	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Further details are contained in the Richtlinien für die Umschreibung von Schutzrechten und Schutzrechtsanmeldungen in der Patentrolle [...] (Guidelines for the transfer of different kinds of protection of property rights and applications for property rights in the register of patents...) of 15 November 1996, amended as of 1 January 2002 (DPMA: A 9139 - *www.dpma.de/patent/formulare/index.html*). In the case of foreign-language documents drawn up in English, French, Italian or Spanish, the DPMA can require a translation of either the whole document or extracts from it. The translation be certified by a lawyer or patent attorney or prepared by an officially appointed translator. Where documents are drawn up in another language, a translation of the whole document or extracts from it is always required, either certified by a lawyer or patent attorney or prepared by an officially appointed translator.
	§ 30(3) PA		§ 14(3), (4), (5) PO
EUR 25	Licence grant		Entry of licence grant in the register is deleted at request of patent proprietor or licensee (EUR 25 fee). A request from the former must include evidence of consent of the latter (or his successor in title).
No. 313 400 Fees Schedule LPF	§ 30(4) PA		§ 30(4) PA No. 313 500 Fees Schedule LPF
None	Licence of right endorsement		Renewal fees due after receipt of the endorsement are halved.
	§ 23(1) PA		§ 23(1) PA

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Greece	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) **- sale:** Contract of sale **- merger:** Agreement or decision of the competent body of a legal entity. Art. 12 Law No. 1733/87 **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) **- death of an owner:** Certificate of hereditary succession **- company in liquidation:** Court decision or decision of the competent body of a legal entity. (see also section 7) Art. 12 Law No. 1733/87 **2. Licences and other rights** Licence agreement Art. 12 Law No. 1733/87	No, unless the applicant is not in a position to file necessary documents. No	No No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 200	Mention of the legal nature of the transfer or licence Substantive rights only accrue by virtue of registration in the patent register	Yes A certified copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	All foreign documents mentioned should contain an apostille according to the Hague Convention of 5 October 1961 and should be translated into Greek.
Dec. of 10.2.2012 EUR 200 Dec. of 10.2.2012			

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Hungary	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) The relevant public or private document Art. 55(2) PA	Unless an international treaty provides otherwise, foreign applicants whose permanent residence or seat is not in the territory of the EEA must appoint a professional representative who is entitled to act before the HIPO. This professional representative does not have to be a national professional representative but must be domiciled in the EEA. Art. 51(1), (4) PA	No

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
HUF 16 500	Transfer of rights (data concerning the new owner), licences (licensee's name, duration of the contract, exclusivity, limitation on certain claims if applicable), mortgage (name of the mortgagee), the fact that the right to a patent is or the rights conferred by a patent are part of a trust. Requests for recording rights or data in the register must be made in writing. An official or private document providing sufficient evidence must be attached to the request. The HIPO amends the register data concerning the inventor and the share in authorship on the basis of either a unanimous declaration of all inventors recorded in the register and all of the persons making the request or a final court decision attached to the request. Where requests on the same case are mutually exclusive, they are dealt with in order of date of receipt. The patent register authentically attests to the existence of the rights and facts recorded therein, in the absence of proof to the contrary. If their correctness or authenticity is disputed, the burden of proof is on the person doing so. With the exception of mortgage, entry in the register of transfer of rights, the fact that the right to a patent is or the rights conferred by a patent are part of a trust, and licences has declaratory effect. Any patent-related right has effect vis-à-vis a third party acquiring it in good faith and for a consideration only if it has been recorded in the patent register. Any person may have access to the patent register. The register is accessible electronically (online) via the HIPO website. Subject to payment of a fee, any person may ask for a certified copy of the data recorded in the register.	Yes Entry in the register is automatic on payment of a fee (HUF 16 500) and submission of a copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544).	
Art. 53/C(2)(b) PA Art. 16 FeeDecr	Art. 54, 55, 25(2) PA	Art. 55(2) PA Art. 16 FeeDecr	

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.		
Iceland	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Deeds of transfer signed by the patent proprietor or relevant legal decision. A declaration of consent by the transferee is not required. Art. 44 PA Chapter IX PR	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement Art. 44 PA Art. 75, 76 PR	No	No
Ireland	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Certified copy of the relevant document Sect. 85 PA R. 58 PR	No	Yes
	2. Licences and other rights Certified copy of the relevant document Sect. 85 PA R. 58 PR		Yes
Italy	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) - authenticated copy of the public document or the original - or authenticated copy of the authenticated private document (see also section 7) Art. 138, 196 PL	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1. Art. 138 PL	No	No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
			In the event of patent infringement, the holder of a contractual licence may invite the patentee to take appropriate action in order to stop the infringement. If the patentee fails to take action within 30 days of the invitation, the licensee recorded in the patent register may institute proceedings for patent infringement in his own name. Art. 36(2) PA
ISK 6 900 Art. 16(1) Fees Reg. ISK 6 900 Art. 16(1) Fees Reg.	Recording on request of transfer of rights Art. 44 PA Grant of licences may be entered on request. Art. 44 PA	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required. Art. 77 PR	Documents are accepted in Icelandic, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and English.
EUR 50 For each additional patent where the devolution of title is the same as in the first patent: EUR 6 EUR 50	Transfer of rights Sect. 85 PA R. 58 PR Licence of right Sect. 68 PA R. 46 PR	No Sect. 85 PA R. 58 PR	Documents not drafted in English must be accompanied by a verified translation.
EUR 50 EUR 50	Date of submission of the application, identity of the successor in title or of his agent, nature of the rights to which the registration refers	No Art. 138 PL	The application for transfer can be filed on ordinary paper having a revenue stamp (EUR 16) every 4 pages.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Latvia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request to have the transaction recorded, deed of transfer Art. 50, 51 PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	No, but recommended
	2. Licences and other rights Written request to have the transaction recorded, licence agreement Art. 52 PL	Yes, as under 1.	No, but recommended
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland		
Lithuania	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Contract assigning a patent application or patent Art. 42 PL	Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. Art. 14(3) PL	No
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement Art. 45 PL	Yes, as under 1. Art. 14(3) PL	No
Luxembourg	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) - original or certified copy of the substantiating document, or - private agreement between the parties, or joint declaration by the parties confirming the assignment or agreement, or - more rarely, acknowledgement or confirmation of the transfer by the transferor and separate declaration of acceptance or confirmation by the transferee Art. 53 PL Art. 23 Decr.	No Patentees with residence/ place of business within the EU must appoint a national professional representative only if they want to exercise the rights derived from the patent. Art. 83(4) PL	No
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	No	No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 40 per patent Art. 51(2) PL s.2.16 Fees Reg.	Entries in the register have legal effect Art. 51(3) PL	Yes	For supporting documents not drafted in Latvian, a translation will only be requested if their meaning is not clear to the LV Patent Office.
EUR 40 per patent Art. 52(4) PL s.2.16 Fees Reg.	Declaratory effect However, entry in the register has legal effect vis-à-vis third parties. Art. 52(4) PL	Yes	
EUR 115 Fees Law EUR 28 Fees Law	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect.	Yes	Assignments are published in the official bulletin. Documents not drafted in Lithuanian must be accompanied by a translation
EUR 7 per patent EUR 7 per patent mortgaged	Identity of assignee and date of his declaration Entry in the register has legal effect, except in the case of death. Identity of the mortgagee; mortgage term Licence: exclusive or non-exclusive; sub-licence Art. 23 Decr.	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Publication in the Mémorial Documents are also accepted in English and German. Art. 2 Decr.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Malta	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Agreement assigning the ownership, signed by all parties, containing the patent number, date of filing, title of the invention, names, addresses and nationalities of the parties concerned. Art. 31 PA 2000	Yes Art. 60(1), (2) PA 2000	Yes
	2. Licences and other rights A copy of the agreement or an extract of the agreement which show the rights licensed and their extent. R. 36(2) L.N. 117/2002	Yes Art. 60(1), (2) PA 2000	Yes
Monaco	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) **- sale:** Production of a certified copy of the instrument of transfer. This copy must be registered with the Principality's Direction des Services Fiscaux. **- merger:** Production of an extract from the commercial register showing the change. **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) - **death and bankruptcy:** copy of any document evidencing the transfer. Art. 18 PL Art. 37-2 and 37-3 SO No. 1.476	No	Yes
	2. Licences and other rights Filing of a certified copy of the licence or lien Art. 18 PL Art. 37-2 SO No. 1.476	No	Yes

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 58.23 Art. 31(2) PA 2000 EUR 58.23 Art. 35(3) PA 2000	Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 34(3) PA 2000	No	Documents not drafted in Maltese or English must be accompanied by a translation.
EUR 30 per entry EUR 30 per entry EUR 30 per entry	Transfers of rights, as well as licences, seizure and charges The transfer or amendment of rights only has effect vis-à-vis third parties once it has been entered in the special patent register and in so far as this transfer or amendment has been entered in the European Patent Register. Art. 11 SO No. 10.427	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised.	Assignments are published in the Journal de Monaco. Documents not drafted in French must be accompanied by a translation.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Netherlands	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) either the original or a certified copy of the document containing the deed of transfer of title by the proprietor and declaration of acceptance by the assignee Art. 64, 65 PA	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Original or a certified copy of the licence agreement, or an accepted testamentary disposition Art. 56 PA	No	No
Norway	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) There is no requirement to submit supporting documents.	No	No, but use of the form available on NIPO's website is recommended for changes of ownership/mergers.
	2. Licences and other rights **Licence:** There is no requirement to submit supporting documents such as a licensing agreement. **Lien:** Copy or extract of the lien agreement. § 44 PL	No	No, but use of the form available on NIPO's website is recommended for notification of licences and liens.

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EUR 27 Art. 64(1) PA Art. 8(2) PR EUR 27 Art. 56(2) PA Art. 8(2) PR	Any special stipulations made in respect of the transfer Transfer confers substantive rights. Transfer by assignment shall take effect vis-à-vis third parties only after its entry in the register. Art. 64, 65 PA Licence (how created), sub-licence A licence established by an agreement or testamentary disposition shall take effect vis-à-vis third parties only after its entry in the register. Art. 56(2) PA	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Documents are accepted in Dutch, English, French and German.
No **Licence:** No **Lien:** NOK 500 An additional NOK 100 for each patent or patent application the lien is to include in addition to the first. § 42a Fees Reg.	Yes Registration may provide legal protection under certain conditions. See § 44a PL for further information. §§ 44 and 44a PL § 45 PR Yes **Licences and liens:** Registration may provide legal protection under certain conditions. See § 44a PL for further information. §§ 44 and 44a PL § 45 PR	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognized by NIPO. Only where NIPO has not yet been informed of a transfer under R. 85 EPC is a copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) required.	Documents not drafted in Danish, English, Swedish or Norwegian must be accompanied by a translation.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Poland	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request by an interested party; submission of the relevant document Art. 67, 76 § 6 and 229 § 1 IPL **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 67, 76 § 6 and 229 § 1 IPL	Yes, except for persons having their domicile or seat in the EU, a member state of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA) which is party to the EEA Agreement or Switzerland. Art. 236 § 3 IPL	No
Portugal	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written document providing evidence of the transfer Art. 31(1), (2), (6), 30 PA **2. Licences and other rights** Licence contract Art. 30, 32 PA	No Art. 10(1) PA No Art. 10(1) PA	Yes, INPI Form PatMut3 Yes, INPI Form PatMut3

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
PLN 70 Annex 1 item I 21 Fees Reg.	Transfers of rights, licences, other rights *in rem,* entries relating to disputes, seizures, data concerning invalidation or termination of a patent. The transfer of a patent shall take effect vis-à-vis third parties only after its entry in the Patent register. Art. 67 § 3 and 76 § 6 IPL Reg. Registers, chap. 2 The holder of an exclusive licence recorded in the register may, to the same extent as the patent holder, enforce his claims in the event of infringement, unless the licence contract stipulates otherwise. Art. 67 § 3 and 76 § 6 IPL Reg. Registers, chap. 2	No (documents proving transfer must be supplied to the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland)	Documents not drafted in Polish must be accompanied by a translation.
Transfer fee: EUR 106.61 if filed online, EUR 133.26 if filed on paper Fees Res. Licence fee: EUR 90.61 if filed online, EUR 106.61 if filed on paper Compulsory licence fee: EUR 10.67 if filed online, EUR 21.33 if filed on paper Fees Res.	Transfers of rights as well as contractual licences Entry in the register has legal effect and takes effect vis-à-vis third parties. Art. 30(2), (4), 83(3) PA	Yes A copy certified by the EPO (EPO Form 2544) must be produced. Art. 83(3) PA	Assignments are published in the Industrial Property Bulletin. Documents not drafted in Portuguese must be accompanied by a translation. Art. 30(7), 356(1) PA

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Romania	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) **- sale:** request for transfer signed by the old or the new proprietor, either the original or certified copy or extract of the assignment document signed by all parties to the transaction and proof that the fee has been paid **- merger:** request for transfer signed by new proprietor, to which is attached an extract from commercial register **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) request for transfer signed by transferee, to which is attached a document legally establishing the transfer Art. 45 PL R. 85(2), (3), (5) Reg.	Yes	No
	2. Licences and other rights Request for registration of licence or other right signed by interested party, to which is attached an original or certified copy of the agreement or an extract from the relevant parts of the agreement and proof that the fee has been paid. Art. 45 PL R. 85(2), (3), (5) Reg.	Yes	No
San Marino	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written application for entry in the patent register; submission of original or duly certified copy of the instrument concerned (deed of transfer, certificate of inheritance, distraint order). If it is not a public instrument, certified signature of the proprietor of the right.	Yes	No
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.		

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 100 or RON 460 (from 1.1.2019: RON 466), unless transfer of right took place before publication of the mention of grant by the EPO Annex 1.25 Fees Ord.	Transfer of rights and licences Entry in the register has declaratory effect. Art. 45 PL R. 67(11) Reg.	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) and proof of payment of the prescribed fees are required.	Documents are accepted in Romanian, English, French or German or they may be submitted with a translation into one of these languages, unless special circumstances require a translation into Romanian.
EUR 150	Transfer of rights, licences Registration of transfers and licences has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties	No	One original or one duly certified copy of the instrument concerned must be filed; stamp duty and a registration fee are payable. All foreign documents mentioned should contain an "Apostille" according to the Hague Convention of 5 October 1961 and should be translated into Italian. The translation must be certified by a sworn translator.
EUR 150		No	

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Serbia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request accompanied by original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights; proof that the fee has been paid Art. 44, 45 and 48 PL Art. 4 and 5 Rules **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 46 to 48 PL Art. 6 and 9 Rules	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney. Art. 5(1) PL Yes, as under 1. Art. 5(1) PL	No, see section 7 Art. 48 PL
Slovakia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written application, submission of the instrument concerned (e.g. deed of transfer) § 19(2) RPA **2. Licences and other rights** Written application and documents as under 1. §§ 20, 21 RPA	Yes, for natural or legal persons not having their residence or principal place of business in the Slovak Republic The above mandatory representation does not apply to parties who are nationals of a contracting state to the EEA Agreement or have their registered office or a place of business in the territory of such a state; such parties must provide the Slovak Industrial Property Office with an address for correspondence in the territory of the Slovak Republic. Representation by an appointed agent or a patent attorney authorised to practise before the Slovak Industrial Property Office § 79 (2) PA	No

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
Yes Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law Yes Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Transfer of rights, licences, pledges Entry in the register of transfers of rights has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties. Art. 44(3), 47(7) PL Registration of licence contractors has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties. The pledgee acquires possessory lien upon entry in the register. Art. 46(5), 47(7) PL	Yes	The written request must include in particular: - the registration number of the patent or petty patent or patent or petty patent application; - data on the right holder or applicant; and - a statement setting out that registration is sought for a transfer of the patent or petty patent or of the rights arising from the application or specifying the other rights to be registered. Art. 48 PL
EUR 30 per patent

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Slovenia	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) No documentation is needed if a request for change in the register is filed by a person who has been entered in the register as the owner of a right. If the request is filed by another person, that person has to submit a statement that the owner consents to the requested change being entered in the register or, at his choice, any other document providing a legal basis for the requested change to be entered in the register. Art. 108 IPA **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 108 IPA	Yes Art. 129 IPA	No, but recommended
Spain	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) The applicant may attach to the request for transfer any of the following documents: (a) an authentic copy of the contract, or an ordinary copy with the signatures authenticated by a notary or other competent public authority; (b) an extract from the contract certified as true to the original by a notary or other competent public authority; (c) a transfer certificate or document signed by both the holder and the new owner (consisting in forms). If the change in ownership is the result of a merger or is imposed by law or by an administrative ruling or court decision, the request for transfer must be accompanied by certification from the public authority issuing the document, or a copy of the document proving the change, authenticated by a notary or other competent public authority. Art. 82 NPL Art. 77 RD 316 **2. Licences and other rights** Patent applications and patents may be the subject of licences and usufruct. For registration, see under 1. They may also be used as security for personal loans. Such use must be notified to the OEPM. In addition, they may be subject to other rights in rem, option to purchase, seizure, and other legal business or enforcement measures. Same documents as for transfers, mutatis mutandis. Art. 82 and 83 NPL Art. 78, 79 and 80 RD 316	No, if proprietor resides in a country of the EU Art. 175 NPL No, if proprietor resides in a country of the EU Art. 175 NPL	Yes Art. 77 RD 316 Yes Art. 78, 79 and 80 RD 316

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
EUR 40 Art. 1(6.1) Fees Decr.	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transfer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. On request, transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register. Art. 107(1) IPA	No	Supporting documents, when needed, are accepted in Slovenian, English, French and German. In case of doubt, SIPO may ask for a translation. Art. 108 IPA Art. 11, 12 Reg.Rules
EUR 13.24 for each entry (EUR 11.25 in electronic form) Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. Art. 82 RD 316	Establishment and transfer of rights if these acts take place in accordance with the provisions of NPL and RD 316: transfers, licences, etc. Any transfer, licence or other act, whether voluntary or compulsory, only has effect vis-à-vis third parties of good faith when it has been recorded in the patent register. Art. 79 NPL Art. 72 RD 316	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised by OEPM. Art. 156 NPL	Documents not drafted in Spanish must be accompanied by a translation.
EUR 13.24 for each entry (EUR 11.25 in electronic form) Registering a change of the applicant's/patentee's name: EUR 16.38 for each entry (EUR 13.92 in electronic form) Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. Art. 82 RD 316	Same entries and data as for transfers.	Yes A licence recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised by OEPM.	See Art. 82 and 83 NPL with regard to usufruct

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Sweden	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Certified copy or extract of the deed of merger. Otherwise, only at the invitation of SE Patent Office, a dated deed of transfer (original or certified copy) signed by the proprietor. Transfer by operation of law: certified copy of relevant document. § 44 PA § 44 PD	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Certified copy or extract of the licence agreement. § 44 PA § 44 PD	No	No
	3. Adjoining rights, pledging Certified copy or extract of the pledge agreement. § 94 PA § 44 PD	No	No
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Statement from the previous patent proprietor or another confirmatory document. The IPI may request, if this seems indispensable, that the signature be authenticated or that another confirmatory document be submitted such as an extract from the commercial register. Art. 105(2) PO	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Application and documents as under 1. Art. 105(2) PO		

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
SEK 500	Transfer of rights, licences, pledges Registration of transfers and licences has a declaratory effect. § 44 PA § 44 PD	Yes A certified copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Documents are generally accepted in English, French or German.
SEK 500			
SEK 500	Registration of pledge agreement has legal effect. § 95 PA		
No	Transfer of rights, licences, real rights Declaratory effect However, entry in the register has an influence on the legal position of third parties. Art. 33(3), 33(4), 36(3) PA Art. 105 PO	Yes	For documents not drafted in one of the IPI's official languages a translation will only be requested if the documents proving the transfer of rights are not evident.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Turkey	**1. Transfer of rights**		
	(i) by transaction (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) - written request - extract from the commercial register (for merger, transfer of title) - deed of assignment bearing certified signatures of both the assignee and the assignor (for assignment, sale) - proof that the fee has been paid - power of attorney (if necessary) R. 37, 44 IR	Yes	No
	(ii) by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) - written request - succession: certificate of hereditary succession - proof that the fee has been paid - power of attorney (if necessary) R. 38 IR		
	2. Licences and other rights - written request - licence agreement signed both by the proprietor and the licensee; the signatures must be certified. - proof that the fee has been paid - power of attorney (if necessary) R. 35 IR	Yes	No

* Note: Reduced fees for online transactions are indicated in brackets. All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?**	7 **Special features**
(i) merger: TRY 800* (TRY 530*) assignment: TRY 915* (TRY 610*) (ii) succession: TRY 650* (TRY 430*)	Entry in the register has legal effect and takes effect vis-à-vis third parties.	Yes	All documents not drafted in Turkish must be accompanied by a translation.
Fees 2018	Art. 92 DL No. 551 Art. 106 IPL Art. 111 IPLR		
TRY 245* (TRY 160*)			
Fees 2018			

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
United Kingdom	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) To tell us you have sold your patent you need to fill in Patents Form 21. Form 21 is not a replacement for the assignment or other agreement, merely the form that you should use to ask us to record it. For assignments signed on or after 22 December 1999 the form need be signed only by or on behalf of the assignor. For earlier assignments all parties or their representatives should sign. If this is not possible, we will accept other documents as evidence that the assignment has taken place and that any necessary stamp duty has been paid. In most cases a properly completed and signed Form 21 is all that is required, but the comptroller may ask for additional evidence if necessary. Sect. 32, 33 PA R. 47 PR	No, but an address for service in the EEA or Channel Islands should be given for all proceedings. R. 103 PR	Yes, Form 21, one form only irrespective of the number of patents transferred
	2. Licences and other rights Licences and other transactions such as mortgages or granting of security may also be registered on Form 21. As with assignments, a properly completed and signed form is usually all that is needed for registration, but more evidence may be required in some cases.		Yes, Form 21

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features
GBP 50	All additional rights, e.g. mortgages, agreements, licences, sub-licences Registration in the register generally has merely declaratory effect. However, certain rights only accrue by virtue of registration (e.g. under Sect. 33 and 68 PA)	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) may be used to support an application for registration made on UK Form 21. If the EPO Form 2544 has been issued at the EPO in French or German, an English translation of the form will also be required to support an application for registration made on UK Form 21.	Transactions relating to EP (UK) patents are liable to the payment of stamp duty in the UK if the transaction was done before 28 March 2000. Stamp duty may still be payable on transactions after 28 March 2000 if items other than intellectual property are involved. For further information, contact the Assignment section, Tel. +44 1633 81 36 07.
GBP 50			

Validation state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.		
Morocco	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Deed amending ownership of the application or patent or entitlement to exercise the rights attached to it, e.g. assignment, licence, encumbrance or waiver thereof, seizure, validation and lifting of seizure Depending on the case in point, the registration request must be accompanied by - an authenticated original of the private deed recording the change in ownership of the application or patent or in entitlement to exercise the rights attaching to it, or of a certified copy of said deed - a copy of said deed if the applicant wants the original or certified copy returned to him, or of an extract if he wants registration to be limited thereto - a transfer deed in the case of transfer following death - a certified copy of the transfer deed in case of merger, spin-off or takeover. Art. 58 Law No. 17-97 Art. 23 Decr. **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Applicants who do not have a residence or place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative who does	Yes Art. 2 Decr.

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?**	7 **Special features**
MAD 480 per deed (maximum: MAD 12 000) for recording a change of name, address or legal form. MAD 960 per deed (maximum: MAD 24 000) for recording the transfer or deletion of rights. A reduction is available for certain proprietor categories and/or for those using the online procedure.	To be enforceable against third parties, any deed transferring, amending or otherwise affecting rights relating to an application or patent must be recorded in the national patent register held by OMPIC. Entries in the register have declaratory effect, but are enforceable against third parties only as from their date of registration.	No Patents validated in Morocco are governed solely by national law. To be enforceable against third parties, any subsequent transfer must be entered in the national patent register.	Transfer documents for validated patents or applications must be supplied in Arabic or French.
Dec. No. 9/2017	Art. 58 Law No. 17-97	Art. 50.1, 58 Law No. 17-97	

Validation state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Republic of Moldova	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Registration of a contract is requested using a standard application form approved by AGEPI and enclosing the following documents: (1) power of attorney signed by the parties, if the application is filed by representative(s) / authorised representative(s) or agents; (2) the assignment or licensing contract or an extract from it either in the original, signed by both parties, or a copy of the contract or extract authenticated by a notary; (3) the court decision, where the transfer of rights was ordered by a court; (4) the legislation governing the transfer of rights, where rights were transferred by operation of law; (5) copy of the decision to transfer rights made at the general meeting of members, where rights were transferred by a legal entity to a natural person; (6) translation of attached documents into Romanian, if they are submitted in another language. Gov. Dec. No. 612 **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 612	Yes Gov. Dec. No. 612
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.		

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	7 Special features
EUR 200 Gov. Dec. No. 774	Yes Art. 26 Law No. 50/2008	No Patents validated in the Republic of Moldova are governed solely by national law. To be enforceable against third parties, any subsequent transfer must be entered in the national patent register. Art. 26 Law No. 50/2008	Transfer documents for validated patents or applications must be submitted in Romanian

Extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Bosnia and Herzegovina	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights or licence agreement and proof that the fee has been paid Art. 70 PL Art. 33 Pat. Reg. **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Art. 5 PL	Yes Art. 33 Pat. Reg.
Montenegro	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Proof of legal basis for change to be entered in the register (contract or public document), and regular power of attorney if the entry procedure is initiated through a representative Art. 37(1) point 1 Rules Representative's details (name and address for natural persons/name and seat for legal persons), if the procedure for entry of change is initiated by a representative Art. 36(1) point 6 Rules **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 121, 122 and 123 PL Art. 36 Rules	Yes (Register of Representatives at *www.advokatskakomora.me*)	Yes

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?**	7 **Special features**
Spec. Fees: BAM 70 Admin. Fees: BAM 60	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transfer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. Art. 70 PL Art. 33 Pat. Reg.	n/a	Documents not drafted in one of the official languages of Bosnia and Herzegovina must be accompanied by a translation. Assignments are published in the official gazette. Art. 33 Pat. Reg.
Spec. Fees: BAM 100 Admin. Fees: BAM 60			
Yes	(a) Data about requester (first name, surname and address for natural persons, company and seat for legal persons) Art. 36(1) point 3 Rules (b) Indication of nature of change	Yes	-
Tariff No. 141 LAdminFees	Art. 36(2) point 5 Rules		

Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request by the patent proprietor Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights Art. 44 to 50 PL **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP. Art. 195(2) PL	Yes
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights or licence agreement and proof that the fee has been paid Art. 61.a PA Art. 36 PO **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1.	Yes Art. 4 PA	Yes Art. 36(1) PO
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request by one of the contracting parties Original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights or licence agreement Art. 217 PL **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 218, 219, 220 PL	Yes	No

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	7 Special features
ALL 5 000	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 32(2) PL	No	Documents not drafted in Albanian must be accompanied by a translation.
HRK 275 per entry Tar. Np. 8.3 LAdmFees Art. 47.(1) RCh	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transfer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. On request, transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register. Art. 61.a PA	No	Supporting documents must be furnished as an original or as a certified copy. The entered changes will be published in the official gazette. Art. 61.a PA Art. 36(4) PO
MKD 500	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect.	No	Documents must be accompanied by a translation in Macedonian. Assignments are published in the official gazette.

Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Deeds of transfer signed by the patent proprietor Art. 51(2) PL R. 59-66 PR **2. Licences and other rights** Licence agreement A licence contract takes effect after it has been registered with the LV Patent Office. Art. 52 PL	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required. Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL Yes, as under 1.	No, the use of the form is optional.
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Contract assigning a patent application or patent Art. 42 PL **2. Licences and other rights** Licence agreement Art. 45 PL	Yes Legal or natural persons who have no residence, permanent place of business, registered branch or representative office in Lithuania, in the EEA or in an EPC contracting state must appoint a patent attorney who has been entered on the List of Patent Attorneys of Lithuania. Art. 14 PL Yes, as under 1. Art. 14 PL	No

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	7 Special features
EUR 40 per patent EUR 40 per patent	Entries in the register have legal effect.	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised.	Documents are accepted in Latvian, English, French, German or Russian.
EUR 115 Fees Law EUR 28 Fees Law	Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect.	No	Assignments are published in the official bulletin. Documents not drafted in Lithuanian must be accompanied by a translation.

Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	**1. Transfer of rights** **(i) by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) **- sale**: request for transfer signed by the old or the new proprietor, either the original or certified copy or extract of the assignment document signed by all parties to the transaction and proof that the fee has been paid **- merger:** request for transfer signed by new proprietor, to which is attached an extract from commercial register **(ii) by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) request for transfer signed by transferee, to which is attached a document legally establishing the transfer Art. 45 PL	Yes	No
	2. Licences and other rights Request for registration of licence or other right signed by interested party, to which is attached an original or certified copy of the agreement or an extract from the relevant parts of the agreement and proof that the fee has been paid. Art. 45 PL	Yes	No
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Written request accompanied by original or duly certified copy of the official document recording the transfer of rights; proof that the fee has been paid Art. 44, 45 and 48 PL Art. 4 and 5 Rules	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney. Art. 5(1) PL	No, see section 7 Art. 48 PL
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1. Art. 46 to 48 PL Art. 6 and 9 Rules	Yes, as under 1. Art. 5(1) PL	

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 100 or RON 460 (from 1.1.2019: RON 466), unless transfer of right took place before publication of the mention of grant by the EPO Annex 1.25 Fees Ord. EUR 100 or RON 460 (from 1.1.2019: RON 466), unless transfer of right took place before publication of the mention of grant by the EPO. Annex 1.25 Fees Ord.	Transfer of rights and licences Entry in the register has declaratory effect. Art. 45 PL R. 67(11) Reg.	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) and proof of payment of the prescribed fees is required.	Documents are accepted in Romanian, English, French or German or they may be submitted with a translation into one of these languages, unless special circumstances require a translation into Romanian.
Yes Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law Yes Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Transfer of rights, licences, pledges Entry in the register of transfers of rights has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties. Art. 44(3), 47(7) PL Registration of licence contractors has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties. The pledgee acquires possessory lien upon entry in the register. Art. 46(5), 47(7) PL	Yes	The written request must include in particular: - the registration number of the patent or petty patent or patent or petty patent application; - data on the right holder or applicant; and - a statement setting out that registration is sought for a transfer of the patent or petty patent or of the rights arising from the application or specifying the other rights to be registered. Art. 48 PL

Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	**1. Transfer of rights by transaction** (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or **by operation of law** (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) No documentation is needed if a request for change in the register is filed by a person who has been entered in the register as the owner of a right; if the request is filed by another person, that person has to submit a statement that the owner consents to the requested change being entered in the register or, at his choice, any other document providing a legal basis for the requested change to be entered in the register. Art. 108 IPA **2. Licences and other rights** as under 1. Art. 108 IPA	Yes Art. 129 IPA	No, but recommended

4 **Special fee payable?**	5 **Entries and data recorded in the register**	6 **Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?**	7 **Special features**
EUR 40	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transfer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. On request, transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register.	No	Supporting documents, when needed, are accepted in Slovenian, English, French and German. In case of doubt, SIPO may ask for a translation.
Art. 1(6.1) Fees Decr.	Art. 107(1) IPA		Art. 108 IPA Art. 11, 12 Reg.Rules

Miscellaneous X.

The following table sets out information on

(a) the enactment of national provisions on the question of double protection under Article 139(3) EPC

(b) the territorial field of application of the EPC, pursuant to Article 168(1) EPC

(a) Simultaneous protection

Under Article 139(3) EPC, any contracting state may prescribe whether and on what terms an invention disclosed in both a European patent application or patent and a national application or patent having the same date of filing or, where priority is claimed, the same date of priority, may be protected simultaneously by both applications or patents.

The provisions enacted for the purposes of Article 139(3) EPC or, for the extension and validation states, in connection with any related national law are shown in section 1 of the table.

(b) Territorial field of application

Under Article 168(1) any contracting state may declare in its instrument of ratification or accession, or may inform the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany by written notification any time thereafter, that the Convention shall be applicable to one or more of the territories for the external relations of which it is responsible. European patents granted for that contracting state also have effect in the territories for which such a declaration has taken effect.

The current situation with regard to the territorial field of application of the EPC allowed by its various contracting states or to that of the extension and validation states' related national legislation is shown in section 2 of the table.

(c) Authorities having jurisdiction under Article 1(2) Protocol on Recognition

The following contracting states have notified the EPO of authorities which have a jurisdiction conferred to decide claims under Article 1(2) Protocol on Recognition:

Austria: Austrian Patent Office (Austrian "Patentblatt" 1993, 154);

United Kingdom: The Comptroller General of Patents Designs and Trade Marks (Sections 12 and 82 Patents Act 1977).

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Albania	No In the case of an invention disclosed in both a national patent and a European patent designating the Republic of Albania – both patents having the same date of filing or, when priority is claimed, the same date of priority, and belonging to the same person or his successor in title – the national patent ceases to have effect, to the extent that it protects the same invention, from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 87/e PL	Territory of the Republic of Albania
Austria	Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Austria
Belgium	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 5(1) Law of 21.4.07 Art. 7(1) Law of 8.7.77 Art. XI.86 ELC	Territory of the Kingdom of Belgium
Bulgaria	No In the case of an invention disclosed in both a national patent and a European patent designating the Republic of Bulgaria – both patents having the same date of filing or, when priority is claimed, the same date of priority, and belonging to the same person or his successor in title – the national patent will cease to have effect. Art. 72g(1) PL	Territory of the Republic of Bulgaria
Croatia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Simultaneous protection for utility models is allowed. Art. 108.h PA	Territory of the Republic of Croatia
Cyprus	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Sect. 71(1), (2) PL	Territory of the Republic of Cyprus

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Czech Republic	No; to the extent that the national patent protects the same invention with the same right to priority for the same patentee or his successor in title, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Simultaneous protection by utility model is allowed. § 35e PA	Territory of the Czech Republic
Denmark	Simultaneous protection is not excluded. Applies equally to utility models (a separate request is to be made).	Territory of the Kingdom of Denmark with the exception of Greenland and the Faroe Islands
Estonia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Simultaneous protection for utility models is allowed. § 12(1) and (3) IA	Territory of the Republic of Estonia
Finland	Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Finland
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	No Art. 126 PL	Territory of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
France	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect once the European patent is definitively granted. Art. L. 614-13 PL	Territory of the French Republic including the overseas territories (in particular, French Polynesia and New Caledonia) Art. L. 811-1 PL
Germany	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Simultaneous protection for utility models is allowed. Art. II § 8(1) LIPC	Territory of the Federal Republic of Germany

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Greece	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent/utility model ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 22(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 19(6) Law No. 1733/87	Territory of the Hellenic Republic Law No. 1607/86
Hungary	Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of Hungary
Iceland	Simultaneous protection is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Iceland
Ireland	To the extent that it protects the same invention, the Controller may revoke the national patent after the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Sect. 60 PA	Territory of Ireland
Italy	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent/utility model ceases to have effect. Art. 59 PL	Territory of the Italian Republic
Latvia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 75 PL	Territory of the Republic of Latvia
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	
Lithuania	No Art. 83 PL	Territory of the Republic of Lithuania
Luxembourg	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Art. 94 PL	Territory of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Malta	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 11 L.N. 99/2007	Territory of the Republic of Malta
Monaco	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Art. 9 SO 10.427	Territory of the Principality of Monaco
Netherlands	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Art. 77 PA	Territory of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Europe, as of 4 April 2007 applicable also to Curaçao, Sint Maarten and the Dutch Caribbean (Bonaire, Sint Eustatius and Saba) Art. 49(1), 53(4), 55, 57(2), 73(1), 74 PA
Norway	Simultaneous protection by national patents is not excluded.	Territory of the Kingdom of Norway
Poland	Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Poland

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Portugal	No; under Article 88(1) PA, to the extent that it protects the same invention, a national patent for an invention for which a European patent valid in Portugal has been granted with the same date of filing or priority either to the same inventor or with his consent, lapses: (a) on expiry of the time limit for opposing the European patent, if no opposition has been filed; or (b) on closure of the opposition proceedings, if the European patent has been maintained. A national patent granted after the applicable date under (a) or (b) above is deemed void and a notice to that effect is published in the Industrial Property Bulletin. The above provisions apply irrespective of any subsequent extinction or annulment of the European patent. For utility models, Article 137(1)(g) PA provides that, in addition to the grounds for refusal under Article 24 PA, a utility model is to be refused if it concerns an invention for which a European patent valid in Portugal has been granted either to the same inventor or with his consent. According to Article 137(4), the ground for refusal under paragraph (1)(g) also leads to expiry of a utility model by analogous application of Article 88 PA. Art. 88 PA	Territory of Portugal
Romania	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention with the same right to priority for the same patentee or his successor in title, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 10 AccEPCLaw	Territory of Romania
San Marino	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which: (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 10(1) Decree Law No. 76/2009	Territory of the Republic of San Marino
Serbia	No In the case of an invention disclosed in both a national patent and a European patent designating the Republic of Serbia - both patents having the same date of filing or, when priority is claimed, the same date of priority, and belonging to the same person or his successor in title - the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 152 PL	Territory of the Republic of Serbia

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Slovakia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. § 64 PA	Territory of the Slovak Republic
Slovenia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 31 IPA	Territory of the Republic of Slovenia
Spain	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. (c) the national patent is granted if such date falls after that provided for in (a) or (b). Art. 160 NPL	Territory of the Kingdom of Spain
Sweden	Simultaneous protection by national patents is not excluded.	Territory of the Kingdom of Sweden
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect. Art. 125 PA	Territory of the Swiss Confederation and of the Principality of Liechtenstein Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
Turkey	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. R. 21 RegEPC	Territory of the Republic of Turkey
United Kingdom	To the extent that it protects the same invention, the comptroller may revoke the national patent after the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Sect. 73 PA	Territory of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of the Isle of Man* Sect. 131, 132 PA

* For information on the registrability of European patents (UK) in overseas states or territories, see the information in OJ EPO 2009, 546 and OJ EPO 2018, A97.

Validation state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
Cambodia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.	
Morocco	The coexistence of a national patent and a validated patent is not excluded.	Territory of the Kingdom of Morocco
Republic of Moldova	The co-existence of a national patent and a validated European patent is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Moldova
Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press. Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.	

Extension state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
Bosnia and Herzegovina	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 8 Ext. Agr. Annex	Territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Montenegro	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 148 PL	Territory of Montenegro

Former extension state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
Albania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 85 PL	Territory of the Republic of Albania
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 106 PA	Territory of the Republic of Croatia
Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 8 Ext. Reg.	Territory of the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 19(7) PL	Territory of the Republic of Latvia

Former extension state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	No Art. 74 PL	Territory of the Republic of Lithuania
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. VIII GO	Territory of Romania
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 127 PL Ext.	Territory of the Republic of Serbia
Slovenia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	No; to the extent that the extended European patent protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which (a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or (b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained. Art. 8 Ext. Decr.	Territory of the Republic of Slovenia