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Introduction

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)

- 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 North 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), in Serbia (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 October 2010) and in Montenegro (termination of the extension agreement with effect from 1 October 2022).

Abbreviations B.

Apprev	/iations		Ь
(See also Ta	able I, section 4)		
AGEPI	State Agency on Intellectual Property	LT	Lithuania
	(Rep. of Moldova)	LTPI	Lois et traités de propriété industrielle
AL	Albania	LU	Luxembourg
ALL	Albanian lek	LV	Latvia
AT	Austria	MA	Morocco
BA	Bosnia and Herzegovina	MAD	Moroccan dirham
BAM	Bosnian convertible mark	MC	Monaco
BE	Belgium	MD	Republic of Moldova
BG	Bulgaria	ME	Montenegro
BGBI.	Bundesgesetzblatt	MK	North Macedonia
BGN	Bulgarian lev	MKD	Macedonian denar
BI.f.PMZ	Blatt für Patent-, Muster- und	MT	Malta
	Zeichenwesen	n/a	not applicable
BOE	Boletín oficial del Estado	NIPO	Norwegian Industrial Property Office
BOPI	Bulletin officiel de la propriété industrielle -	NL	Netherlands
011	Brevets d'invention	NN	Narodne Novine (Croatia)
CH	Switzerland	NO	Norway
CHF	Swiss franc	NOK	Norwegian krone
CY	Cyprus	NPO	Netherlands Patent Office
CZ CZK	Czech Republic Czech koruna	OBI	(Octrooicentrum Nederland)
DE		ОВІ	Organismos Biomichanikis Idioktisias
DK	Germany Denmark	OEPM	(Greek Industrial Property Organisation) Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas
DKK	Danish krone	OLFIVI	(Spain)
DKPTO	Danish Patent and Trademark Office	OJ EPO	Official Journal of the European Patent
DPMA	German Patent and Trademark Office	03 LI 0	Office
EDBI	Eidiko Deltio Biomichanikis Idioktisias	OMPIC	Moroccan Industrial and Commercial
LDDI	(Greek Industrial Property Bulletin)	OWII 10	Property Office
EE	Estonia	OPRI	Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle
EEA	European Economic Area	Orita	(Belgium)
EP	European	OSIM	State Office for Inventions and
EPC	European Patent Convention		Trademarks (Romania)
EPO	European Patent Office	PIBD	Propriété industrielle - Bulletin
ES	Spain		documentaire
EU	European Union	PL	Poland
EUR	Euro	PLN	Polish Zloty
ФЕК	Fyllo Efimeridos tis Kyberniseos	PPO	Patent Office of the Republic of Poland
	(Greek Law Gazette)	PRH	Patentti- ja rekisterihallitus (Finland)
FI	Finland	PRV	Patent- och registreringsverket (Swedish
FR	France		Intellectual Property Office)
GBP	Pound sterling	PT	Portugal
GDIP	General Directorate of Industrial Property	RO	Romania
	(Albania)	RON	New Romanian leu
GR	Greece	RS	Serbia
GRUR Int.	Gewerblicher Rechtsschutz und	RSD	Serbian dinar
	Urheberrecht, Internationaler Teil	SäädKok	Suomen Säädöskokoelma
G.U.	Gazzetta Ufficiale	SE	Sweden
HIPO	Hungarian Intellectual Property Office	SEK	Swedish krona
HR	Croatia	SFS	Svensk författningssamling
HRK	Croatian kuna	SG	State Gazette (Bulgaria)
HU	Hungary	SI	Slovenia
HUF	Hungarian forint	S.I.	Statutory Instruments
IE	Ireland	SIPO	Slovenian Intellectual Property Office
INPI	Institut national de la propriété industrielle	SK	Slovakia
INIDI	(France)	SI. list CG	Official Journal of Montenegro
INPI	Instituto Nacional da Propriedade	SI. list RCG	•
ID	Industrial (Portugal)	01 1:-4 000	Montenegro
IP.	Industrial Property	SI. list SCG	
IPI	Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual	CM	and Montenegro
IDI T	Property	SM	San Marino
IPLT IPO	Industrial Property - Laws and Treaties	SOIP	State Office of Industrial Property
IPOI	Intellectual Property Office (UK) Intellectual Property Office of Ireland	SR	(North Macedonia)
IPPO	Industrial Property Protection Office	SK	Systematische Rechtssammlung (Switzerland)
IPRD		Stb	Staatsblad
יו ועט	Industrial Property Registrations Directorate (Malta)	TR	Türkiye
IS	Iceland	TRY	Turkiye Turkish lira
ISIPO	Iceland Icelandic Intellectual Property Office	UIBM	Ufficio Italiano Brevetti e Marchi (Italian
ISK	Iceland króna	ואוטוט	Patent and Trademark Office)
IT	Italy	UK	United Kingdom
J.M.	Journal de Monaco	USBM	Ufficio di Stato Brevetti e Marchi
JORF	Journal officiel de la République Française		(San Marino)
LGBI.	Liechtensteinisches Landesgesetzblatt	USD	US Dollar
LI	Liechtenstein		

National legal bases

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.

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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	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)	BGBI 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 Coopera- tion Treaty (Introductory Law on Patent Treaties)]		IPLT AT 2-002 (English, French)	ILPT

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	2. Patentgesetz 1970	BGBI 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. 151/2005; I Nr. 151/2005; I Nr. 151/2005; I Nr. 126/2009; I Nr. 135/2009; I Nr. 126/2013; I Nr. 71/2016; I Nr. 124/2017; I Nr. 124/2017; I Nr. 37/2018; I Nr. 37/2018; I Nr. 61/2022			
	[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) Verordnung der Präsidentin des Patentamtes über die Verfahren und die Publikationen im Bereich des Patentamtes (Patentamtsverordnung 2019 - PAV)	PBI. 2018, Nr. 12, Anhang PBI. 2018, Nr. 12, Anhang, idF PBI. 2020, Nr. S 2			
	[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, semiconductor protection, trademark and design procedures (Patent Office Regulation)] [Regulation of the President of the Patent Office on the		-	POR	
	procedures and publications of the Patent Office (Patent Office Regulation 2019)]				
	4. Bundesgesetz über die im Bereich des Patentamtes zu zahlenden Gebühren und Entgelte (Patentamtsgebührengesetz – PAG) in der Fassung VO über die Valorisierung der festen Gebührensätze des Patentamtsgebührengesetzes (PAG-ValV 2014)	BGBI 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 und I Nr. 89/2018 idF PBI. 2014, Nr. 4			
	[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	

Contracting state Belgium	National provisions 1. Loi du 21 avril 2007 portant diverses dispositions relatives à la procédure de dépôt des demandes de brevet européen	Source	Translation published in (language)	Abbreviations used in this
Belgium				synopsis
	et aux effets de ces demandes et des brevets européens en Belgique, modifiée en dernier lieu par la Loi du 19 décembre 2017	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, as last amended by the law of 19 December 2017]		-	Law of 21.4.07
	Loi du 8 juillet 1977 portant approbation des actes internationaux suivants :	Moniteur belge du 30.9.77 et		
	1° Convention sur l'unification de certains éléments du droit des brevets d'invention, faite à Strasbourg le 27 novembre 1963 ;	du 9.3.85		
	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 en dernier lieu par la Loi du 15 avril 2018			
	[2. Law of 8 July 1977 adopting the following international acts:		BI.f.PMZ 1978, 276 (German)	Law of 8.7.77
	Convention on the Unification of Certain Points of Substantive Law on Patents for Invention, done at Strasbourg on 27 November 1963		IPLT BE 2-001 (English)	
	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 last amended by the law of 15 April 2018]			
	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, modifié en dernier lieu par la Loi du 21 avril 2016	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, as last amended by the law of 21 April 2016]		-	-

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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, modifié en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 21 septembre 2020	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, as last amended by Royal Decree of 21 September 2020]		-	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 en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 21 septembre 2020	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 last amended by Royal Decree of 21 September 2020]		IPLT BE 2-002 (English) BI.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 en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 30 septembre 2020	Moniteur belge du 6.12.86		
	[7. Royal Decree of 2 December 1986 on patent applications and the grant and renewal of patents, as last amended by Royal Decree of 30 September 2020]		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 en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 12 juillet 2019	Moniteur belge du 23.12.86		
	[8. Royal Decree of 18 December 1986 concerning fees and supplementary fees payable in respect of patents, as last amended by Royal Decree of 12 July 2019]		-	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, modifiée en dernier lieu par la Loi du 26 octobre 2015	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, as last amended by the law of 26 October 2015]		-	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, modifié en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 21 septembre 2020	Moniteur belge du 22.5.2015		
	[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, as last amended by Royal Decree of 21 September 2020]		-	RD of 12.5.15
	14. Loi du 29 juin 2016 portant dispositions diverses en matière d'Économie, modifiée en dernier lieu par la Loi du 18 avril 2017	Moniteur belge du 6.7.2016		
	[14. Law of 29 June 2016 on miscellaneous provisions of economic law, as last amended by the law of 18 April 2017]		-	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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	16. Loi du 23 mars 2019 portant assentiment aux actes internationaux suivants en matière de propriété intellectuelle :	Moniteur belge du 21.6.2019				
	1° La Convention internationale pour la protection des obtentions végétales du 2 décembre 1961, révisée à Genève le 10 novembre 1972, le 23 octobre 1978 et le 19 mars 1991;					
	2° L'Accord sur l'application de l'article 65 de la Convention sur la délivrance de brevets européens, fait à Londres le 17 octobre 2000					
	[16. Law of 23 March 2019 assenting to the following international treaties on intellectual property:		-	Law of 23.3.19		
	1. International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants of 2 December 1961, as revised at Geneva on 10 November 1972, 23 October 1978 and 19 March 1991;					
	2. London Agreement of 17 October 2000 on the application of Article 65 EPC]					
	17. Arrêté royal du 21 septembre 2020 relatif à la délivrance, par l'Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle, de documents et d'informations en matière de propriété industrielle, modifié en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 17 novembre 2021	Moniteur belge du 5.10.2020				
	[17. Royal Decree of 21 September 2020 on the issue by the Intellectual Property Office of documents and information relating to intellectual property, as last amended by Royal Decree of 17 November 2021]		-	RD of 21.9.20		
	18. Arrêté royal du 30 septembre 2020 relatif à la représentation en matière de brevets, modifié en dernier lieu par l'arrêté royal du 30 mai 2021	Moniteur belge du 4.11.2020				
	[18. Royal Decree of 30 September 2020 on representation in patent matters, as last amended by Royal Decree of 30 May 2021]		-	RD of 30.9.20		
	19. Loi du 25 septembre 2022 portant insertion dans le livre XI du Code de droit économique et dans le Code judiciaire de diverses dispositions en matière de propriété intellectuelle	Moniteur belge du 24.10.2022				

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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., изменен и допълнен ДВ. бр.98 от 13.12.2019г., изменен и допълнен ДВ. бр.92 от 27.10 2020 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, 98/13.12.2019, 92/27.10.2020		
	[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, Amended and supplemented by SG No. 98/13.12.2019, Amended and supplemented by SG No. 92/27.10.2020]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at https://www.bpo.bg /en/obekti/patenti- za-izobreteniya/ pipm- zakonodatelstvo (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]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at https://www.bpo.bg /en/obekti/patenti- za-izobreteniya/ pipm- zakonodatelstvo (Bulgarian)	-

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3. 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., изменена и допълнена ДВ. бр.36/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена ДВ. бр.18/02.03.2021	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, 36/14.04.2020, 18/02.03.2021		
[3. 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. 91/19.11.2005, amended by SG No. 35/27.4.2007, 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, amended and supplemented by SG No. 36/14.04.2020, amended and supplemented by SG No. 18/02.03.2021]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at https://www.bpo.bg /en/tarifi (English)	Decr. Fees
4. 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		
[4. 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]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at https://www.bpo.bg /bg/obekti/patenti- za-izobreteniya/ pipm- zakonodatelstvo (Bulgarian)	-
5. 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		
[5. 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]		Bulgarian Patent Office website at https://www.bpo.bg /bg/obekti/patenti- za-izobreteniya/ pipm- zakonodatelstvo (Bulgarian)	-
1. Zakon o patentu	Narodne Novine NN 16/20		
[1. Patent Act]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: https://www.dziv.hr/ en/ip-legislation/ national-legislation/ patents/	PA
	3. 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. 9.17/17.12.2002, 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. 99/12.12.2017 г., изменена и допълнена ДВ бр. 99/12.12.2017 г., изменена и допълнена ДВ бр. 36/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена ДВ. бр. 30/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена ДВ. бр. 18/02.03.2021 [3. 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. 91/19.11.2005, amended by SG No. 35/27.4.2007, amended by SG No. 17/17.12.2002, amended by SG No. 91/19.11.2005, amended and supplemented by SG No. 99/12.12.2017, amended and supplemented by SG No. 36/14.04.2020, amended and supplemented by SG No. 38/02.03.2021] 4. Наредба за оформяне, подаване и експертиза на заявки за патенти, приета с постановление на Министерския съвет № 55 от 9.3/28.3.2008 г. [4. 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] 5. 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. [5. Regulation on disputes under the law governing patents and utility model re	3. 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. 1717.17.12.2002, изменена ДВ бр. 114/30.12.1999, 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 ДВ бр. 36/314.04.2011 г., изменена дв. бр. 36/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена и допълнена дв. бр. 36/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена и допълнена дв. бр. 36/14.04.2020, изменена и допълнена и допълнена дв. бр. 36/14.04.2020, изменена и у бр.	National provisions Source Translation published in

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	2. Pravilnik o patentu	NN 55/20		
	[2. Patent Ordinance]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: https://www.dziv.hr/ en/ip-legislation/ national-legislation/ patents/	PO
	3. Zakon o naknadama u području intelektualnog vlasništva	NN 66/21		
	[3. Act on the fees in the field of intellectual property]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: https://www.dziv.hr/ en/ip-legislation/ national-legislation/ patents/	AFees
	4. Uredba o naknadama za postupke u području intelektualnog vlasništva i stručne usluge Državnog zavoda za intelektualno vlasništvo	NN 119/21		
	[4. Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: www.dziv.hr/en/ip- legislation/national- legislation/patents	RFees
	Sporazum Vlade Republike Hrvatske i Europske patentne organizacije o suradnji na području patenata (Sporazum o suradnji i proširenju)	NN - IA. 14/03		
	[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 47/09, 110/21		
	[6. 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) BI.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

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Czech Republic	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. 261/2021			
	[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.gov.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.gov.cz (English)	-	
	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.gov.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			
	[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.gov.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	
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	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.gov.cz (English)	DP
Denmark	1. Patentloven, lovbekendtgørelse nr. 90 af 29. januar 2019	LBK nr 90 af 29/01/2019, https://www.ret sinformation.dk/ eli/lta/2019/90		
	[1. Consolidated Patents Act No. 90 of 29 January 2019]		WIPO website at https://www.wipo.in t/wipolex/en/text/546268 (English)	PA
	Bekendtgørelse om patenter og supplerende beskyttelsescertifikater nr. 2111 af 24. november 2021	BEK nr 2111 af 24/11/2021, https://www.ret sinformation.dk/ eli/lta/2021/ 2111		
	[2. Order concerning Patents and Supplementary Protection Certificates: No 2111 of 24 November 2021.]		WIPO website, at https://www.wipo.in t/wipolex/en/text/584476 (English)	РО
	3. Bekendtgørelse om ændring af reglerne om konsumption i patentloven m. v. nr. 238 af 30. marts 1994	BEK nr 238 af 30/03/1994, https://www.ret sinformation.dk/ eli/lta/1994/238		
	[3. Order No. 238 of 30 March 1994 amending the Provisions about Exhaustion of Rights in the Patents Act, etc.]		No translation available.	
	4. Lov om hemmelige patenter, lovbekendtgørelse nr. 107 af 24. januar 2012	LBK nr 107 af 24/01/2012, https://www.ret sinformation.dk/ eli/lta/2012/107		
	[4. Consolidated Secret Patents Act No. 107 of 24 January 2012]		WIPO website, at https://www.wipo.in t/wipolex/en/text/546372 (English)	Law No. 107/2012
Estonia	Patendiseadus, vastu võetud 16. märtsil 1994, viimati muudetud 20. veebruaril 2019	RT I 1994, 25, 406 RT I, 19.3.2019, 5		
	[1. Patent Act, passed on 16 March 1994, as last amended on 20 February 2019]		https://www.riigiteat aja.ee/en/eli/ 511112013016/ consolide/current (English)	PA

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	Riigilõivuseadus, vastu võetud 10. detsembril 2014, viimati muudetud 7. detsembril 2022	RT I, 30.12.2014, 1 RT I, 03.01.2022, 2		
	[2. State Fees Act, passed on 10 December 2014, as last amended on 07 December 2022]		https://www.riigiteat aja.ee/en/eli/ 511022015002/ consolide/current (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, 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]		https://www.riigiteat aja.ee/en/eli/ 504112013001/ consolide/current (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
	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	RT I, 10.1.2012, 3 RT I, 31.5.2013, 2		
	[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]		-	REP

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Finland	1. Patenttilaki 15.12.1967/550, muutettu viimeksi lailla nro 717/2016 - 25.8.2016	SäädKok 550/1967 653/1967 575/1971 407/1980 387/1985 801/1991 577/1992 1034/1992 1034/1992 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 1096/2011 101/2013 23/2016 (pas encore en vigueur) 717/2016		
	[1. Patents Act No. 550/67 of 15 December 1967, as last amended by Act No. 717/2016 of 25 August 2016]		PRH website at www.prh.fi (English) www.finlex.fi (Consolidated version in Finnish and Swedish)	PA
	2. Patenttiasetus 26.9.1980/669, muutettu viimeksi asetuksella nro 580/2013 – 18.7.2013	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		
	[2. Patents Decree No. 669/80 of 26 September 1980, as last amended by Decree No. 580/2013 of 18 July 2013]		PRH website at www.prh.fi (English) www.finlex.fi (Consolidated version in Finnish and Swedish)	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]		www.finlex.fi (Consolidated version in Finnish and Swedish)	Defence inventions	
	4. Patenttimääräykset 1.6.2022	-			
	[4. Patent Office Regulations of 1 June 2022]		PRH website at www.prh.fi (English and Swedish)	POR	
	5. Työ- ja elinkeinoministeriön asetus Patentti- ja rekisterihallituksen maksullisista suoritteista vuosina 2022 ja 2023 2.12.2021/1057	SäädKok 1057/2021			
	[5. Decree No. 1057 of 2 December 2021 of the Ministry of Employment and Economy on the fees chargeable by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office]		www.prh.fi (Finnish and Swedish)	Fees Decr.	
France	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 tel que modifié par l'arrêté du 6 mars 2020	JORF du 26.4.2008 10.9.2008 13.6.2015 8.3.2020			
	[3. Order of 24 April 2008 on the procedural fees of the "Institut national de la propriété industrielle", as amended by order of 6 March 2020]		-	Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 (as amended 6.3.20)	
	4. Décision 2020-36 du 1 ^{er} avril 2020 relative aux modalités de paiement des annuités de brevet, de certificat d'utilité et de certificat complémentaire de protection	www.inpi.fr https://www.inpi .fr/sites/default/ files/ decision_2020- 36_modalites_d e_paiement_de s_annuites_avri I_2020.pdf			
	[4. Decision No. 2020-36 of 1 April 2020 on the procedure for electronic payment of renewal fees for patents, utility model certificates and supplementary protection certificates]		-	DG Dec. No. 2020-36	

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	5. 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, version consolidée au 1er septembre 2020.	www.inpi.fr https://www.inpi.f r/sites/default/ files/ decision_eolfversion_consoli dee_au_1er_sep tembre_2020.pdf		
	[5. 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]		-	DG Dec. No. 2015-73 (cons.)
	6. Décision n° 2018-156 du 8 novembre 2018 relative aux modalités de dépôt des demandes de brevets et des procédures et échanges subséquents	www.inpi.fr https://www.inpi .fr/sites/default/ files/decision- 2018-156.pdf		
	[6. Decision No. 2018-156 of 8 November 2018 on the procedure for filing patent applications and on subsequent proceedings and submissions]		-	DG Dec. No. 2018-156
	7. Décision n° 2017-146 du 9 octobre 2017 relative aux modalités de dépôt des demandes d'inscription au registre national d'une rectification ou d'un acte affectant la propriété ou la jouissance d'un dépôt, version consolidée au 12 juillet 2021	www.inpi.fr https://www.inpi .fr/sites/default/ files/ decision_2017- 146_inscription _electronique_ obligatoire_oct_ 17version_conso lidee_au_12_jui llet_2021.pdf		
	[7. Decision No. 2017-146 of 9 October 2017 on the procedure for filing requests for entry in the national register of a correction or measure relating to ownership or enjoyment of a filed application (consolidated version of 12 July 2021)]		_	DG Dec. No. 2017-146 (cons

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Germany	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 1 des Gesetzes vom 20. August 2021	www.gesetze-im-internet.de BGBI 1976 649; 1979 1269; 1986 1446; 1991 1354; 1993 366; 1998 1827; 2001 3656; 2003 2470; 2004 390; 2007 2166; 2008 1191; 2013 3830; 2015 1474; 2017 2541 2021 3914		
	[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 20 August 2021]		IPLT DE 2-001 (English, French)	LIPC
	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	BGBI 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

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	3. Patentgesetz in der Fassung der Bekanntmachung vom 16. Dezember 1980, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 1 des Gesetzes vom 30. August 2021	BGBI 1981 1; 1986 1446; 1986 2326; 1990 422; 1991 1 1354; 1992 727; 1993 366; 1994 2278; 1994 3082; 1996 1546; 1998 1827; 1998 2030; 1999 2598; 2001 1206; 2001 1887; 2001 3138; 2001 3656; 2002 2681; 2002 2681; 2002 2681; 2002 2737; 2004 390; 2004 718; 2004 3232; 2005 146; 2005 2570; 2006 1318; ber. 2006 2737; 2007 2166; 2007 2614; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2007 2840; 2013 3786; 2013 3799; 2013 3830; 2015 1474; 2015 2092; 2015 2178; 2016 558; 2017 1121; 2017 2541; 2017 3346; 2011 4074		
	[3. Consolidated Patent Law as published on 16 December 1980, last amended by Article 4 of the Law of 30 August 2021]		www.gesetze-im-internet.de/ englisch_patg/ index.html (English)	PA

National provisions Gesetz über die Kosten des Deutschen Patent- und larkenamts und des Bundespatentgerichts (Patentkostenesetz) vom 13. Dezember 2001, zuletzt geändert durch rtikel 2 des Gesetzes vom 30. August 2021	2 Source BGBI 2001 3656; 2002 2681; 2003 2470; 2004 390; 2004 718; 2004 3232; 2006 1318; ber. 2006 2737; 2007 2166; 2008 1191; 2009 2446; 2009 2521; 2013 3799; 2013 3830; 2015 1474;	3 Translation published in (language)	4 Abbreviations used in this synopsis
larkenamts und des Bundespatentgerichts (Patentkosten- esetz) vom 13. Dezember 2001, zuletzt geändert durch	2001 3656; 2002 2681; 2003 2470; 2004 390; 2004 718; 2004 3232; 2006 1318; ber. 2006 2737; 2007 2166; 2008 1191; 2009 2446; 2009 2521; 2013 3799; 2013 3830;		
	2016 558; 2018 2357 2021 4074		
1. Law concerning the Costs of the German Patent and irade Mark Office and of the Federal Patents Court (Patent Costs Law) of 13 December 2001, last amended by Article 3 of the Law of 11 December 2018]		excerpt, DPMA A9514.1/5.22 www.dpma.de/ english/our_office/ law/index.html (English)	LPF
Gesetz zu der Vereinbarung vom 21. Dezember 1989 über demeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom 1. Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der edingungen für das Inkrafttreten der Vereinbarung über demeinschaftspatente sowie zur Änderung patentrechtlicher orschriften (Zweites Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent) om 20. Dezember 1991, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 bs. 4 des Gesetzes zur Modernisierung von Verfahren im atentanwaltlichen Berufsrecht vom 14. August 2009	BGBI 1991 II 1354; 2007 I 2166 i.V.m. 2009 I 2827		
5. Law on the Agreement relating to Community Patents of 1 December 1989 and concerning the Protocol on a ossible modification of the conditions of entry into force of the Agreement relating to Community patents of 1 December 1989 and amending certain provisions of patent aw (Second Law on the Community Patent) of 20 December 1991, last amended by Article 2(4) of the law of 14 August 1009 modernising procedures under the law governing the 11 at 11 at 12 at 12 at 12 at 13 at 14 at 14 at 15.		-	2. CPL
. Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche uropäischer Patentanmeldungen vom 18. Dezember 1978, uletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 der Verordnung vom 2. Dezember 2018	BGBI 1978 II 1469; 1993 II 1989; 2011 II 738; 2018 II 2446		
5. Regulation on the translations of the claims of European atent applications of 18 December 1978, last amended by rticle 2 of the Regulation of 12 December 2018]		-	Publ. Reg.
7.0 f . i i 1 e i i 0 o b a . i i 1 o i 1 i 1 i 1 i 1 i 1 i 1 i 1 i 1	Gesetz zu der Vereinbarung vom 21. Dezember 1989 über emeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom . Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der edingungen für das Inkrafttreten der Vereinbarung über emeinschaftspatente sowie zur Änderung patentrechtlicher orschriften (Zweites Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent) im 20. Dezember 1991, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 is. 4 des Gesetzes zur Modernisierung von Verfahren im intentanwaltlichen Berufsrecht vom 14. August 2009 Law on the Agreement relating to Community Patents of a December 1989 and concerning the Protocol on a issible modification of the conditions of entry into force of a Regulation procedures under the law governing the itent-agent profession] Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche intent-agent profession] Regulation on the translations of the claims of European intent applications of 18 December 1978, last amended by Artikel 2 der Verordnung vom 2. Dezember 2018	Gesetz zu der Vereinbarung vom 21. Dezember 1989 über emeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom . Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der emeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom . Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der edingungen für das Inkrafttreten der Vereinbarung über emeinschaftspatente sowie zur Änderung patentrechtlicher orschriften (Zweites Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent) m 20. Dezember 1991, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 os. 4 des Gesetzes zur Modernisierung von Verfahren im Itentanwaltlichen Berufsrecht vom 14. August 2009 Law on the Agreement relating to Community Patents of December 1989 and concerning the Protocol on a sissible modification of the conditions of entry into force of December 1989 and amending certain provisions of patent w (Second Law on the Community Patent) of 20 December 1981, last amended by Article 2(4) of the law of 14 August 1991, last amended by Article 2(4) of the law of 14 August 1999 modernising procedures under the law governing the Intent-agent profession] Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche Intent-agent profession] Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche Intent-agent profession] Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche Intent-agent profession] Regulation on the translations of the claims of European Intent applications of 18 December 1978, last amended by	A9514.1/5.22 www.dpma.de/ sts Law) of 13 December 2001, last amended by Article 3 the Law of 11 December 2018] Gesetz zu der Vereinbarung vom 21. Dezember 1989 über emeinschaftspatente und zu dem Protokoll vom . Dezember 1989 über eine etwaige Änderung der edingungen für das Inkrafttreten der Vereinbarung über emeinschaftspatente sowie zur Änderung patentrechtlicher brschriften (Zweites Gesetz über das Gemeinschaftspatent) m 20. Dezember 1991, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 ss. 4 des Gesetzes zur Modernisierung von Verfahren im Itentanwaltlichen Berufsrecht vom 14. August 2009 Law on the Agreement relating to Community Patents of 1 December 1989 and concerning the Protocol on a sissible modification of the conditions of entry into force of expreement relating to Community patents of 1 December 1989 and mending certain provisions of patent w (Second Law on the Community Patent) of 20 December 1919, last amended by Article 2(4) of the law of 14 August 109 modernising procedures under the law governing the itent-agent profession] Verordnung über die Übersetzungen der Ansprüche ropäischer Patentammeldungen vom 18. Dezember 1978, last amended by 11 1738; 2018 II 1469; 1938 II 1939; 2011 II 738; 2018 II 2446 Regulation on the translations of the claims of European Itent applications of 18 December 1978, last amended by 14 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18

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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 3 der Verordnung von 7. Februar 2022 zur Änderung patentrechtlicher Vorschriften und zur Änderung weiterer Verordnungen des gewerblichen Rechtsschutzes	BGBI 2003 I 2083; 2013 I 3906 2022 I 171		
	[7. Ordinance on Payment of Costs of 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 3 of the Ordinance of 7 February 2022 amending patent-related provisions and other ordinances on industrial property protection]		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 1 der Verordnung vom 14. Juni 2022	BGBI 2003 1702; 2004 897; 2004 3532; 2011 996; 2012 2630; 2018 2446		
	[8. Ordinance on Patent Procedures before the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (Patent Ordinance) of 1 September 2003, last amended by Article 1 of the Ordinance of 14 June 2022]		DPMA: P 2790a/7.22(2) www.dpma.de/ english/our_office/ law/index.html (English)	PO
			P 2790.2a/7.22(2) www.dpma.de/ service/formulare/ patent/index.html (French)	
	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	BGBI 1992 938; 1994 1438; 1997 3224; 1998 1827; 2001 3656; 2004 390; 2016 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 7 des Gesetzes vom 10. August 2021	BGBI 2004 514; 2006 2159; 2010 83; 2010 330; 2013 3799; 2013 3906; 2016 558; 2018 2444 2021 3490		
	[10. Ordinance of 1 April 2004 on the German Patent and Trade Mark Office, as last amended by Article 7 of the Law of 10 August 2021]		-	DPMAV

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	11. Verordnung über den elektronischen Rechtsverkehr beim Deutschen Patent- und Markenamt (ERVDPMAV) vom 1. November 2013, zuletzt geändert durch Artikel 2 der Verordnung vom 7. Februar 2022	BGBI 2013 3906; 2014 118; 2015 1474; 2016 558; 2017 2745; 2018 2444 2022 171		
	[11. Ordinance of 1 November 2013 on electronic legal dealings with the German Patent and Trade Mark Office (OELDDPMA), as last amended by Article 2 of the Ordinance of 7 February 2022]		-	OELDDPMA
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 και τα άρθρα 1 & 3-8 του νόμου 4605/2019	ФЕК 171 A' 22.9.1987 201 A' 20.11.1987 22 A' 14.2.1992 241 A' 21.11.1995 52 A' 1.4.2019		
	[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 and Articles 1 & 3-8 of Law No. 4605/2019]		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"	ФЕК 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"	ФЕК 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 5 ^{ης} Οκτωβρίου 1973, η οποία τροποποιήθηκε στις 17 Δεκεμβρίου 1991) της 29 ^{ης} Νοεμβρίου 2000"	ФЕК 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]		-	-

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	5. Νόμος 3966 "Εναρμόνιση εθνικού δικαίου με την οδηγία 2004/48/ΕΚ του Ευρωπαϊκού Κοινοβουλίου και του Συμβουλίου της 29 ^{nς} Απριλίου 2004 σχετικά με την επιβολή δικαιωμάτων διανοητικής ιδιοκτησίας, άρθρο. 53"	ФЕК 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]		BI. f. PMZ 1988, 338 (German)	Pres. Decr. No. 77/88
	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 B' 31.12.1987 309 B' 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"	ФЕК 665 В' 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"	ФЕК 1162 В' 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]		-	-

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Βιομ 2012	Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού μηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 03/2012 της 10ης Φεβρουαρίου 2 σχετικά με τη μεταβολή του τρόπου υπολογισμού των ών προέρευνας στον Ο.Β.Ι.	ΕΔΒΙ 1/2012, Τεύχος Α'		
Prop conc	Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial perty Organisation 03/2012 of 10 February 2012 cerning a change in the method of calculating the fee for rches on behalf of third parties]		-	Dec. of 10.2.2012
14. N	Νόμος 4144/2013, άρθρο 79	ФЕК		
"Ρύθ	θμιση θεμάτων Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας"	88 B' 18.4.2013		
[14.]	Law 4144/2013 Article 79		-	-
	gulatory issues of the Hellenic Industrial Property anisation (OBI)"]			
διακί Βιομ	Υπουργική απόφαση 12625/1/2014 Ηλεκτρονική κίνηση εγγράφων από και προς τον Οργανισμό μηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας (ΟΒΙ) και ηλεκτρονική κατάθεση ισης καταχώρισης σχεδίου ή υποδείγματος	ФЕК 3258 В' 4.12.2014		
distri Prop	Ministerial decision No. 12625/1/2014 "Electronic ribution of documents to and from the Hellenic Industrial perty Organisation (OBI) and electronic filing of industrial ign or model registration"]		-	-
	Νόμος 2943/2001 (άρθρα 6-11) Κεφάλαιο 3ο "Τμήματα νοτικών Σημάτων"	ФЕК 203 A' 12.9.2001		
	Law 2943/2001 (Articles 6-11) Chapter 3 "Community de Marks Chambers"]		-	-
Βιομ 31ης έκθει	Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού μηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 13/Α01/2016 της ις Αυγούστου 2016 σχετικά με τη μεταβολή του τέλους της εσης έρευνας με αιτιολογημένη γνώμη, με αναδρομική ύ από 1.1.2016	ΕΔΒΙ 8/2016 Τεύχος Α'		
Prop conc	Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial perty Organisation 13/A01/2016 of 31 August 2016 cerning a change in the fee for the enhanced search ort with written opinion, valid from 1.1.2016]		-	Dec. of 31.8.2016
	Νόμος 4512/2018, άρθρα 123 και 124 "Ρύθμιση θεμάτων γανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας"	ΦΕΚ 5 Α' 17.1.2018		
	Law 4512/2018 Articles 123 and 124 "Regulatory issues the Hellenic Industrial Property Organisation (OBI)"]		-	Law No. 4512/2018

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	19. Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 27/Α06/2020 της 21ης Δεκεμβρίου 2020 σχετικά με τη μείωση του τέλους της έκθεσης έρευνας με αιτιολογημένη γνώμη από 1.1.2021	ΕΔΒΙ 12/2020 Τεύχος Α'		
	[19. Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial Property Organisation 27/A06/2020 of December 21, 2020 concerning a reduction of the fee for the enhanced search report with written opinion, valid from 1.1.2021]			Dec. of 21.12.2020
	20. Απόφαση του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου του Οργανισμού Βιομηχανικής Ιδιοκτησίας ΔΣ 05/Α01/2022 της 1ης Απριλίου 2022 σχετικά με την κατάργηση του πρόσθετου τέλους για αξιώσεις πέραν της δέκατης από 15.4.2022			
	[20. Decision of the Administrative Council of the Industrial Property Organisation 05/A01/2022 of April 1, 2022 concerning the abolition of the claims fee for any claim above the 10th, valid from 15.4.2022]			Dec. of 1.4.2022
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]		Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO) website at https://www.sztnh.g ov.hu/en/legal- sources/patents (English)	PA
	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

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	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	Magyar Közlöny (Official Gazette) 2007/168 (XII.5.), 2010/28 (II.26.)		
	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			
	[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/sites/default/files/19_2005_gkm_fees_20190118.pdf (English)	FeeDecr

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Iceland	1. Lög um einkaleyfi nr. 17/1991, síðast breytt með lögum nr. 57/2021	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 53/2004 54/2004 12/2005 127/2005 108/2006 167/2007 98/2009 25/2011 126/2011 40/2018 32/2019 57/2021		
	[1. Patents Act No. 17/1991, last amended by Act No. 57/2021]		Icelandic Intellectual Property Office website at www.isipo.is (English)	PA
	2. Reglugerð um einkaleyfi nr. 477/2012	Stjórnartíðindi B-deild 477/2012		
	[2. Patent Regulation No. 477/2012]		Icelandic Intellectual Property Office website at www.isipo.is (English)	PR
	3. Reglugerð um gjöld fyrir einkaleyfi, vörumerki, hönnun o.fl., nr. 1050/2020	Stjórnartíðindi B-deild 1050/2020		
	[3. Regulation concerning fees for patents, trademarks, design, etc. No. 1050/2020]* *Updated on a regular basis.		Icelandic Intellectual Property Office website at www.isipo.is (English)	Fees Reg.
Ireland	1. Patents Act 1992 Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1998 Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 Patents (Amendment) Act 2012 Intellectual Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2014 Knowledge Development Box (Certification of Inventions) Act 2017 Copyright and Other Intellectual Property Law Provisions Act 2019	S.I. No. 1 of 1992 S.I. No. 28 of 1998 S.I. No. 31 of 2006 S.I. No. 1 of 2012 S.I. No. 36 of 2014 S.I. No. 6 of 2017 S.I. No. 586 of 2019	LTPI IE 2-001 (French) BI.f.PMZ 1998, 99, 165 (German)	PA

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	2. Patents Rules 1992	S.I. No. 179	-	PR
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2006	of 1992 S.I. No. 142		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2008	of 2006		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2009	S.I. No. 71 of 2008		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2011	S.I. No. 194 of 2009		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2012	S.I. No. 79		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2017	of 2011 S.I. No. 334		
	Patents (Amendment) Rules 2019	of 2012		
		S.I. No. 206 of 2017 S.I. No. 589 of 2019		
	3. Register of Patent Agents Rules 1992	S.I. No. 180	-	-
	European Communities (Patent Agents) Regulations 2006	of 1992 S.I. No. 141		
	European Communities (Patent Agents) Regulations 2015	of 2006		
	Register of Patent Agent Rules 2015	S.I. No. 579 of 2015		
		S.I. No. 580 of 2015		
	4. Patents Act 1992 (Commencement) Order 1992	S.I. No. 181	-	-
	Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Certain Provisions) (Commencement) Order 2007	of 1992 S.I. No. 761 of 2007		
	Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Certain Provisions) (Commencement) Order 2009	S.I. No. 196 of 2009 S.I. No. 432		
	Patents (Amendment) Act 2006 (Section 41) (Commencement) Order 2010	of 2010 S.I. No. 329		
	Patents (Amendment) Act 2012 (Commencement) Order 2012	of 2012 S.I. No. 204 of 2017		
	Knowledge Development Box (Certification of Inventions) Act 2017 (Commencement) Order 2017	S.I. No. 586 of 2019		
	Copyright and Other Intellectual Property Law Provisions Act (Commencement) Order 2019			
	5. The European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) Regulations 1993	S.I. No. 125 of 1993	-	-
	European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) (Amendment) Regulations 2001	S.I. No. 648 of 2001 S.I. No. 307		
	European Communities (Supplementary Protection Certificate) Regulations 2008	of 2008		
	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	-	-
	European Communities (Limitation of Effect of Patent) Regulations 2006	S.I. No. 50 of 2006 S.I. No. 408		
	European Communities (Compulsory Licensing of Patents Relating to the Manufacture of Pharmaceutical Products for Export to Countries with Public Health Problems) Regulations 2008	of 2008		

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	8. Patents, Trade Marks, Copyright and Designs (Fees) Rules 2001 Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2008	of 2001 S.I. No. 72 of 2008	-	Patent Fees Rules	
	Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2012	S.I. No. 30 of 2012 S.I. No. 335 of 2012			
	Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) (No. 2) Rules 2012	S.I. No. 205 of 2017 S.I. No. 564			
	Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2017	of 2018			
	Patents, Trade Marks and Designs (Fees) (Amendment) Rules 2018				
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]				
	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]		BI.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		-	Min. Decr. of	
	Fixing of fees for patents and models in accordance with Art. 1 of Law No. 296 of 27 December 2006]			2.4.2007	
	5. Legge n. 224 del 29 novembre 2007	Suppl. ord. alla			
	Ratifica ed esecuzione dell'atto recante la revisione della convenzione sul rilascio del brevetto europeo della CBE Monaco 29 novembre 2000	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	G.U. N. 56		
	Regolamento di attuazione del Codice Proprieta' Industriale adottato con Decreto Legislativo del 10 febbraio 2005 n. 30	del 9.3.2010		
	[7. Ministerial Decree No. 33 of 13 January 2010		-	Min. Decr.
	Implementing Regulations to the Code of Industrial Property, adopted by Legislative Decree No. 30 of 10 February 2005]			No. 33
	8. Circolare istruzioni operative del Ministero dell'economia e delle finanze del 5 febbraio 2010	https://www.dt. mef.gov.it/it/ attivita_istituzio		
	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	nali/ pagamenti_da_ e_per_estero/		
	[8. Circular on Operational Instructions of the Ministry of Economy and Finance of 5 February 2010		-	Circ. of 5.2.201
	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]			
	9. Decreto Legislativo del 13 agosto 2010 n. 131	Suppl. ord.		
	Modifiche al Codice Proprieta' industriale n. 30	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	G.U. N. 281 del 3.12.2014		
	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			
	[10. Provision of the Agenzia delle Entrate (Italian Revenue Agency) of 20 November 2014		-	Prov. of 20.11.2014
	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]			

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	11. Decreto Ministeriale del 26 gennaio 2015 Criteri e modalita' per il deposito telematico dei titoli della proprieta' industriale	G.U. N. 24 del 30.1.2015	(language)	synopsis
	[11. Ministerial Decree of 26 January 2015 Criteria and methods for online filing of industrial property rights]		-	Min. Decr. of 26.1.2015
atvia	2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2015. gada 19. novembra grozījumiem 2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2021. gada 15. jūnija grozījumiem, stājas spēkā 2021. gada 12. jūlijā	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 34(3610), 27.2.2007 No. 240 (5558), 8.12.2015		
		Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 121B 28.06.2021.		
	[1. Patent Law adopted on 15 February 2007, as amended on 19 November 2015 Patent Law adopted on 15 February 2007, as amended on 15 June 2021]		English https://likumi.lv/ta/ en/en/id/153574- patent-law	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		
	2008. gada 1. aprīļa Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 224 Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi ar 2022. gada 22. februāra grozījumiem, stājas spēkā 2022. gada 25. februārī	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 39, 24.02.2022.		
	2022. gada 22. februāra Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 137 Grozījumi Ministru kabineta 2008. gada 1. aprīļa noteikumos Nr. 224 "Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi"			
	[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
	Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 224 of 1 April 2008 Regulations on patents and patent applications, as amended on 22 February 2022 Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 137 of			
	22 February 2022 "Amendments to Regulations on patents and patent applications No. 224 of 1 April 2008 by the Cabinet of Ministers"]			
	3. 2015. gada 15. decembra Ministru Kabineta noteikumi Nr. 723 Patentu valdes sniegto maksas pakalpojumu cenrādis ar 2020. gada 7. maija grozījumiem, stājās spēkā	Vēstnesis No. 248 (5566), 18.12.2015		
	2020. gada 9. maijā	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 88B 08.05.2020.		
	[3. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office		-	Fees Reg.
	Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office, as amended on 7 May 2020]			

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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]		English https://likumi.lv/ta/en/ en/id/275049-law- on-industrial- property-institutions- and-procedures	IPL
Liechtenstein	Vertrag zwischen der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft und dem Fürstentum Liechtenstein über den Schutz der Erfindungspatente vom 22. Dezember 1978 (Patentschutzvertrag)	LGBI. 1980 Nr. 31		
	[1. Treaty between the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein on Patent Protection (Patent Treaty) of 22 December 1978]		OJ EPO 1980, 407 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
	Ausführungsvereinbarung zum schweizerisch- liechtensteinischen Patentschutzvertrag vom 10. Dezember 1979	LGBI. 1980 Nr. 32		
	[2. Implementing Agreement to the Treaty between Switzerland and Liechtenstein in respect of patents of 10 December 1979]		OJ EPO 1980, 407 (English, French) IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	-
	Gesetz vom 26. September 1979 zum Vertrag zwischen dem Fürstentum Liechtenstein und der Schweizerischen Eidgenossenschaft über den Schutz der Erfindungspatente	LGBI. 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

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

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	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]		-	-
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.)]		BI.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

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	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]		BI.f.PMZ 1998, 292 (German) IPLT LU 2-005 (English)	PL
	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.
	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

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Malta	ATT DWAR IL-PRIVATTIVI INDUSTRIJALI U D-DISINNI Sabiex jipprovdi dwar ir-reĝistrazzjoni u r-regolamentazzjoni ta' privattivi industrijali u disinni. 1 ta' Ĝunju, 2002	Government Gazette of Malta No. 16 967 11.7.2000		
	L-ATT XVII ta' I-2000, kif emendat bl-Atti IX ta' I-2003 u XVIII ta' I-2005; u bl-Avviži Legali 181 u 186 ta' I-2006, u 426 ta' I-2007			
	[1. PATENTS AND DESIGNS ACT		Government	PA 2000
	To make provision for the registration and regulation of patents and designs.		Gazette of Malta No. 16 967 11.7.2000	
	1 June 2002		(English)	
	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]			
	2. ATT Nru. XVIII ta' I-2005	Government		
	Att biex jemenda I-Att dwar il-Privattivi Industrijali u d-Disinni, Kap. 417	Gazette of Malta No. 17 853 16.12.2005		
	[2. ACT No. XVIII of 2005		Government	Act XVIII 2005
	Patents and Designs (Amendment) Act 2005]		Gazette of Malta No. 17 853 16.12.2005 (English)	
	3. A.L.117 ta' I -2002 Regolamenti ta' I-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 I -2002	Government		
	Regolamenti ta' l-2002 dwar il-Privattivi (Prodotti ta' Protezzjoni għall-Pjanti)	Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002		
	[4. Legal Notice No. 260 of 2002		Government	L.N. 260/2002
	Patents (Plant Protection Products) Regulations 2002]		Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002 (English)	
	5. A.L. 261 ta I- 2002	Government		
	Regolamenti ta' l-2002 dwar il-Privattivi	Gazette of Malta		
	(Prodotti Medićinali)	No. 17 288 13.9.2002		
	[5. L.N. No. 261 of 2002		Government	L.N. 261/2002
	Patents (Medicinal Products) Regulations 2002]		Gazette of Malta No. 17 288 13.9.2002 (English)	

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	6. A.L. 98 ta' I-2007 Regolamenti ta' I-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' I-2007 Regolamenti ta' I-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
	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, modifiée par l'Ordonnance souveraine n° 9.123 du 25 février 2022	J. M. du 29.12.17 et du 4.3.22		
	[3. Sovereign Ordinance No. 6.722 of 26 December 2017 fixing the fees payable for administrative formalities relating to industrial property, amended by Sovereign Ordinance No. 9.123 of 25 February 2022]		-	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
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	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]		-	-
Montenegro	1. Zakon o patentima	SI. list CG, br. 42/2015, 2/2017, 146/21 i 3/2023		
	[1. Patent Law]		-	PL
	Pravilnik o sadržini registara, prijava i drugih podnesaka, načinu podnošenja prijava i objavljivanju podataka u postupcima pravne zaštite pronalazaka	SI. list CG, br. 8/2016		
	[2. Rules on the contents of registers, applications and other submissions, notification and publication of data in procedures for the legal protection of inventions]		-	Rules
	3. Zakon o potvrdjivanju sporazuma izmedju Crne Gore i EPO o proširenju evropskih patenata (Sporazum o proširenju)	SI. list CG, Međunarodni ugovori, br. 5/2009		
	[3. Law on ratification of the extension agreement between Montenegro and the EPO (Extension Agreement)]		-	-
	4. Zakon o administrativnim taksama	SI. list RCG, br. 55/2003, 46/2004, 81/2005, 2/2006;		
		SI. list CG, br. 18/2019		
	[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	SI. 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	SI. list CG, br. 56/2014, 20/2015, 40/2016, 37/2017		
	[6. Law on administrative procedure]		-	LAdmin.proc.

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Netherlands	1. Rijksoctrooiwet 1995	https://wetten.o verheid.nl/ BWBR0007118 /2021-08-01		
	[1. Patents Act of the Kingdom 1995]		GRUR Int. 1996, 22 and Bl. f. PMZ 1996, 230 (German)	PA
			IPLT NL 2-001 (English, French)	
	2. Uitvoeringsbesluit Rijksoctrooiwet 1995 van 20 februari 1995, laatstelijk gewijzigd op 20 augustus 2010	https://wetten.o verheid.nl/ BWBR0007246 /2016-10-07		
	[2. Patent Rules of 20 February 1995, as last amended on 20 August 2010]		-	PR
	3. Uitvoeringsregeling 2009 Rijksoctrooiwet 1995	https://wetten.o verheid.nl/ BWBR0026646 /2010-04-01		
	[3. Implementing Rules 2009 Patent Act 1995]		-	IR
North Macedonia	1. Закон за индустриска сопственосткој 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. 152/2015, No. 53/2016, No. 83/2018 No. 31/2020		
	[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. 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. 92/2009		
	[3. New Patent Regulations of 24 July 2009]		-	Reg.
	4. Закон за општа управна постапка	Sluzben vesnik na Republika Makedonija No. 38/2005, 124/2015		
	[4. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP
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]		https://www.patents tyret.no/en/ services/patents/ Rules-and- regulations- patents/patent- regulations/ (Unofficial translation)	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]		https://www.patents tyret.no/en/ services/patents/ Rules-and- regulations- patents/patent- regulations/ (Unofficial translation)	PR

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	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.
Poland	Ustawa z dnia 30 czerwca 2000 r. Prawo własności przemysłowej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2021 r. poz. 324 oraz z 2002 r. poz. 2185		
	[1. Act of 30 June 2000 on industrial property law]	Journal of Laws of 2021, item 324 and from 2022, item 2185	Polish Patent Office website at www.uprp.pl (English version is currently being updated)	IPL

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	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 marca 2004 r. 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 lutego 2008 r. 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 r.; Dziennik Ustaw 2004 Nr 35 poz. 309; 5.3.2004 r.; Dziennik Ustaw 2008 Nr 41 poz. 241, 11.3.2008 r.; Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1623, 6.10.2016 r.		
	[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 the Council of Ministers of 26 February 2008 and the Regulation of the Council of Ministers of 8 September 2016]	Journal of Laws of 2001, no. 90, item 1000 31 August 2001 Journal of Laws of 2004, no. 35, item 309 5 March 2008, no. 41, item 309, 11 March 2008 Journal of Laws of 2016, item 1623, 6 October 2016	Polish Patent Office website at www.uprp.pl (English)	Fees Reg.

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	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 r.; Dziennik Ustaw 2005 Nr 109, poz. 910, 14.6.2005 r. oraz Dziennik Ustaw 2015 poz. 366, 17.3.2015 r.; Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 1840, 15.11.2016		
	[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, the Regulations of the Prime Minister of 2 March 2015 and the Regulations of the Prime Minister of 3 November 2016]	Journal of Laws of 2001, no. 102, item 1119 21 September 2001 Journal of Laws of 2005, no. 109, item 910 21 June 2005 Journal of Laws of 2015, item 366 17 March 2015 Journal of Laws of 2016, item 1840 15 November 2016	-	FPR
	Rozporządzenie Rady Ministrów z dnia 23 lipca 2002r. w sprawie wynalazków i wzorów użytkowych dotyczących obronności lub bezpieczeństwa Państwa	Dziennik Ustaw z 2002 r. Nr. 123 poz. 1056 2.08.2002 r.		
	[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	Journal of Laws of 2002, no. 123, item 1056 2 August 2002 Dziennik Ustaw z 2016 r. poz. 2, 04.01.2016.	-	-
	[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]	Journal of Laws of 2016, item 2 4 January 2016	Polish Patent Office website at www.uprp.pl (English)	EPAL

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	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]	Journal of Laws of 2016, item 1623	-	Reg. of 8 September 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 r.		
	[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]	Journal of Laws of 2016, item 1482 16 September 2016	-	-
	Rozporządzenie Prezesa Rady Ministrów z dnia stycznia 2017 r. w sprawie rejestrów prowadzonych przez Urząd Patentowy Rzeczypospolitej Polskiej	Dziennik Ustaw z 2017 r. poz. 115 18.1.2017 r.		
	[8. Regulation of the Prime Minister of 12 January 2017 on registers kept by the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland]	Journal of Laws of 2017, item 115 18 January 2017	-	Reg. Registers
	9. 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 r.		
	[9. 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 Patent Office of the Republic of Poland]	Journal of Laws of 2016, item 1659 11 October 2016	-	-
Portugal	1. Código da Propriedade Industrial Decreto-Lei nº 110/2018 de 10 de Dezembro de 2018 que revoga o Decreto-Lei nº 36/2003, alterado pelos Decretos-Leis nºs 318/2007, de 26 de Setembro, 360/2007, de 2 de Novembro e pela Lei nº 16/2008, de 1 de Abril, republicado pelo Decreto-Lei nº 143/2008, de 25 de Julho de 2008	Diário da República 1ª Série N° 237 de 10.12.2018 (Republication of the Industrial Property Code)		
	[1. Industrial Property Code Decree Law No. 110/2018 of 10 December 2018 repealing 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

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	2. Despacho n° 6142/2019 de 4 de Julho de 2019 que revoga o Despacho n° 9179/2016 de 19 de Julho de 2016 e o Despacho n° 3571/2014 de 6 de Março de 2014, relativo à 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° 126 de 4.7.2019		
	No. 9179/2016 of 19 July 2016 and 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.º 680/2022 publicada no Diário da República Nº 112 de 9 de junho de 2022, que atualiza as tabelas de taxas anexas à Portaria nº 201-A/2019, de 1 de Julho 2019	Diário da República 1ª Série Nº 123 de 1.7.2019; N° 126 de 4.7.2019		
	[3. Ministerial Order No. 201-A/2019 of 1 July 2019, updated by Resolution no. 680/2022 regarding fees]		-	Fees Res.
	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 1° 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]		BI.f.PMZ 1995, 295 (German)	Decr. Law
Romania	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

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	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]		-	-
	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]		-	-

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	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	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		_	PA
	Consolidated Act on industrial property]			
	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.
	Decreto legge 22 giugno 2009 n. 76 Norme di applicazione della Convenzione sul Brevetto Europeo (CBE)	B.U. n. 3, 2009		
	[4. Decree Law No. 76 of 22 June 2009		-	Decree Law No. 76/2009
	Provisions for the application of the European Patent Convention (EPC)]			
	5. Legge 5 Dicembre 2011 n. 189	B.U. n. 9, 2011		
	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]			
	6. Decreto Delegato 7 febbraio 2014 n. 15	B.U.		
	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]			
	7. Legge 23 dicembre 2014 n. 219 – art. 31	B.U.		
	Modifica decreto legge 22 giugno 2009 n. 76			
	[7. Law No. 219 of 23 December 2014 – art. 31		-	Law
	Amendment to Decree Law No. 76 of 22 June 2009]			No. 219/2014

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	8. Decreto Consiliare 23 dicembre 2014 n. 217	B.U.		
	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]			
	9. Decreto legge 21 dicembre 2018 n. 172			
	Norme di applicazione dell'Atto di Ginevra relativo all'Accordo dell'Aja in materia di registrazione internazionale di disegni e modelli industriali, concluso a Ginevra il 2 luglio 1999			
	[9. Decree - Law No. 172 of 21 December 2018			
	Application rules of the Geneva Act relating to the Aja Agreement on the international registration of industrial designs, concluded in Geneva on 2 July 1999]			
	10. Decreto legge 16 settembre 2019 n. 141	B.U.		
	Deposito di domande internazionali e di domande di brevetto europeo			
	[10. Decree Law No. 141 of 16 September 2019		-	-
	Filing international applications and European patent applications]			
	11. Legge 22 dicembre 2021 n. 207, art. 8	B.U.		
	[11. Law No. 207 of 22 december 2021, art. 8]		-	-
	12. Decreto delegato 12 luglio 2021 n. 126	B. U.		
	Disposizioni in materia di ricerca sul brevetto ad opera Dell'Ufficio Europeo dei Brevetti			
	[12. Delegated Decree No. 126 Of 12 July 2021			
	Provisions on Patent Search By The European Patent Office]			
Serbia	1. Закон о патентима	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011, No. 113/2017, No. 95/2018, No. 66/2019, No. 123/2021		
	[1. Patent Law, published on 27.12.2011, 8.12.2017, 8.12.2018, 18.9.2019 and 15.12.2021]			PL

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	2. Правилник о садржини потврда, пријава и захтева у поступку заштите проналазака, као и о начину подношења пријаве и објављивања проналазака	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 78/2019		
	[2. Regulations on the content of certificates, applications and requests in the procedure of the protection of inventions, as well as the manner of filing the application and publication of inventions, published on 1.11.2019]		-	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	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 43/2003, No. 51/2003, No. 51/2005, No. 61/2005, No. 61/2005, No. 101/2005, No. 42/2006, No. 47/2007, No. 54/2008, No. 5/2009, No. 54/2009, No. 50/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 55/2012, No. 47/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 65/2015, No. 112/2015, No. 83/2015, No. 112/2015, No. 50/2016, No. 61/2017, No. 3/2018, No. 50/2018, No. 38/2019, No. 38/2020, No. 144/2020, No. 62/2021, No. 138/2022		
	[4. Law on the Republic's Administrative Fees]		-	Fees Law
	Entry into force on 30.4.2003; entry into force of the last amendments of the fees on 20.12.2022			
	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]		-	-

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	6. Правилник о начину и програму полагања стручног испита за лица која се баве заступањем у области индустријске својине	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 78/2019		
	[6. Regulations on the program and manner of passing expert exam for the persons engaged in representation in the field of intellectual property, published on 1.11.2019]		-	-
	7. Закон о општем управном поступку	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 18/2016, No. 95/2018		
	[7. Law on General Administrative Procedure, entry into force on 1.6.2017 and on 7.12.2018]		-	LGAP
	8. 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		
	[8. 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
	9. 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 ("Службен илист СЦГ", бр. 32/04,	Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro No. 32/2004, No. 35/2004		
	35/04 и "Службени гласник РС", број 115/06)	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 115/2006		
	[9. 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	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. 125/2016, č. 242/2017, č. 291/2018		
	[2. Law No. 435/2001 Coll. on patents, supplementary protection certificates and on amendment of other Acts (Patent Act), as amended by subsequent law]			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, č. 291/2018		
	[3. Act No. 517/2007 Coll. on Utility Models and the Amendment of Certain Acts as amended by subsequent law]			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 v znení vyhlášky č. 279/2018 Z. z.	Zbierka zákonov č. 1/2008 č. 279/2018		
	[4. Industrial Property Office Regulation No. 1/2008 Coll. implementing Act No. 517/2007 Coll. on Utility Models and the Amendment of Certain Acts as amended]		-	-
	5. Zákon NR SR č. 145/1995 Z.z. o správnych poplatkoch v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 145/1995 Z. z.		
	[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) v znení vyhlášky č. 278/2018 Z. z.	Zbierka zákonov č. 223/2002 Z. z., č. 278/2018		
	[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) as amended		-	RPA
	7. Zákon č. 71/1967 Zb. o správnom konaní (správny poriadok) v znení neskorších predpisov	Zbierka zákonov č. 71/1967 Zb.		
	[7. Law No. 71/1967 Coll. on administrative procedure (Administrative Procedure Code) as amended by subsequent law]			APC

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	8. Zákon 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]			Act No. 495/2008
Slovenia	1. Zakon o industrijski lastnini	Uradni list RS, št. 51/06 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 100/13 in 23/20		
	[1. Industrial Property Act]		WIPO website at www.wipo.int/wipolex (English, French)	IPA
			Slovenian Intellectual Property Office website at www.uil-sipo.si (English)	
	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.
	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
	Pravilnik o registrih prijav in pravic industrijske lastnine ter potrdilu o prednostni pravici	Uradni list RS, št. 102/01, 23/2 0 – ZIL-1E in 93/20		
	[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	BOE núm. 177/2015, 62765		
	[1. Patent Law 24/2015 of 24 July 2015]		-	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 1981:05, SFS 1981:816, omtryckt genom lag SFS 1983:433, SFS 1983:434 därefter åndrad 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 1994:151, SFS 1996:847, SFS 1998:689, SFS 1996:890, SFS 1998:456, SFS 2000:1158, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2004:161, SFS 2005:289, SFS 2005:692, SFS 2007:242, SFS 2007:516, SFS 2007:517, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2007:548, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2007:511, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2013:34, SFS 2009:111, SFS 2013:34, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:2434, SFS 2015:317, SFS 2016:192, SFS 2016:229, SFS 2016:726, SFS 2016:727, SFS 2018:273, SFS 2016:229, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:289, SFS 2014:286	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 1992:1688 1993:1406 1994:105 1994:234 1994:1511 1996:847 1996:889 1996:890 1998:1456 2000:1158 2004:159 2004:159 2006:625 2006:625 2006:682 2007:242 2007:516 2007:517 2007:518 2007:518 2007:517 2007:518 2007:518 2007:518 2007:517 2007:518 2007:517 2007:518 2007:517 2007:518 2007:517 2007:518 2007:636 2007:751 2008:131 2008:367 2009:111 2010:1395 2011:580 2013:84 2014:434 2015:317 2016:192 2016:726 2016:727 2018:273 2020:541 2022:486		

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	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 1983:33 SFS 1983:434 and amended by SFS 1984:937, SFS 1986:233, SFS 1986:1156, SFS 1987:1330, SFS 1991:296, SFS 1994:234, SFS 1994:1511, SFS 1993:1406, SFS 1994:105, SFS 1994:234, SFS 1994:1511, SFS 1996:847, SFS 1996:889, SFS 1996:890, SFS 1998:1466, SFS 2000:1158, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2004:159, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2006:625, SFS 2007:516, SFS 2007:516, SFS 2007:517, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2007:536, SFS 2007:517, SFS 2007:518, SFS 2038:131, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2038:131, SFS 2008:367, SFS 2038:44, SFS 2011:580, SFS 2038:44, SFS 2014:434, SFS 2015:317, SFS 2016:192, SFS 2016:229, SFS 2016:726, SFS 2016:727, SFS 2018:273, SFS 2020:541, SFS 2022:486]		BI.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 2018:930, SFS 2022:1864	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 2003:1071 2004:162 2006:1067 2007:253 2007:519 2007:1120 2008:130 2008:130 2008:130 2008:368 2009:1155 2011:449 2012:620 2014:435 2016:580 2016:580 2016:729 2017:1058 2018:930 2022:1864		
	[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, SFS 2018:930, SFS 2022:1864]		BI.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 2015:3 P:103, PRVFS 2022:3 P:127	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 2015:3 P:103 2022:3 P:127		
	[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, PRVFS 2015:3 P:103, PRVFS 2022:3 P:127]		-	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	Bundesgesetz betreffend die Erfindungspatente vom 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.
	Bundesgesetz über das Verwaltungsverfahren vom 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)	Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
			IPLT LI-CH 2-001 (English, French)	
	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)	
Türkiye	Patent haklarinin korunmasi hakkinda bakanlar kurulunca 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]		BI.f.PMZ 2000, 355 (German)	DL No. 551
	Valid for applications filed before 10 January 2017 and still pending, i.e. not yet granted.		IPLT TR 2-001 (English, French)	
	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 Türkiye dated 9 January 2001, as last amended on 22 May 2008]		-	RegEPC
	4. 2023 Yılında Uygulanacak Ücret Tarifesine İlişkin Tebliğ	TC Resmi Gazete No. 30995 31.12.2019		
	[4. List of fees in respect of patents and utility models, 2023]		-	Fees 2023
United Kingdom	1. The Patents Act 1977 (as amended)	www.gov.uk/ government/ publications/the- patents-act- 1977	BI.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	LTPI UK 2-002 (French)	PR
		2007/3291 2009/546 2010/33 2011/2052 2014/578 2014/2401 2016/892 2017/1100 2019/801 2020/1050 2020/1317 2020/1471		

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Contracting State	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 2020/644	published in	used in this

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Central industrial property office			(language)	synopsis
Bosnia and Herzegovina	1. Zakon o patentu	SI.glasnik BiH (Official Gazette		
Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina		of Bosnia and Herzegovina) No. 53/10		
Head office: Kneza Domagoja bb 88000 MOSTAR	[1. Patent Law]		Website of the Institute for Intellectual	PL
Tel. +387 36 334382 Fax +387 36 318420			Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina	
www.ipr.gov.ba			www.ipr.gov.ba	
mostar@ipr.gov.ba Branch office:	Pravilnik o postupku za priznanje patenta i konsenzualnoga patenta	Sl.glasnik BiH No. 105/10		
Bulevar Mese Selimovica 95 71000 SARAJEVO	[2. Regulations on the Patent and Consensual Patent Grant Procedure]		Website of the Institute for Intellectual	Pat. Reg.
Tel. +387 33 521848 Fax +387 33 652757			Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina	
info@ipr.gov.ba			www.ipr.gov.ba	
sarajevo@ipr.gov.ba	3. Odluka o posebnim troškovima postupka za sticanje i	Sl.glasnik BiH		
Branch office: Akademika Jovana Surutke 13/III 78000 BANJA LUKA	održavanje prava industrijskog vlasništva [3. Decision on special procedural charges for acquisition and maintenance of industrial property rights]	No. 109/10	-	Spec. Fees
Tel. +387 51 226840 Fax +387 51 226841				
banjaluka@ipr.gov.ba				
	4. Odluka o izmjenama tarife administrativnih taksi	SI.glasnik BiH No. 15/14		
	[4. Decision adjusting administrative fees]		-	Admin. Fees
	5. Sporazum između vijeća ministara bosne i hercegovine i evropske patentne organizacije o saradnji u oblasti patenata (sporazum o saradnji i proširenju)	SI.glasnik BiH No. 2/04		
	[5. Agreement between Bosnia and Herzegovina and the European Patent Organisation on co-operation in the field of patents (co-operation and extension agreement)]		-	Ext. Agr.
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Albania	1. Ligji Nr. 9947 Date 07.07.2008 Per Pronesine Industriale i	Gazeta Zyrtare		
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed	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	No. 121, 2008 No. 29, 2013 No. 96, 2014 No. 43, 2017		
before 1 May 2010.) Drejtoria e Përgjithshme e	[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
Pronësisë Industriale General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) Bulevardi "Zhan D'Ark" Prona Nr. 33 Shtëpia e Ushtarakëve	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		
TIRANA Tel. +355 4 22 34 412 Fax +355 4 22 34 412 www.dppm.gov.al	[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
mailinf@dppm.gov.al	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	1. Zakon o patentu	Narodne		
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	[1. Patent Act]	Novine NN 16/20	Croatian Intellectual Property Office	PA
Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo State Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Croatia			website at: https://www.dziv.hr/ en/ip-legislation/ national-legislation/ patents/	
Ulica grada Vukovara 78	2. Pravilnik o patentu	NN 55/20		
10000 ZAGREB	[2. Patent Ordinance]		Croatian	PO
Tel. +385 1 6106111, 6106100 Fax +385 1 6112017			Intellectual Property Office website at: www.dziv.hr/en/ip-	
www.dziv.hr			legislation/national-	
info@dziv.hr			legislation/patents/	

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	3. Zakon o naknadama u području intelektualnog vlasništva	NN 66/21		
	[3. Act on the fees in the field of intellectual property]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: www.dziv.hr/en/ip- legislation/national- legislation/patents/	AFees
	4. Uredba o naknadama za postupke u području intelektualnog vlasništva i stručne usluge Državnog zavoda za intelektualno vlasništvo	NN 119/21		
	[4. Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office]		Croatian Intellectual Property Office website at: www.dziv.hr/en/ip- legislation/national- legislation/patents	RFees
	5. Sporazum Vlade Republike Hrvatske i Europske patentne organizacije o suradnji na području patenata (Sporazum o suradnji i proširenju)	NN - IA. 14/03		
	[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, 110/21		
	[6. Law on General Administrative Procedure]	110/21	-	Law on GAP
Latvia	1. 2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2015. gada	Latvijas		
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed	19. novembra grozījumiem 2007. gada 15. februāra Patentu likums ar 2021. gada 15. jūnija grozījumiem, stājas spēkā 2021. gada 12. jūlijā	Vēstnesis No. 34 (3610), 27.2.2007 No. 240 (5558), 8.12.2015		
before 1 July 2005.)		Latvijas Vēstnesis		
Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia Citadeles iela 7/70 RIGA, LV1010		No. 121B 28.06.2021.		
Tel. +371 6 7099600	[1. Patent Law adopted on 15 February 2007, as amended on 19 November 2015]		English	PL
www.lrpv.gov.lv	13 November 2019		https://likumi.lv/ta/ en/en/id/153574-	
pasts@lrpv.gov.lv			patent-law	

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	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		
	2008. gada 1. aprīļa Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 224 Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi ar 2022. gada 22. februāra grozījumiem, stājas spēkā 2022. gada 25. februārī	Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 39,		
	2. 2022. gada 22.februāra Ministru kabineta noteikumi Nr. 137 Grozījumi Ministru kabineta 2008. gada 1. aprīļa noteikumos Nr. 224 "Patentu un patentu pieteikumu noteikumi"	24.02.2022.		
	[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
	[Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 224 of 1 April 2008 Regulations on patents and patent applications, as amended on 22 February 2022]			
	[Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 137 of 22 February 2022 "Amendments to Regulations on patents and patent applications No. 224 of 1 April 2008 by the Cabinet of Ministers"]			
	3. 2015. gada 15. decembra Ministru Kabineta noteikumi Nr. 723 Patentu valdes sniegto maksas pakalpojumu cenrādis ar 2020. gada 7. maija grozījumiem, stājās spēkā 2020. gada 9. maijā	Vēstnesis No. 248 (5566), 18.12.2015		
		Latvijas Vēstnesis No. 88B 08.05.2020.		
	[3. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office]		-	Fees Reg.
	[3. Regulations of the Cabinet of Ministers No. 723 of 15 December 2015 on prices for services of the Patent Office, as amended on 7 May 2020]			
	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]		English https://likumi.lv/ta/en/en/id/275049-law-on-industrial-property-institutions-and-procedures	IPL

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Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	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)		
The State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania Kalvarijų g. 3 09310 VILNIUS	[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
Tel. +370 5 2780290 Fax +370 5 2750723				
https://vpb.lrv.lt/ info@vpb.gov.lt				
	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]		-	-
Montenegro	1. Zakon o patentima	SI. list CG, br. 42/2015,		
Ministarstvo ekonomije Direktorat za unutrašnje tržište i konkurenciju	[1. Patent Law]	2/2017 I 146/21	-	PL
Rimski trg 46 81000 PODGORICA	Pravilnik o sadržini registara, prijava i drugih podnesaka, načinu podnošenja prijava i objavljivanju podataka u	SI. list SCG, br. 8/2016		
Tel. +382 20 234 591 www.mek.gov.me	postupcima pravne zaštite pronalazaka			Bula
intelektualna.svojina@ mek.gov.me	[2. Rules on the contents of registers, applications and other submissions, notification and publication of data in procedures for the legal protection of inventions]		(-	Rules

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property office	Zakon o potvrdjivanju sporazuma izmedju Crne Gore i EPO o proširenju evropskih patenata (Sporazum o proširenju)	SI. list CG, Međunarodni ugovori, br. 5/2009			
	[3. Law on ratification of the extension agreement between Montenegro and the EPO (Extension Agreement)]		-	-	
	4. Zakon o administrativnim taksama	SI. list RCG, br. 55/2003, 46/2004, 81/2005, 2/2006;			
		SI. list CG, br. 18/2019			
	[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	SI. 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	SI. list CG, br. 56/2014, 20/2015, 40/2016, 37/2017			
	[6. Law on administrative procedure]		-	LAdmin.proc.	
North Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.) State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) Str. Dame Gruev, No.14 1000 SKOPJE Tel. +389 2 3103601	1. Закон за индустриска сопственосткој 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. 152/2015, No. 53/2016, No. 83/2018 No. 31/2020			
Fax +389 2 3137149 www.ippo.gov.mk info@ippo.gov.mk	[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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property office				
	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. 61/2004, No. 95/2005, No. 70/2006, No. 92/2007, No. 88/2008, No. 130/2008, No. 145/2010, 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. 92/2009		
	[3. New Patent Regulations of 24 July 2009]		-	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; 124/2015	Coman,	
	[5. Law on General Administrative Procedure]		-	Law on GAP

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property office					
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	Legea Nr. 64/1991 privind brevetele de invenţie republicată în Monitorul Oficial al României, Partea I, nr. 613 din 19 august 2014 Reteat Leve No. 64/4994, se verpubliate d in the Official. Reteat Leve No. 64/4994, se verpubliate d in the Official.	Monitorul Oficial No. 212/1991 340/2002 752/2002 541/2007	IPLT RO-2-001	PL	
State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) 5, Ion Ghica Street 030044 BUCUREŞTI 3	[1. Patent Law No. 64/1991, as republished in the Official Gazette of Romania, Part I, No. 613 of 19 August 2014]		(English, French) GRUR Int. 1992, 196 (German)	rL	
Tel. +40 21 3060-800 Fax +40 21 3123819					
www.osim.ro					
office@osim.ro					
	2. H.G. nr. 547 din 18 iunie 2008 pentru aprobarea Regula- mentului 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	

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Central industrial property office				
	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]		-	-
	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 protecția 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	1. Закон о патентима	Official Gazette		
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)		of the Republic of Serbia No. 99/2011, No. 113/2017, No. 95/2019, No. 66/2019, No. 123/2021		
Intellectual Property Office Kneginje Ljubice 5 11000 BEOGRAD	[1. Patent Law, published on 27.12.2011, 8.12.2017, 8.12.2018, 18.9.2019 and 15.12.2021]			PL
Tel. +381 11 2025800 Fax +381 11 3112377				
www.zis.gov.rs zis@zis.gov.rs				
	2. Правилник о садржини потврда, пријава и захтева у поступку заштите проналазака, као и о начину подношења пријаве и објављивања проналазака	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 78/2019		
	[2. Regulations on the content of certificates, applications and requests in the procedure of the protection of inventions, as well as the manner of filing the application and publication of inventions, published on 1.11.2019]		-	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	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 43/2003, No. 51/2003, No. 53/2004, No. 42/2005, No. 61/2005, No. 101/2005, No. 101/2005, No. 42/2006, No. 47/2007, No. 54/2008, No. 5/2009, No. 54/2009, No. 55/2010, No. 50/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 70/2011, No. 55/2012, No. 93/2012, No. 47/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 65/2013, No. 57/2014, No. 45/2015, No. 112/2015, No. 112/2015, No. 61/2017, No. 3/2018, No. 50/2018, No. 50/2018, No. 38/2019, No. 98/2020, No. 144/2020, No. 62/2021, No. 138/2022		
	[4. Law on the Republic's Administrative Fees] Entry into force on 30.4.2003, entry into force of the last amendments of the fees on 20.12.2022		-	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. Правилник о начину и програму полагања стручног испита за лица која се баве заступањем у области индустријске својине	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 78/2019		
	[6. Regulations on the program and manner of passing expert exam for the persons engaged in representation in the field of intellectual property, published on 1.11.2019]		-	-
	7. Закон о општем управном поступку	Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia No. 18/2016, No. 95/2018		
	[7. The Law on General Administrative Procedure, entry into force on 1.6.2017 and 7.12.2018]		-	LGAP

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	8. 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		
	[8. 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
	9. 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		
	[9. 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	1. Zakon o industrijski lastnini	Uradni list RS,		
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December		št. 51/06 – uradno prečiščeno besedilo, 100/13 in 23/20		
2002.) Slovenian Intellectual	[1. Industrial Property Act]		WIPO website at www.wipo.int/wipolex (English, French)	PA
Property Office (SIPO) Kotnikova ulica 6 p.p.206 1000 LJUBLJANA			Slovenian Intellectual Property Office website at	
Tel. +386 1 6203100 Fax +386 1 6203111			www.uil-sipo.si (English)	
https://www.gov.si/ drzavni-organi/organi- v-sestavi/urad-za-	2. Uredba o pristojbinah Urada RS za intelektualno lastnino	Uradni list RS, št. 128/2006		
intelektualno-lastnino/ sipo@uil-sipo.si	[2. Decree on the fees of the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office]		-	Fees Decr.
	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

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state Central industrial property office			published in (language)	used in this synopsis
	Pravilnik o registrih prijav in pravic industrijske lastnine ter potrdilu o prednostni pravici	Uradni list RS, št. 102/01, 23/2 0 – ZIL-1E in 93/20		
	[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.

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property office				
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. Loi n° 17-97 relative à la protection de la propriété	Bulletin officiel		
Office marocain de la propriété industrielle et commerciale	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)	(BO) n° 6318 du 18.12.2014 (version arabe)		
Moroccan Industrial nd Commercial Property Office, DMPIC)		BO n° 6358 du 7.5.2015 (version française)		
Headquarters: Route de Nouasser, R.S. 114, Km 9,5 Sidi Maarouf CASABLANCA	[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
Postal address: PO Box 8072 Casablanca Oasis CASABLANCA				
Tel. +212 5 22586400 Fax +212 5 22335480				
vww.ompic.ma				
alidation@ompic.ma				
	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	BO n° 6333 du 9.2.2015 (version arabe)		
	relative à la protection de la propriété industrielle	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.
	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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property office	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	1. Law No. 50-XVI of 7 March 2008 on the protection of	Official Gazette		
State Agency on Intellectual Property (AGEPI) 24/1, Andrei Doga Str.	inventions, as last amended and supplemented by Law No. 254 of 01.12.2017	of the Republic of Moldova No. 117-119 of 07.03.2008		
CHIŞINĂU, MD-2024		(text in Romanian)		
Consultations: Tel. +373 22 400500	[1. Law No. 50-XVI of 7 March 2008 on the protection of inventions, as last amended and supplemented by Law		-	Law No. 50/2008
Receipt of requests: Tel. +373 22 400505 Fax +373 22 440119	No. 160 of 30 July 2015]			
agepi.gov.md/en				
office@agepi.gov.md				
	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 30.09.2016 (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. 774/1997
	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. 138/682 of 19.08.2011 (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. 612/2011
	4. Government Decision No. 528 of 1 September 2009 approving the Regulation on the procedure of filing and examination of the patent application and grant of patent, as last amended by Government Decision No.397 of 5 June 2017	Official Gazette of the Republic of Moldova No. 138- 139/593 of 08.09.2009		
	[4. Government Decision No. 528 of 1 September 2009 approving the Regulation on the procedure of filing and examination of the patent application and grant of patent, as last amended by Government Decision No.397 of 5 June 2017]		_	Gov. Dec. No. 528/2009
	last amended by Government Decision No.397 of 5 June			

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Tunisia	Information not available at time of going to press.			
	Please consult the relevant information to be published in the EPO Official Journal.			
	EPO Official Journal.			

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	Applicant can choose between EPO and national authorities (subject to section 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	Applications filed by persons having their residence or principal place of business in Albania and which are of importance for national security and defence	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Albanian	-
	Art. 87/b(1) PL	Art. 31(6), (7), 87/b(3) PL	Art. 87/b(5) PL		
Austria Österreichisches Patentamt Dresdner Str. 87 Postfach 95 1200 WIEN	Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	German	Applications may also be filed electronically.*
Tel. +43 1 53424-0 Fax +43 1 53424-535					
www.patentamt.at					
info@patentamt.at					
	§ 2 ILPT		§ 2 ILPT		
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.	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	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Official languages for correspondence with OPRI (irrespective of language of patent appli- cation): - 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.*
	Art. XI.82(1) ELC	Art XI.82(2) ELC			

^{*} Österreichisches Patentblatt, PBI. No. 9/2016, Annex 5.

 $^{^{\}star}$ See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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Bulgaria Patentno vedomstvo na Republica Bulgaria (Bulgarian Patent Office) 52B, Dr. G. M. Dimitrov Blvd. 1040 SOFIA Tel. +359 2 9701321 Fax +359 2 8735258 www.bpo.bg	Yes	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.	Bulgarian German English French	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.
	Art. 72a(1) PL	Art. 72a(2) PL	Art. 72a(1) PL		
Croatia Državni zavod za intelektualno vlasništvo (State Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Croatia) Ulica grada Vukovara 78 10000 ZAGREB	Yes	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to the affairs of defense	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Croatian	Applications may also be filed online via the SIPO HR website: https://www.dziv.hr/hr/e-usluge/epct_eolf/eolf/ Filing the applications by facsimile is not allowed.
Tel. +385 1 6106111, 6106100 Fax +385 1 6112017					
www.dziv.hr					
info@dziv.hr					
	Art. 121(1) PA	Art. 121(3) PA	Art. 121(1) PA		
Cyprus Department of Registrar of Companies and Intellectual Property Ministry of Energy, Commerce and Industry Corner Makarios III Ave. and Karpenisiou St., XENIOS Building 1427 NICOSIA	Yes	Applications by Cypriot nationals unless the priority of an earlier Cypriot application is claimed	Greek English French German	Greek	European patent applications which are not filed in Greek must be followed by a translation within 2 months.
Tel. +357 22 404301, 404302 Fax +357 22 304887					
https://www.intellectualpro perty.gov.cy					
https://www.companies.go v.cy					
markspat@ drcor.meci.gov.cy					
deptcomp@ drcor.meci.gov.cy					
	Sect. 64 PL R. 47(1) PFR	R. 47(2) PFR	R. 48(1) PFR		R. 48(2) PFR

^{*} See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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Czech Republic Industrial Property Office Antonína Čermáka 2a 160 68 PRAHA 6	Yes	Applications containing matters that must be kept secret under special regulations	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Czech	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
Tel. +420 2 20383111 Fax +420 2 24324718					
www.upv.gov.cz posta@upv.gov.cz					
@p	Art. 24(3) PA	Art. 24(4) PA			Art. 37(4) APC
Denmark Patent- og Varemærkestyrelsen Helgeshøj Allé 81 2630 TAASTRUP Tel. +45 43 508000 Fax +45 43 508001	Yes	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	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(1) EPC cf. Art. 14(2), provided at least the following is avail- able in Danish or one of the EPO's official languages:	Danish	Applications may also be filed online via the DKPTO website: www.dkpto.org/apply/apply-patent-utility-models-and-spcs.
www.dkpto.org pvs@dkpto.dk		or by a Danish institution must be filed at the DKPTO.	(a) a mention that a European patent has been requested		
			(b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted		
	§ 75(3) PA	§ 2a (1) Law No. 107/2012			
Estonia Patendiamet Estonian Patent Office Tatari 39 15041 TALLINN Tel. +372 627 7911 www.epa.ee	Yes	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Estonian	Applications may not be filed by facsimile or electronic mail
patendiamet@epa.ee	§ 3(1) IA		§ 4 IA		§ 3(3) REP

^{*} See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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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.	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
		Inventions			

^{*} See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) 15 rue des Minimes CS50001 92677 COURBEVOIE CEDEX Tel. in France: 01 56 65 89 98 Tel. from abroad: +33 1 56 65 89 98 www.inpi.fr contact@inpi.fr	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.	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	French	1. Applications claiming the priority of an earlier French application can be filed, in person or by post, at the EPO or at INPI headquarters in Courbevoie. Art. R. 614-1 Reg. 2. Applicants having their residence or principal place of business in France must file applications with INPI unless claiming the priority of an earlier French filing. Such applications must not be freely disseminated or utilised without the authorisation of the minister for industrial property. Such authorisation is automatically deemed to have been given four months after the filing date or 14 months after the priority date. Art. L. 614-4 PL 3. Applications can also be filed by fax* with the EPO or INPI; for INPI, the only number to use is: +33 1 56658600 (see decision No. 2014-67 of the INPI Director dated 22 April 2014 in the consolidated version dated 19 November 2019). 4. Applications can also be filed electronically using: (a) the EPO's online services, together with: — a smart card issued by INPI enabling the minister for defence to confidentially view the content of the applications referred to in point 2 above) or — a smart card issued by the EPO (only for the applications referred to in point 1 above) (b) INPI's "e-procedures" portal on its website; select "autres démarches". (Note that, although the filing will then be online, the EPO will not consider it an electronic filing.) Art. L. 614-4 PL Art. R. 614-1 Reg.

^{*} See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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Germany Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt 80297 MÜNCHEN Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 89 2195-2221 Deutsches Patent- und	Yes	Applications which may contain a state secret	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, Chemnitz, Dresden, Hamburg, Ilmenau, Kaiserslautern, Saarbrücken and Stuttgart.
Markenamt Dienststelle Jena 07738 JENA Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 3641 40-5690					BGBI. 1999 648, 2193 BGBI. 2000 1416 BGBI. 2001 341 BGBI. 2004 2599 BGBI. 2009 815
Deutsches Patent- und Markenamt Informations- und Dienstleistungszentrum Berlin 10958 BERLIN Tel. +49 89 2195-1000					BGBI. 2016 I 1137 BGBI. 2017 I 3807 BI.f.PMZ 1999, 169, 325 BI.f.PMZ 2000, 353 BI.f.PMZ 2001, 114 BI.f.PMZ 2004, 478 BI.f.PMZ 2009, 201 BI.f.PMZ 2016, 217
Fax +49 30 25 992-404 www.dpma.de info@dpma.de					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 a qualified electronic signature within the meaning of Article 3(12) of Regulation (EU) No. 910/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 July 2014 on electronic identification and trust services for electronic transactions in the internal market and repealing Directive 1999/93/EC (OJ L 257 of 28.8.2014, p. 73), or an advanced electronic signature within the meaning ofArticle 3(11) of that Regulation 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

Contracting state Central industrial property office	Applicant can choose between EPO and national authorities (subject to section 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
	Art. II § 4(1) LIPC	Art. II § 4(2) LIPC			formats and electronic signatures) are given on the DPMA website: www.dpma.de (§§ 3(2) and 4 OELDDPMA).
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	First filings of European patent applications originating from Greek nationals residing in Greece or abroad have to be filed with OBI.	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC (see also section 5)	Greek	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. 19(3) 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. 3 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 23(1) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 3(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 1 and 2 Law No. 4325/63	Art. 4(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88		Art. 4(1), (2), 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Law No. 4325/63

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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	
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.sztnh.gov.hu/eBej2/step1.	
Iceland Hugverkastofan Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) Engjateigur 3 105 REYKJAVIK Tel. +354 580-9400 www.isipo.is, www.hugverk.is isipo@isipo.is, hugverk@hugverk.is	Yes Art. 75(3) PA	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Icelandic	The Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) accepts electronic filing via <i>epoline®</i> Online Filing. Information on how to apply for a smart card accepted by the ISIPO is available on the ISIPO website.	
Ireland Intellectual Property Office of Ireland Government Buildings Hebron Road KILKENNY R95 H4XC Tel. +353 56 7720111 Fax +353 56 7720100 www.ipoi.gov.ie ipinfo@ipoi.gov.ie	Yes Sect. 120(7) PA	-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Irish English	Applications may be filed by facsimile.*	

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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 Ianguage(s)	5 Special features
Italy Ufficio Italiano Brevetti e Marchi (UIBM) Ministero delle Imprese e del Made in Italy Via Molise 19 00187 ROMA Tel. +39 06 4705-5800 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 filling abroad	European first applications filed by applicants having a residence or their principal place of business in Italy	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. 17, 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). For more information about costs and ways of filing: https://uibm.mise.gov.it/index.php/it/brevetti/brevetto-europeo
	Art. 149 PL	Art. 149 PL			Art. 149 PL Art. 7 Min. Decr. No. 33
Latvia Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia Citadeles iela 7/70 RIGA, LV1010	Yes	Art 70(2) PL	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Latvian	Filing the applications by electronic media is not allowed.
Tel. +371 6 7099600					
www.lrpv.gov.lv					
pasts@lrpv.gov.lv					
	Art. 69(1) PL		Art. 69(1) PL		
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	•	•	•	•
Lithuania The State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania Kalvarijų g. 3 09310 VILNIUS	Yes	Applications containing a professional or state secret	All the languages pursuant to Art.14(2) EPC	Lithuanian	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed.
Tel. +370 5 2780290 Fax +370 5 2750723					
https://vpb.lrv.lt					
info@vpb.gov.lt					
	Art. 77(1) PL	Art. 77(4) PL			
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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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
Luxembourg Ministère de l'Économie Office de la propriété intellectuelle 19-21, boulevard Royal 2914 LUXEMBOURG	Yes	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to national security	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	French German Luxembourgish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
Tel. +352 247-84113 Fax +352 247-94113					
www.gouvernement.lu/pi					
dpi@eco.etat.lu					
	Art. 7 Law of 27.5.77	Art. 8 Law of 27.5.77 Law of 8.7.67 Reg. of 18.9.69			
Malta Industrial Property	Yes	Applications that may affect the	All the languages pursuant to	Maltese English	Filing the applications by facsimile is not allowed.
Registrations Directorate Commerce Department The Ministry for the Economy, European		where priority is	on 5)	A transmittal fee (EUR 46.59 plus postage) is payable when filing the application.	
Funds and Lands (Malta) Lascaris Bastions Dalet Daħlet Ġnien is- Sultan VALLETTA, VLT 1933		filing in Malta.			European patent applications which are not filed in Maltese or English must be followed within one month by an English translation of
Tel. +356 2569 0100, 2122 6688					(a) a mention that a European patent has been requested
www.commerce.gov.mt ipoffice@gov.mt					(b) information enabling the applicant to be identified or contacted.
	R. 5(3) L.N. 99/2007	R. 5(3) L.N. 99/2007	R. 5(1) L.N. 99/2007	R. 5 L.N. 117/2002	
Monaco Direction de l'Expansion Économique Division de la Propriété Intellectuelle 9 Rue du Gabian 98000 MONACO	Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	French	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
Tel. +377 98989801 Fax +377 92057520					
https://mcipo.gouv.mc					
mcipo@gouv.mc					
	Art. 1 SO No. 10.427		Art. 1 MD		Art. 1 MD

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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
Montenegro Ministarstvo ekonomskog razvoja i turizma Direktorat za unutrašnje tržište i konkurenciju Rimski trg 46 81000 PODGORICA Tel. +382 20 234 591 www.gov.me/mek natasa.vukasinovic@ mek.gov.me	A European patent application can be filed with the EPO or a competent authority.	If the competent authority establishes, at first glance, that an application submitted by a citizen of Montenegro or a natural person who has a permanent residence in Montenegro refers to an invention of importance for the defence and security of Montenegro, within the meaning of Article 124 of the Patent Law of Montenegro, it will act in accordance with the special regulations governing secret inventions and will not forward the European patent application to the EPO.	A European patent application submitted to the competent authority can be filed in any language under Article 14 EPC; a translation into Montenegrin is then mandatory. It can, of course, also be filed in Montenegrin.	Montenegrin	
	Art. 150(1) PL	Art. 150b(3) PL	Art. 150b(5) PL		
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	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"
		Art. 46 PA			
North Macedonia State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) Str. Dame Gruev, No. 14 1000 SKOPJE Tel. +389 2 3103601 Fax +389 2 3137149 www.ippo.gov.mk info@ippo.gov.mk	Yes	Applications relating to inventions of relevance to national security	Macedonian English French German	Macedonian	-
	Art. 119 PL	Art. 71, 72, 73 and 120 PL	Art. 120(1) PL		

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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
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	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	A person having its registered office or place of residence in the Republic of Poland may file a patent application for an invention so as to obtain protection abroad, through the Polish Patent Office ("the PPO") after filing an application for this invention with the Patent Office.	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.	Polish	Applications may also be filed by facsimile or in an electronic form. Where an application is sent by facsimile, the original copy of the application shall be delivered to the PPO within 30 days of the date of sending the application by facsimile. For European patent applications the PPO 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. 40 IPL	Art. 3 EPAL		Art. 13(2-3) IPL

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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
Portugal Instituto Nacional da Propriedade Industrial (INPI) Campo das Cebolas 1149-035 LISBOA Tel. +351 21 8818100 Fax: +351 21 8869859	Yes	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 appli-	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC.	Portuguese	Applications can be filed on paper or electronically through the INPI electronic filing tool. Applications 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.
https://inpi.justica.gov.pt servico.publico@inpi.pt		cation.			A transmittal fee (EUR 21.82) 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.
	Art. 78(1) PA	Art. 78(2) PA	Art. 79(1) PA		Fees Res. Art. 79(2) PA
Romania State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) 5, Ion Ghica Street 030044 BUCUREŞTI 3 Tel. +40 21 3060-800 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).	EP applications for inventions made in Romania and with subject-matter of significance for national security must be filed with the OSIM	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Romanian	Filing the applications by facsimile is not allowed.
	Art. 3 AccEPCLaw	Art. 4(2) AccEPCLaw	Art. 4(1) AccEPCLaw		
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	No European patent applications have to be filed with the EPO (see OJ EPO 2019, A96).	n/a	n/a	Italian	-
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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
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 patent applications except for European divisional applications (Art. 76(1) EPC) and new European patent applications referred to in Art. 61(1)(b) EPC, which must be filed directly with the European Patent Office.	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14 EPC	Serbian	Filing the applications by facsimile or other electronic media is not allowed.
		Art. 146(4) PL	Art. 146(6) PL		Art. 20 Rules
Slovakia Úrad priemyselného vlastníctva Slovenskej republiky Švermova 43 974 04 BANSKÁ BYSTRICA 4 Tel. +421 48 4300-131 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	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Slovak	Filing of applications by facsimile is not allowed. 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 ulica 6 p.p.206 1000 LJUBLJANA Tel. +386 1 6203100 Fax +386 1 6203111 https://www.gov.si/drzavniorgani/organi-v-sestavi/uradza-intelektualno-lastnino/ sipo@uil-sipo.si	Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Slovenian	Applications may also be filed by facsimile.*
	Art. 25(1) IPA		Art. 25(1) IPA		Art. 80(2) IPA

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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
Spain Oficina Española de Patentes y Marcas Paseo de la Castellana, 75 28046 MADRID Tel. +34 902 157530 +34 91 0780780 Fax +34 91 3495597 www.oepm.es informacion@oepm.es	Yes	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)	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 V5.0.13 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: docs.epoline.org/epoline/products/olf5/2021/olf513.exe All the relevant details can be found (in Spanish) at: sede.oepm.gob.es/comun/archivosEnlazados/Manual-y-documentacion-de-OnlineFiling.pdf Art. 152.4 NPL Art. 93 RD 316
Sweden Patent- och registreringsverket (Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)) Box 5055 102 42 STOCKHOLM Tel. +46 8 7822800 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 Granskningsnämnden 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

^{*} See decision of the President of the EPO: OJ EPO 2019, A18.

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	4 Official language(s)	5 Special features
		applications must or may be filed with national authorities		
Yes	n/a	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Switzerland: German French Italian Liechtenstein: German	Filing by email only to the following address specified by the IPI: patent.admin@ekomm.ipi.ch.
Art. 115 PO				
Yes	Applications relating to inventions which have been made in Turkiye and which are of importance for national security	All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	Turkish	European patent applications filed by persons not having their resi- dence or principal place of business in Turkiye may file the application in one of the languages indicated in section 3, but must indicate an address for service in Turkiye.
R. 6 RegEPC	R. 6 RegEPC	R. 6 RegEPC		R. 6 RegEPC
Y		Applications relating to inventions which have been made in Turkiye and which are of importance for national security	Applications relating to inventions which have been made in Turkiye and which are of importance for national security All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC	rt. 115 PO es Applications relating to inventions which have been made in Turkiye and which are of importance for national security All the languages pursuant to Art. 14(2) EPC Turkish

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Contracting state Central industrial property office	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 Ianguage(s)	5 Special features	
United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (IPO) Concept House Cardiff Road NEWPORT South Wales NP10 8QQ Tel. +44 1633 814000 or Intellectual Property Office (IPO) London Branch Office 3rd Floor 10 Victoria Street LONDON SW1H 0NB www.gov.uk/government/ organisations/intellectual- property-office information@ipo.gov.uk	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 be filed online, via the IPO's webfiling service at: www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-patent. Applications may also be filed by email to: Forms@ipo.gov.uk. Details are available from: www.gov.uk/apply-for-a-patent. 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	

- 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 abovementioned 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.

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Albania	Yes	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			Art. 87/ç(2) PL
Austria	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Reasonable consideration	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
	§ 4(1) ILPT	§ 4(1) ILPT	§ 4(2) ILPT	§ 4(2) ILPT
Belgium	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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, 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***	Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	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)	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances	Yes	The right arises on the date the mention of the filing of the translation is published in the Official Bulletin.
	Art. 72b(3), Art. 18 PL	Art. 72b(3), Art. 18(3) PL	Art. 72b(2) PL	Art. 72b PL
Croatia	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 123(2) PA	Art. 95(1) PA	Art. 123(2) PA	Art. 123(2) PA
Cyprus	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Reasonable compensation, possibly interlocutory remedies and invalidation. The court hearing the infringement action can stay proceedings until the patent is granted.	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. 28(1) PL	Sect. 28(2), 61(2), 72(1) PL	Sect. 65 PL	Sect. 65 PL
Czech Republic	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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, and notice of the fact is published in "Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví" (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office)
	Art. 35a(4), 11(3) PA	Art. 35a(4), 11(3) PA	Art. 35a(4) PA	Art. 35a(4) PA

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

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Hungary	Yes	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.	Yes	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	Art. 19, 35(2), (3) and 36(1) PA	Art. 84/E(1) PA	Art. 84/E(1) PA
Iceland	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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. 83 PA	Art. 58(2), 83(2) PA	Art. 83(1) PA	Art. 83(2) PA
Ireland	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Damages; action 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. 44, 56, 120 PA	Sect. 56 PA	Sect. 120(6) PA	Sect. 56(1), 120(6) PA

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Italy	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Damages; possibly destruction and seizure of the articles infringing the patent application and anything used in the making thereof	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
	Art. 54 PL	Art. 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132 PL	Art. 54 PL	Art. 54 PL
Latvia	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances	Yes	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 PL	Art. 18(2) PL	Art. 70(2) PL	Art. 70(2)(3) PL
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	1		
Lithuania	Yes (Art. 67(3)(a) EPC)	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances	Yes	Date of publication of translation of the claims in the official bulletin
	Art. 78(2) PL	Art. 52(1) PL	Art. 78(2) PL	Art. 78(2) PL
Luxembourg	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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, or communicated to the user
	Art. 3(1) Law of 27.5.77	Art. 3(2) Law of 27.5.77	Art. 4(1) Law of 27.5.77	Art. 92(1) PL
Malta	Yes (Art 67(1) EPC)	The same rights as national applications	No	n/a
	Art. 28 PA 2000 R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	Art. 27 PA 2000 R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007		
Monaco	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Damages and possibly fine; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application	Yes	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 SO No. 10.427	Art. 44, 45, 48, 50 PA	Art. 2(2) SO No. 10.427	Art. 2(2) SO No. 10.427

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?
Montenegro	The published European patent application provides the applicant with the same rights as a published national patent application in Montenegro from the date the applicant submits a translation of the patent claims of the published European patent application into the Montenegrin language to the person using the invention in Montenegro.	A published European patent application which has been accorded a filing date and designates Montenegro is identical to a regular national patent application. The European patent designating Montenegro provides the same rights as a national patent from the date when the European Patent Office publishes the information on the grant of the European Patent Bulletin.	The patent holder is obliged to submit to the competent authority a request for registration of the European patent in the Patent Register and a translation of the claims of the granted European patent into Montenegrin and to pay the prescribed compensation for the special costs of publication and printing of the translation of the claims.	The published European patent application provides the applicant with the same rights as a published national patent application in Montenegro from the date the applicant submits a translation of the patent claims of the published European patent application into the Montenegrin language to the person using the invention in Montenegro.
	Art.150c(2)	Art. 150d(2) and Art. 150e(1)	Art. 150c(2)	Art. 150d(2)
Netherlands	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances	Yes	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(1), (2) PA	Art. 72(1), (2) PA	Art. 72(3) PA	Art. 72(3) PA
North Macedonia	Yes	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
		Art. 291, 294, 295, 296 PL	Art. 122(2), (3) PL	
Norway	Yes	Compensation most favourable for applicant (§ 58(1)(a)-(c) PL)	Yes	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 PL	§§ 66g(2), 58(1) and (2) PL	§ 66g (1) PL	§ 66g (1) and (2) PL

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC is necessary?		
Poland	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	A right holder whose patent has been infringed, or another person permitted by the provisions of the Act, may request the infringing party to cease infringing his rights, deliver up the unlawfully earned benefits, and in the case of a culpable infringement, to remedy the damage inflicted:	Yes	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)		
		1) on general terms or				
		2) through payment of cash in the amount corresponding to the licence fee or other relevant remuneration which would be due on the pursuing of the claim for the right holder's consent to exploit the invention.				
		The court, in its adjudication on patent infringement, may rule, on the petition of the right holder, that part of or the whole ruling or information on the ruling may be made publicly available to the extent and in the manner determined by the court.				
		The court may order a person who has infringed a patent, at his request, where the infringement is inadvertent, to pay a relevant sum of money to the right holder if the cessation of infringement or adjudication would be incommensurately severe to the infringing party and the payment of the sum of money duly guards the interest of the right holder.				
	Art. 4 (2) EPAL Art. 287 IPL	Art. 287 IPL	Art. 4 (2) EPAL	Art. 4(2) EPAL		

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	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)	Article 80 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."	Yes	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. 80(1), 5(1), (2), (3) PA	Art. 80(1), (2), (3) PA	Art. 80(1) PA	Art. 80(1), (2), 5(1), (2) PA
Romania	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Damages; action 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
	Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw Art. 33 PL	Art. 59(4) PL	Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw	Art. 5(2) AccEPCLaw
San Marino	Yes (Art. 67 EPC)	Rights identical to those conferred by a national patent (cessation of infringement, redress in respect of its consequences, surrender of unlawfully obtained profits and compensation for damages)	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 of 23 december 2014	Art. 118, 121 PA		Art. 4(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009 as modified by Art. 31 Law No. 219/2014

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Contracting state	1 Provisional protection under Art. 67 EPC	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary pursuant to Art. 67(3) EPC?	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)	Damages; action may be brought from the date on which the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia (Art. 148(2), 150(4) PL).	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user in Serbia
	Art. 148(2), 150(4) PL	Art. 132 PL	Art. 148(2) PL	Art. 148(2), 150(4) PL
Slovakia	Yes (Art. 67(3)(a) EPC)	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.	Yes	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	§ 15(1) and 60(3) PA	§ 60 PA	§ 60(3) PA
Slovenia	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent.	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 26(2), 122(4) IPA	Art. 122(4) IPA	Art. 26(2) IPA	Art. 26(2) IPA
Spain	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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. 67 and 153 NPL	Art. 67 NPL	Art. 154 NPL Art. 94 RD 316	Art. 154 NPL
Sweden	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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, and notice of the fact is published in the Swedish Patent Bulletin
	§ 88(2) PA	§ 58, 87, 88(2) PA	§ 88(1) PA	§ 88(2) PA
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent.	No	n/a
	Art. 111 PA	Art. 111(2), 73(3) PA		
Türkiye	Yes (Art. 67(3) EPC)	Damages; possibly seizure of the articles infringing the patent application	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
	R. 8 RegEPC	Art. 137 DL No. 551 Art. 156 IPL	R. 9 RegEPC	R. 8 RegEPC

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United Kingdom	Yes (Art. 67(1) EPC)	Damages; court proceed- ings 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

Extension state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Yes	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL	Art. 69(1) PL	Art. 5(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(2) PL	Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL

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Former extension state	Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	Rights conferred	Translation of the claims necessary?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Albania	Yes	Compensation reasonable	Yes	When the translation of the claims
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)		in the circumstances		is communicated to the person using the invention in Albania
	Art. 81(1)(2) PL	Art. 27 PL	Art. 81(2) PL	Art. 81(2) PL
Croatia	Yes	Damages in accordance	Yes	When the translation of the claims
(The extension system continues to apply to Euro- pean and interna- tional patent appli- cations filed before 1 January 2008.)		with the general rules for compensation of damage		is communicated to the user
	Art. 123(2) PA	Art. 95(1) PA	Art. 123(2) PA	Art. 123(2) PA
Latvia	Yes	Compensation reasonable	Yes	When the translation of the claims
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)		in the circumstances		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	R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2), 18(2), 18(3) PL	R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2), (3) PL	R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL
Lithuania	Yes	Compensation reasonable	Yes	When the translation of the claims
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)		in the circumstances		is communicated to the user
. 2000	Art. 70(2) PL	Art. 52(1) PL	Art. 70(2) PL	Art. 70(2) PL

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Former extension state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Montenegro	Yes (Art. 67(2) EPC)	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.	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 144(2) PL	Art. 144(2) and (3) in conj. with Art. 45(2) PL	Art. 144(2) PL	Art. 144(2) PL
North Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	Yes	Damages in accordance with the general rules for compensation of damage	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.	Art. 201, 202, 203, 204 PL	Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.	Art. 4(2) Ext. Reg.
Romania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	Yes	Damages; action may only be brought after grant of the patent.	Yes	When the translation of the claims is made available to the public by OSIM (see table III.B, section 5)
	Art. 33 PL Art. IV.2 GO	Art. 59(4) PL	Art. IV.2 GO	Art. 34 PL Art. IV.2 GO

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Former extension state	Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	When does the right referred to in section 1 arise if a translation referred to in section 3 is necessary?
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	Yes	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.	Yes	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.	Art. 132 PL	Art. 123(2) PL Ext.	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	Compensation reasonable in the circumstances; action may only be brought after grant of a patent.	Yes	When the translation of the claims is communicated to the user
	Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.	Art. 122(4) IPA	Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.	Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.

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Validation state	1 Provisional protection conferred by the European patent application after publication	2 Rights conferred	3 Translation of the claims necessary?	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	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	Yes	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	Art. 44, 51, 202, 211, 212 Law No. 17-97	Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97	Art. 50.3 Law No. 17-97
Republic of Moldova	Yes	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:	Yes	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.
		(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;		
	Art. 44 ¹ (3) Law No. 50/2008	in the territory of the Republic of Moldova. Art. 19(1), 20(2) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ¹ (3) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ¹ (3) Law No. 50/2008
Tunisia	Information not available at	time of going to press. Information to be published in	the EPO Official Journal	
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Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	(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	(a) ALL 7 000	Albanian	(a) Yes
	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP	(b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		(b) 2
	Art. 195(2) PL	Art. 87/ç PL Fees Decr.	Art. 87/ç(2) PL	
Austria	Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria.	(a) EUR 186 (including EUR 30 document fees) plus EUR 135 for every 15 pages following the 16th page of the	German	(a) No (b) 1
	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.	translation For sequence listings forming a separate part of the translated description, the fee is charged for up to a		
	(The requirement that the appointed person be resident in Austria can be waived in certain	maximum of 400 pages. Fee reduced by EUR 20 for electronic filing.		
	cases.)	(b) Date on which translation is filed		
		The translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		
	§ 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	§ 4(2) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF	§ 4(2) ILPT	

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	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000	-		
Art. 87/ç(2) PL	Art. 87/dh(3) PL			
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin (Patentblatt)	(a) Yes (b) Yes, as in section 2	The publication fee is deemed to have been paid only when proof of payment has duly been provided.		
§ 4(2) ILPT	§ 6(2)-(4) ILPT § 8, 8a LPOF	§ 30 LPOF § 8(5) POR		

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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	(a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
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 EEA. 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 EEA member state and are authorised to practise in a 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 EEA may be represented in patent matters before the OPRI by an employee, who need not be a professional representative but must be authorised.	(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)	(a) No (b) 1
	Art. XI.62, XI.64, XI.65 ELC		Art. 2(3) Law of 21.4.07* Art. 3(3) Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***	Art. 3(1) RD of 5.12.07* Art. 4(1) RD of 27.2.81** Art. XI.82(3) ELC***
Bulgaria	Yes Applicants who are not established in the Republic of Bulgaria or in another Member State of the European Union, in a state - party to the European Economic Area Agreement or in the Swiss Confederation, are required to act before the Patent Office through a lawyer or an industrial property representative Art. 3(1) PL, 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
Croatia	n/a	(a) No (b) n/a	Croatian	(a) n/a (b) n/a

 $^{^{\}star}$ 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.

6 Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	7 Special features
(b) Special fee payable:	
(a) Yes (errors of transcription) (b) No	The translation must be accompanied by a separate sheet indicating 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. 6 RD of 5.12.07* Art. 7 RD of 27.2.81** Art. 7 RD of 12.5.15***	Art. 3 RD of 5.12.07** Art. 3 RD of 12.5.15***
(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. 72d(3) PL	Art. 72b(2), 72d(3)(4) PL
(a) Yes (b) No	The translation is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer. Art. 123(2) PA
	Art. 6 RD of 5.12.07* Art. 7 RD of 27.2.81** Art. 7 RD of 12.5.15*** (a) Yes (b) Fee for publication of the mention of the correction in the Official Bulletin: BGN 45 Art. 72d(3) PL (a) Yes

1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	(a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	(a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Yes	(a) EUR 100	Greek	(a) Yes, Form P.18
Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Cyprus must appoint a professional representative resident in Cyprus.	(b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		(b) 1
Sect. 79(2) PL	R. 53(1) PFR	R. 53(2) PFR	R. 53 PFR
Yes	(a) CZK 500	Czech	(a) No
Applicants with neither residence	(b) Date on which translation is		(b) 1
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.	The translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		
Art. 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession	Art. 35a(4) PA	Art. 35a(4) PA	
No	(a) No	Danish	(a) No, but recommended
	(b) n/a		(b) 1
		§ 83(1) PA	
	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Cyprus must appoint a professional representative resident in Cyprus. Sect. 79(2) PL 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. Art. 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Cyprus must appoint a professional representative resident in Cyprus. Sect. 79(2) PL R. 53(1) PFR 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. Art. 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession No (a) EUR 100 (b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. (b) Mention of the filing of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. (a) CZK 500 (b) Date on which translation is filled The translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 35a(4) PA Art. 35a(4) PA	representative be appointed? (b) If so, when due? the translation must be filled Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Cyprus must appoint a professional representative resident in Cyprus. Sect. 79(2) PL R. 53(1) PFR R. 53(2) PFR 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. Art. 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession No (a) EUR 100 (b) Mention of the filling of the translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Czech (b) Date on which translation is not published until the fee has been paid. Art. 35a(4) PA Art. 35a(4) PA Art. 35a(4) PA Art. 35a(4) PA Danish

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(a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	Special features
(a) Yes (Form P.5)	Proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation.
(b) EUR 100	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.
Sect. 67 PL R. 6(2), 13(1) PFR	R. 53(4) PFR
(a) Yes	The translation must contain
	- the name and address of the applicant
	- the EP application and publication number
	- the title of the invention in Czech.
Art. 35a(6) PA	
(a) Yes (b) No § 86(2) and § 98(7) PA § 93 PO	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. § 91 PO
	(a) Yes (b) No (a) Yes (b) No (a) Yes (b) No (a) Yes (b) No

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
Estonia	No, but it is recommended (see also section 7).	(a) EUR 32 (b) Date on which translation is filed	Estonian	(a) No (see also section 7) (b) 2
	§ 19 REP	§ 6 IA § 109(1) FA	§ 6 IA	§ 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.	(a) No (b) 1
France	No, but natural persons or legal persons not having their residence or place in business in an EU member state or in an EEA state must appoint a professional representative. Art. R 612-2 Reg.	(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 (as amended 6.3.20)	French Art. L. 614-9 PL	(a) No (b) 1 INPI Notice in PIBD 1995 IV 128

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Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public	Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable?	Special features
Mention in "Eesti Patendileht" (Official Gazette)	(a) Yes (b) No	A request for publication and proof of payment of the fee must be submitted with the translation.
Copies available	(5) 110	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.
§ 6 IA	§ 9 IA	§§ 19 to 22 REP
Published in electronic form	(a) Yes	The EP application number and the name and address of the applica
Copies available	(b) No	must accompany the translation. Otherwise the translation is deemed not to have been filed.
Mention in "Patenttilehti" (Finnish patent bulletin)		
Entry in a separate diary, open to the public		
§ 70n PA §§ 52t, 52x PD	§ 70q PA	§ 52v PD
Notice of the filing of the translation appears in the official bulletin (BOPI)	(a) Yes (b) EUR 36	A request for publication and proof of payment of the requisite fee mube submitted with the translation.
Art. R. 614-11 Reg.	Art. L. 614-10 PL Art. R. 614-12 and R. 614-18 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 (as amended 6.3.20)	Art. R. 614-11 Reg.

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	(a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?	3 Language(s) in which the translation must be filed	(a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
Germany	No	(a) EUR 60 (b) Within three months of receipt of the request for publication Art. II § 2(1) LIPC §§ 3(1), 6(1) LPF No. 313800 Fees Schedule LPF	German Art. II § 1(2) LIPC	(a) Yes, EPA/DPMA 110/9.18 (see also section 7) www.dpma.de/patent/ formulare/ formulareeuropaeischundin ternational/index.html (b) 1 §§ 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 authorized to do so (i.e. a certified translator of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at http://metafraseis.services.gov.gr/).	(a) Yes (www.obi.gr/el/ euresitexnies/formes- aitisis) (b) 2 (see also section 7)
	Art. 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 9(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 31.8.2016	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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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
Published in the form of a printed patent document	(a) Yes	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.
Mention in the patent bulletin (Patentblatt)	(b) EUR 60	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	Art. II § 2(1) LIPC No. 313800 Fees Schedule LPF	Art. II § 2(1) LIPC § 6(2) LPF § 3 Publ. Reg.
Publication in EDBI	(a) Yes	The EP application and publication numbers, the applicant's name and
Public inspection	The issue number and the date of	address and the title of the invention in Greek must be submitted with the translation.
Copies available	the first publication in EDBI must be indicated. (b) No	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(5) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 13(4) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	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)	(a) Yes (b) HUF 23 500 plus HUF 3 500 for sixth and each subsequent page of the translation	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.
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	Art. 84/K(1) to (3) PA Art. 12(1) to (3) PForm Art. 4(3) FeeDecr	Art. 53/D, 84/E(3) PA Art. 2(2)-(5) and 10(3) PForm

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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
Iceland	Yes, an applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have a representative 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.	(a) No (b) n/a	Icelandic	(a) No (b) 1
	Art. 12 PA		Art. 83(1) PA	
Ireland	No, but recommended (see also section 7)	(a) No (b) n/a	English (see also section 7)	(a) No (b) 1
	R. 92, 93(1) PR S.I. 579/2015, S.I. 580/2015		Sect. 120(6) PA	
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	(a) Yes (b) 1
	Art. 147 (3bis) PL		Art. 54 PL	
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 IPL	(a) EUR 50 (b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has not been paid. Art. 71(2)(6) PL 7 Fees Reg.	Latvian Art. 71(2) PL	(a) Yes (b) 1
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland			

Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the public Mention in "Hugverkatíðindi" Icelandic IP Gazette) Copies available Art. 83(1) PA Art. 57, 81 PR Inspection at the IPOI Copies available	Correction of translation (a) permitted? (b) Special fee payable? (a) Yes (b) No Art. 86 PA	Special features 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
Icelandic IP Gazette) Copies available Art. 83(1) PA Art. 57, 81 PR Inspection at the IPOI	(b) No Art. 86 PA	accompanied by the application number and the applicant's name and address, otherwise it will be deemed not to have been submitted.
Art. 83(1) PA Art. 57, 81 PR nspection at the IPOI	Art. 86 PA	
Art. 57, 81 PR nspection at the IPOI		Art. 57 PR
·	(a) Yes	I and the second
Copies available		Where there are proceedings before the IPOI, applicants with neither
	(b) No	residence nor place of business in the EEA must be represented by an authorised patent agent and must give an address for service in the EEA which may be that of a patent agent.
		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.
Sect. 100(3), 120(6) PA R. 65 PR	Sect. 121(3) PA R. 85 PR Patent Fees Rules	R. 92, 93(1) PR S.I. 579/2015, S.I. 580/2015
nspection in reading room	(a) Yes	The translations must be filed
Copies available	(b) No	(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.
	Art. 57(4) PL	
Publication of the translation of	(a) Yes	The publication of the translation contains
he claims in the official bulletin of he LV Patent Office	(b) Yes, the same as for publication	- bibliographic data as in the published European patent application
	of the translation of claims	- the name and address of the professional representative in Latvia
		- the title of the invention in Latvian
Art. 71(5) PL	Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	Art. 38(1) PL

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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	(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.	(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.	Lithuanian	(a) No (b) 2
		Art. 78(2) PL	Art. 78(2) PL	
Luxembourg	No	(a) EUR 14 (b) Date on which translation is filed	French or German	(a) No (b) 1
	Art. 93 PL	Art. 2(3) Reg. of 9.5.78	Art. 92(2) PL	Art. 2 Reg. of 9.5.78
Malta	It is not necessary to appoint a national professional representative. Foreign applicants whose permanent residence or business is not in any EU member state must appoint an agent who has his/her ordinary residence or principal place of business in Malta to represent them.	n/a	English or Maltese	(a) Yes (b) 1
Monaco	No	(a) No (b) n/a	French	(a) No (b) 1 (see section 7)
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).	(a) No (b) n/a	Montenegrin	(a) Yes (b) 2
	Art. 4 PL		Art. 144(2) PL	
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
North Macedonia	Yes, for foreign applicants	(a) No (b) n/a	Macedonian	(a) No (b) 2

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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
Translation published in the official bulletin online at http://vpb.lrv.lt or Inspection at the State Patent Bureau (in paper form)	(a) Yes (b) EUR 34	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.
Art. 78(2) PL	Art. 80(3) PL	
Entry in the patent register Inspection in the register online at: patent.public.lu	(a) Yes (b) EUR 14	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(4) Reg. of 9.5.78	Art. 4(2) Law of 27.5.77 Art. 2(5) Reg. of 9.5.78	Art. 2(1) Reg. of 9.5.78
_	(a) Yes (b) Yes	-
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).
Mention in the Intellectual Property Gazette	(a) Yes (b) Yes	
Entry in the patent register Mention in "De Industriële Eigendom"	(a) No provisions laid down (b) No	-
Art. 72(5), 20(1) PA		
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.

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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
Norway	No	(a) No (b) n/a	Norwegian	(a) No (b) 1
			§ 66g(1) PL	
Poland	Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation.	(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	(a) No (b) 1
	Art. 236(3) IPL		Art. 4(2) EPAL Art. 223(1-2) IPL Annex no. 1 item I 13 Fees Reg.	§ 13(1) FPR in conjunction with Art. 2 EPAL
Portugal	No However, under Article 83 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.	(a) Fee for provisional protection: - EUR 54.54 if filed online, - EUR 109.08 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.	Portuguese	(a) Yes, if filed on paper: INPI presentation form PatMut3 (b) 1
	Art. 10 PA	Fees Res. Art. 80(1) PA	Art. 80(1) PA	
Romania	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Romania must appoint a representative authorized to act before the OSIM.	(a) EUR 60 or RON 297 (b) Date on which translation is filed	Romanian	(a) No, but recommended (b) 3
	Art. 39 PL	Annex 1.29 Fees Ord.		

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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
Mention in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Internet Copies available	(a) Yes (b) No	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.
§ 66g(1) PL	§§ 60(2), 66j(1) PL § 33 Fees Reg.	§ 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).	(a) Yes (b) No	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.
Art. 4(2-4) EPAL	Art. 7(3) in conjunction with Art. 4(2) EPAL	
Mention in the Industrial Property Bulletin Inspection in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes (b) EUR 27.27 if filed online, EUR 54.54 if filed on paper	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Portugal must have the translation prepared by a professional representative before INPI.
Art. 80(2), (3) PA	Art. 87(1) PA Fees Res.	Art. 83 PA
Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 30 or RON 148	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
	Art. 7(2) AccEPCLaw Annex 1.30 Fees Ord.	

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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	(a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to be filed
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
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Serbia	n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	Serbian	(a) n/a (b) n/a
			Art. 148(2) PL	
Slovakia	Yes, for natural or legal persons not having their residence or principal place of business in the Slovak Republic	(a) EUR 10 (b) Date on which translation is filed	Slovak	(a) No (b) 1
	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.	The translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		
	Representation by an appointed agent or a patent attorney authorised to practise before the Slovak Industrial Property Office			
	§ 79 (2) PA	§ 8(1) + Schedule of Fees, item 216a(b) Fees Law § 60(2) PA	§ 60(2) PA	
Slovenia	No	(a) No	Slovenian	n/a
		(b) n/a		
			Art. 26(2) IPA	
Spain	No, if applicant resides in Spain or in a country of the EU. Requirements in section 7 must be observed.	(a) EUR 109.97 for translations on paper, EUR 93.48 in electronic form Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year.	Spanish (see section 7)	(a) Yes (b) 1
		(b) When filing the translation. In the case of non-payment, the OEPM will require that the fee be paid within 2 months of issue of this requirement.		
		The translation is not published until the fee has been paid.		
	Art. 175 NPL	Art. 154 and 155 NPL NPL Annex	Art. 154 NPL	

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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
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No	-
n/a	(a) Yes (b) No	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer.
Art. 148(2), 150(4) PL	Art. 150(4) PL	Art. 148(2), 150(4) PL
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
Translation in the form of a specification, accessible via the INVENES database (consultas2.oepm.es/InvenesWeb/faces/busquedaInternet.jsp:jsessionid=cum2LDzkWUuQhh16FjRNNduE.srvvarsovia1) Copies available on payment of a fee Mention in "Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial" Entry in the patent register	(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

Contracting state	1 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	(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
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	Swedish § 88(1) PA	(a) No (b) 1
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	n/a	§ 45 PD	§ 39 POR	n/a
Türkiye	Yes; applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Turkiye must appoint an authorised professional representative.	(a) TRY 8910* (b) Date on which translation is filed with the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office	Turkish	(a) Yes (b) 1
	R. 9 RegEPC	Fees 2023		
United Kingdom	No The authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation (see also section 7).	(a) No (b) n/a	English	(a) Yes, Form 54 in duplicate (b) 2
	R. 103 PR	Schedule 1 to PFR	Sect. 78(7) PA	R. 56 PR

^{*} All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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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
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	-
Mention of the filing of the translation in the official patent bulletin ("Resmi Patent Bülteni") Inspection in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes (b) No	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. 10 RegEPC	R. 16 RegEPC	R. 9, 12 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 United Kingdom, Gibraltar 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

Extension state	ations for obtaining provisional protect 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	(b) No. of copies to be filed
Bosnia and Herzegovina	n/a	n/a	Bosnian Serbian Croatian	(a) n/a (b) n/a

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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
n/a	(a) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer.
	(b) n/a	
		Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex
		Art. 4(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 87(2) PL

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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	n/a
			Art. 81(2) PL	
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
 Latvia	Yes	(a) EUR 50	Latvian	(a) Yes
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	(b) Date on which translation is filed The translation is not published until the fee has not been paid.		(b) 1
	Art. 116(3), 117 IPL	Art. 71(2)(6) PL R. 7 Fees Reg.	Art. 71(2) PL	
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
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) 2
North 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

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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
n/a	(a) Yes (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer.
		Art. 83(3) PL
n/a	(a) yes (b) no	The translation is to be notified by the applicant to the alleged infringer.
		Art. 123(2) PA
Publication of the translation of the claims in the official bulletin of the LV Patent Office	(a) Yes (b) Yes, the same as for publication of the translation of claims	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	Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	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
Mention in the Intellectual Property Gazette	(a) Yes (b) Yes	-
n/a	(a) n/a (b) n/a	The translation is to be notified to the alleged infringer.

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 authorized to act before the OSIM.	(a) EUR 60 or RON 297 (b) Date on which translation is filed	Romanian	(a) No, but recommended (b) 3
	Art. 39 PL	Annex 1.29 Fees Ord. Art. IV.2 GO		
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
			AII. 123(2) PL EXI.	
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

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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	
Inspection in reading room	(a) Yes	The following data must be provided with the translation:	
Copies available	(b) EUR 30 or RON 148	- EP application and publication numbers,	
Mention in the patent bulletin		- EP application and publication dates,	
		- names and addresses of applicant(s) and inventor(s),	
		- the title of the invention in Romanian,	
		- drawings, if any	
	Annex 1.30 Fees Ord. Art. VI.2 GO		
Mention in the Intellectual	(a) Yes	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the	
Property Gazette only in case of corrections to the translation	(b) No	alleged infringer. In case of corrections, the translation must be made available to the public by the Serbian Intellectual Property Office.	
	Art. 125(3) PL Ext.	Art. 123(2), 125(3) PL Ext.	
n/a	(a) Yes	The translation of the claims is to be notified by the applicant to the	
	(b) No	alleged infringer.	
	Art. 6(3) Ext. Decr.	Art. 4(2) Ext. Decr.	
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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 Please consult the relevant informa		fficial 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 points 4-10 in the Annex to Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	Romanian Art. 44 ¹ (3) Law No. 50/2008	(a) Yes (b) 1 Art. 44 ¹ (3) Law No. 50/2008 Points 448, 450 Gov. Dec. No. 528/2009

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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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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
In electronic form on OMPIC	(a) No	The prescribed form must contain all requisite information.
publication server (patent.ompic.ma)	(b) n/a	
Copies available to anyone		
Mention in official catalogue		
Entry in patent register		
Art. 44, 49, 89 Law No. 17-97		
In electronic form on AGEPI	(a) Yes	The form prescribed in section 4 must contain all requisite information.
publication server and on paper	(b) EUR 30	
Mention in the Official Bulletin		
Entry in the National Register of Patent Applications		
	Art. 44 ² (7) Law No. 50/2008 point 5 in the Annex to Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	

Translation requirements after grant pursuant to Article 65 EPC

IV.

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).

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP.	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) ALL 10 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4.
		Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 87/d(2)(3) PL	Art. 195(2) PL	Art. 87/d(2)(6) PL	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.	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.)	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	(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. Fee reduced by EUR 20 for electronic filing. (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		§ 5(1) ILPT	§ 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	§ 5(1), (2) ILPT	§ 5(1) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF
Belgium	Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(1) London Agreement Art. XI.83(1) ELC Art. 3(1) Law of 21.4.07 Art. 5(1) Law of 8.7.77	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC.	n/a	n/a	n/a

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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	Publication of the translation and any corrections in the official bulletin	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000	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(2)(b) PL, Fees Decr 1.47	Art. 87/d(5) PL	Art. 87/dh(3) PL	Art. 87/d(6) PL Fees Decr 1.8
(a) No. Electronic filing permitted. (b) 1	Publication of the translation and any corrections Mention of the published printed patent document and of any corrections in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	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.
§ 1(2) POR and notice in PBI. 2019, No. S 1 as amended in PBI. 2019, No. 5	§§ 5(1), 6(2)-(4) ILPT	§ 6(2) ILPT §§ 8, 8a, 27(2) LPOF	§ 30 LPOF § 8(5) POR
n/a	n/a	n/a	

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	Yes Applicants who are not established in the Republic of Bulgaria or in another Member State of the European Union, in a state - party to the European Economic Area Agreement or in the Swiss Confederation, are required to act before the Patent Office through a lawyer or an industrial property representative	3 months after the date on which the mention of grant is published in the European Patent Bulletin the patentee must file request for validation accompanied by translation of the granted EP.	(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	Art. 3(2) PL	Art. 72c(1) PL	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 must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. 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. 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.	Yes	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.	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 124(2) and (3) PA	Art. 17 PA	Art. 124(2) and (3) PA	Art. 124(2) PA

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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 the Official Bulletin Publication of the translation of the European patent in the Bulgarian language in the Register of European Patents under Art. 72i	(a) Yes (b) Fee for publication of the mention of the correction of the translation and for republishing the translation itself, see section 5(a)	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(1) PL	Art. 72c(4) PL	Art. 72d(3) PL	Art. 72c(2), (3) PL
(a) yes (b) 1	Mention of the translation and any corrections in the official gazette Translation and any corrections published in the form of a printed patent document Entry in the patent register Copies available for viewing and downloading from the internet website	(a) Yes (b) Yes	Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by the Croatian Intellectual Property Office.
Art. 124 (2.)1. PA Art. 34 (1) PO	Art. 124(4) PA Art. 35 PO	Art. 125(3) PA	Art. 125(5) PA

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	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 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Mention of the filing of the translation is published only when the fe has been paid.
			Sect. 79(2) PL R. 2(1), 8(1) PFR	R. 54(1) PFR	R. 54(1) PFR

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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

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	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 (Art. 35c(2) PA, CZK 3 000 (Art. 35c(3) PA (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 35c(2), 35f(3) PA	Art. 70 PA Act No. 417/2004 Coll. on Patent Attorneys Act No. 85/1996 Coll. on the Legal Profession	Art. 35c(2), (3), 35f(3) PA	Art. 35c(2), (3), 35f(3) PA

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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	Montion of the filing of the	(a) Yes	The translation must contain:
	a) No Mention of the filing of the translation and of any corrections in the "Věstník Úřadu průmyslového vlastnictví" (Bulletin of the CZ Industrial Property Office)	(b) CZK 100	- the name and address of the patent proprietor
(6) 1		(b) 02R 100	- the EP application and publication number
			- number and date of the European Patent Bulletin in which the grant was mentioned
	Inspection in reading room		- the title of the invention in Czech.
	Copies available		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.
			Art. 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.
			Art. 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.
			Art. 35f(4) PA
			Re-establishment of rights under conditions similar to Art. 122 EPC is available.
	Art. 35c(2), 35f(3) PA	Art. 35d(2) PA	Art. 65 PA

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	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.	(a) DKK 2 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement § 77(1) PA		§ 77(1) PA	§§ 77(2) and 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.	No, but recommended (see also section 9).	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) EUR 45 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		§§ 7(1), 13(2) IA	§ 15 IA § 26 REP	§ 7(1), (2) and 13(2) IA	§ 7(1) IA § 109(2) FA

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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) DKPTO websites (www.dkpto.dk & PVSOnline) Inspection in reading room Printed copies available	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a) above	The claims must be filed in Danish. The number of the European patent and the name and address of the patent proprietor must accompany the translation. If the patent has been granted in German or French, the translation of the remaining content into Danish or English shall also include: 1. The title of the invention 2. The description, including any drawings, photographs and sequence listing If the abovementioned requirements are not complied with, the translation shall be deemed not to have been filed.
	§§ 77(3) and 77(4) PA	§§ 86(1) and 100(4) PA	§ 90 PO, cf. § 77(1) and § 77(1)(2).
(a) No (see also section 9) (b) one copy on paper or one copy on CD; PDF format	Mention in "Eesti Patendileht" (Official Gazette) Copies available Estonian Patent Office website at https://www.epa.ee/en/patents-utility-models/registered-patents/estonian-patent-gazette (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

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Contracting state	Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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	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.	(a) EUR 500 (EUR 400 if the translation is filed online) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Agreement § 70h PA		§§ 52u, 52z PD	§§ 52u, 52z PD Fees Decr.
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	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Agreement Art. L. 614-7 PL			
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	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Property Rights (Law on Enforcement)			

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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 "Patentti-lehti" (Finnish Patent Bulletin) Published in electronic form Copies available Entry in the patent register	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	The number of the European patent, the title of the invention and the name and address of the patent proprietor must accompany the translation. Otherwise the translation is deemed not to have been filed. The translation must be accompanied by a copy of the drawings in the EP specification, even where there is no textual matter. Neither the abstract nor any sequence listings need to be translated. The translation may also be filed electronically.
	§§ 70h, 70q PA §§ 38a, 52x, 52y PD	§ 70q PA § 52y PD	§§ 52u, 52y PD
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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

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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. a certified translator of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs at http://metafraseis.services.gov.gr/).	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.	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.	(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. 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 19(3) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 11, 12a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 12(1), 18 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 31.8.2016

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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 (www.obi.gr/el/ euresitexnies/ formes-aitisis) (b) 2	Publication in EDBI Public inspection 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	Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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.	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.	(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 from the date of filing of the application in Hungary. After validation, a voluntary translation of the full text of the European patent into Hungarian may be filed at any time.	(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 iffled, 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. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 84/H.(1)-(1a), 84/I. PA	Art. 51(1), (4) PA	Art. 84/H(1)-(3), (8), (10a) PA	Art. 84/H PA Art. 4(2)-(2a), (5) FeeDecr

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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 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 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, 84/H(4) PA Art. 2(2)-(5) and 11 PForm

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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 a representative 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.	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.	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 Art. 77(1) PA Art. 56 PR Art. 5 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. Art. 147 (3bis) PL	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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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 "Hugverkatíðindi" (Icelandic IP Gazette) Copies available	(a) Yes (b) Yes	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.
	§ 77 PA	Art. 86(1) PA Art. 5 Fees Reg.	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	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.

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1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
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.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	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.	(a) EUR 50 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fee has not been paid.
	Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 71(2) PL	Art. 116(3), 117 IPL	Art. 71(2) PL	Art. 71(6) PL 7 Fees Reg
see Switzerland	,			
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.	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.	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.	(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. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 79(2), (3) PL	Art. 14(3) PL	Art. 79(2), (3) PL	Fees Law Art. 79(2), (3) PL
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
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/her ordinary residence or principal place of business in Malta to represent them. 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
	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. See Switzerland Yes No official language in common with one of the official language of the EPO.	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 71(2) PL see Switzerland Yes No official language in common with one of the official language of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 71(2) PL see Switzerland Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 79(2), (3) PL Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(1) London Agreement Law of 27.5.1977 No A translation of the claims into Lithuanian must be supplied under than Art. 65(1) EPC.	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	Translation requirements State to the London Agreement on the London Agreement on the application of Art. 66 EPC?

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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	Publication of the translation in the official bulletin of the LV Patent Office.	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 6(a)	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	Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	Art. 38(1) 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	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	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.
	Art. 79(4) PL	Art. 80(3) PL	
n/a	n/a	n/a	-
(a) Yes (b) 1	Inspection at the IPRD	(a) Yes (b) Yes	The translation must contain the name and address of the patent proprietor
R. 6(2) L.N. 99/2007	R. 8(2) L.N. 99/2007	R. 3, 8(2) L.N. 99/2007	R. 5(2b) L.N. 99/2007

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1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	No translation required under Art. 65(1) EPC.	n/a	n/a	n/a
	Art. 1(1) London Agreement			
No.	It is mandatory to submit a translation of the patent claims into Montenegrin.	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).	Three months from the date of publication of the mention of the grant of the European patent or publication of the decision of the European Patent Office to maintain the European patent as amended.	Fees are payable for the special costs of publication and printing of translations of patent claims.
Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO.	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. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 52(1) PA	No The authorised professional representative before the EPO is not required to file a new authorisation. Art. 27k IR	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
	Tontracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. No.	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes Official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(1) London Agreement 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. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement	Translation requirements Sample Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC?	Translation requirements state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes Official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(1) London Agreement claims into Montenegrin. No. It is mandatory to submit a translation of the patent claims into Montenegrin. It is mandatory to submit a translation of the patent claims into Montenegrin. Art. 1(1) London Agreement authority's Register of Representatives or by a domestic lawyer (Register of Representatives or by a domestic lawyer (Register of Representatives at www.advokatskakomora. Art. 4 PL Yes No official languages in common with one of the official languages of the European patent of the European patent of the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English. If the European patent has been granted in English must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 55(1) EPC. The translation may also be supplied in Dutch. Art. 1(2) and (3) London Agreement Art. 27k IR Art. 22(1) (6) PA Art. 23(1) PR

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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	n/a	-
(a) Yes (b) 2	The patent holder is obliged to submit to the competent authority a request for the entry of the European patent in the Patent Register and a translation of the claims of the granted European patent into Montenegrin and to pay the prescribed compensation for the special costs of publication and printing of the translation of the claims within three months of the date of publication of the mention of the grant of the European Patent in the European Patent Bulletin. Furthermore, the competent authority is obliged to publish every duly filed translation in the official gazette in a timely manner.	the competent authority a translation of the amended patent claims into Montenegrin and to pay the prescribed compensation for special publication costs within three months from the date of publication of the European Patent Office's decision to grant or maintain the European patent as amended.	
(a) No (b) 2	Entry in the patent register Mention of the filing of the translation in "De Industriële Eigendom" Inspection is available via the online patent register. With regard to old documents which are not digitally available copies are available upon request. Copies available	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	The publication number of the European patent must be indicated on each sheet of the translation. Art. 7 IR In case the European Patent specification is in DE or FR, 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	Art. 19(4), 52(3), (8) PA	Art. 52(7) PA Art. 6(6) PR	

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1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
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.	Yes, authorised agent who is either a domestic legal person or a citizen of North 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
	Agreement			
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	(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) and (2) PL § 59(2) PR	§ 66c(1) PL § 32 Fees Reg.
No	A translation of the patent specification into Polish must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation.	3 months from 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) 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 subsequent page of the translation is PLN 10. (b) no later than 3 months after service of the PPO's invitation
	Art. 6(2-3) EPAL	Art. 236(3) IPL	Art. 6(2-3) EPAL	Art. 7(5) EPAL Annex no. 1 item I 14 Fees Reg.
	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Yes No official languages of the EPO. Patent applications can also be filed and processed in English.	Contracting state to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 EPC? Yes No official language in common with one of the official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Yes No official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Yes No official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Yes No official languages of the EPO. Patent applications can also be filed and processed 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. In addition, a translation of the claims into 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	State to the London Agreement on the application of Art. 65 (1) EPC. At applications and sproement with one of the official language in common with one of the official language of the EPO. At a translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No further requirements if 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. In addition, a translation of the claims into 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. In addition, a translation of the claims into 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. In addition, a translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Translation requirements state to the London Agreement on the papication of Art. 65 EPC? Yes No official languages of the EPO. Art. 1(3) London Agreement No official languages of the EPO. Art. 4(3) London Agreement Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 4(3) London Agreement Art. 4(3) London Agreement No official languages of the EPO. Patent applications can also be fined and processed in English. If the European patent was granted in English. If the European patent was granted in English. If the European patent was granted in French or German, a translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No No More an also be fined and processed in English. If the European patent was granted in French or German, a translation of the claims into 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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No A translation of the patent was granted in French or German, a translation of the desciption (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 under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No A translation of the patent as a manded is published in the European patent was granted in French or German, a translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No A translation of the patent as a manded is published in the furnal translation of the claims into Norwegian must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. No A translation of the patent as a manded is published in the patent as a manded is published in the patent as a manded in the pate

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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 oб. 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.	
(a) No (b) 1	Mention in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Internet Copies available	(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	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.	
	§ 66c(3) and (4) PL	§ 66j(1) PL § 33 Fees Reg.	§ 59 PR	
(a) No (b) 2	Mention of the translation in "Wiadomości Urzędu Patentowego" (Official Gazette of the Polish 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 PPO's database on its website at www.uprp.pl (Polish)	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	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. 5(3) EPAL	Art. 7(1) EPAL	Art. 7(3, 6) EPAL	Art. 7(1) in conjunction with Art. 1 item 6 EPAL	

Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
Portugal	No	A translation of the patent specification into Portuguese must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	No However, under Article 83 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.	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.	(a) National validation fee - EUR 54.54 if filed online, - EUR 109.08 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. 81(1) PA	Art. 10 PA	Art. 82(1), (3) PA	Art. 82(2), (3), 84(2) PA Fees Res.
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 authorized 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 495 plus EUR 5 or RON 25 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (ii) EUR 200 or RON 990 plus EUR 5 or RON 25 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.

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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, if filed on paper: INPI presentation form PatMut3 (b) 1	Mention of the filing of the translation in the Industrial Property Bulletin Entry in the patent register Inspection in reading room Copies available	(a) Yes (b) EUR 27.27 if filed online, EUR 54.54 if filed on paper	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. 84(1), 85(1) PA	Art. 87(1) PA Fees Res.	Art. 81(2), 83 PA
(a) No, but recommended (b) 3	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20 or RON 99 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.

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
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.	(a) EUR 100 plus EUR 10 for each page of the translation in excess of 20 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
				Art. 5(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009	Tab. I Fees Decree
Serbia	No	A translation of the patent specification into Serbian must be filed with the Serbian Intellectual Property Office.	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons not resident or having no seat in the Republic of Serbia must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney.	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) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 149(2) PL	Art. 5(1) PL	Art. 149(2)(3) PL	Art. 149(2)(3) PL
Slovakia	No	A translation of the patent specification into Slovak must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC.	Yes	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.	(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
			§ 79 (2) PA	§§ 63(2), (3) and 65(3), (4) PA	Schedule of Fees, item 216a(c) and (d) Fees Law

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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 (in case of application sent by email, 1)	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention of the translation in the official bulletin	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
	Entry in the patent register Online register available on www.usbm.sm		- 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/ prava-is/patenti/ obrasci,-uputstva-i- primeri.4.html) (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(4)(10) PL	(a) Yes (b) Yes Art. 150(5), 149(10) PL	
(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.

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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?
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.	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.	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.	(a) EUR 100 (Publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 1(3) London Agreement Art. 27(2) IPA	Art. 129 IPA	Art. 27(2) IPA	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).	No, if proprietor resides in Spain or in a country of the EU. Requirements in section 9 must be observed.	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). This time limit can be extended, under request, for two months.	(a) EUR 327.38 plus EUR 13.16 for each page of the translation in excess of 22 for translations on paper, or EUR 278.28 plus EUR 11.19 for translations in electronic form Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year. (b) When filing the translation. In the case of non-payment, the OEPM will require to pay the fee within two months from the requirement. Translation is not published until the fee has been paid.
		Art. 155 NPL Art. 95 RD 316	Art. 175 NPL	Art. 155 NPL	Art. 155 NPL Art. 95 RD 316 NPL Annex

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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 and 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. 27(5) IPA	Art. 27(2), 28(2) IPA Art. 1(1.4.2) Fees Decr.	Art. 28(2) IPA
(a) Yes (b) 1	Translation and any corrections published in the form of a patent specification, accessible via the INVENES database (consultas2.oepm.es/InvenesWeb/faces/busquedaInternet.jsp:jses sionid=cum2LDzkWUuQh h16FjRNNduE.srvvarsovia 1) Mention of the filing of the translation in "Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial" Entry in the patent register	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	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. 37, 55, 154 and 156 NPL Art. 95 RD 316	Art. 96 RD 316 NPL Annex	Art. 53, 155 NPL and MO 320 Art. 95 RD 316

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Contracting state	1 Contracting state to the London Agree- ment 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 of the description 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	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.	(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
		Agreement § 82 PA § 60 PD § 39 POR	3	§ 60 PD	§§ 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	n/a	n/a	n/a
		Agreement Art. 148 PA			
Türkiye	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 Türkiye must appoint an authorised professional representative.	(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)	(a)(i) TRY 8910* for publication of a translation of the patent specification or TRY 3710* for publication of the translation of an amended patent specification (opposition, limitation) (ii) TR 5040* (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)
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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	(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	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.
	§ 82 PA	§ 91(1) PA §§ 45, 63, 64 PD	§ 60 PD
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(a) Yes (b) 1	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 2 820* Publication of the translation of an amended patent specification (opposition, limitation): TRY 3 710* R. 14 and 16 RegEPC Fees 2023	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

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

6 (a) Must a form be used? (b) No. of copies to Manner and form in which the translation is made available to the 7 Manner and form in (a) permitted? (b) Special fee	9 translation Special features
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n/a n/a (a) Translations Sect. 77(6) PA p	rior to 1 May
2008 may be co (i) Form 54 (corr Sect. 80(3) PA; R. 57 PR) in dup	ections under R. 56 and
(ii) in writing (colunder Sect. 117 PR)	rections
(b) No	
Sect. 80(3), 117 R. 57, 105 PR Schedule 1 to P	

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Extension state	Contracting state to the London Agreement?	Translation requirements	Must a national professional representative be appointed?	Period for filing the translation	(a) Special fee payable? (b) If so, when due?
Bosnia and Herzegovina	London	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	representative be	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

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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	Database inspection in the	(a) Yes	-	
(b) 1	Office	(b) Yes, see section 5(a)		
	Copies available			
	Mention in the official gazette ("Glasnik")			
		Art. 5(3) and 6(3) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 88(3), 89(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.	Yes	3 months after the date on which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published in the European Patent Bulletin.	(a) ALL 1 000 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 82(2) PL		Art. 82(2) PL	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 must be supplied under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. 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. If the European patent has been maintained in amended form, a translation of the amended claims	Yes	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.	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		into Croatian must be filed under the conditions provided for in Art. 65(1) EPC. Art. 124(2) and (3)	Art. 17 PA	Art. 124(2) and (3) PA	Art. 124(2) PA
The extension system continues to apply to European and international statent applications filed perfore 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.	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	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.	(a) EUR 50 (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 The translation is not published until the fehas not been paid.
		R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL	Art. 116(3), 117 IPL	R. 2 Transitional provisions of the PL Art. 70(2) PL	Art. 71(6) PL R. 7 Fees Reg.

^{*} 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.

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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	Publication of the translation and any corrections Entry in the patent register	(a) Yes (b) ALL 2 000	-
	Art. 82(4) PL	Art. 83(3) PL	
(a) yes (b) 1	Mention of the translation and any corrections in the official gazette Translation and any corrections published in the form of a printed patent document Entry in the patent register Copies available for viewing and downloading from the internet website	(a) Yes (b) Yes	Correction of translation has legal effect from the date of publication by the Croatian Intellectual Property Office.
Art. 124 (2.)1. PA Art. 34 (1) PO	Art. 124(4) PA Art. 35 PO	Art. 125(3) PA	Art. 125(5) PA
(a) Yes (b) 1	Translation and any corrections published in the official bulletin Inspection at the LV Patent Office Entry in the patent register	(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. 35 PL	Art. 71(5), 72(3) PL	Art. 72 PL

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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?
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.	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.	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.	(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	Art. 14(3) PL	Art. 71(2) PL	Art. 71(2) PL Fees Law
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.	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).	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) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 145(2) PL	Art. 4 PL	Art. 145(2) PL	
North 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.	Yes, authorised agent who is either a domestic legal person or a citizen of North Macedonia.	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.	(a) MKD 3 000 (publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 1(3) London Agreement	Art. 16, 227 PL	Art. 5(2), (3) Ext. Reg.	

			IV. Translation requirements after grant 183
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) 2	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	(a) Yes (b) Yes, see section 5(a)	Full translation is required only for legal proceedings.
R. 8, 9 Ext. Order	Art. 71(4) PL	Art. 71(3), 72(3) PL Fees Law	
(a) Yes (b) 2	Publication of translation of patent claims and any corrections in the Intellectual Property Gazette	(a) Yes (b) Yes	-
	Art. 145(5) PL	Art. 145(3) PL	
(a) Yes, Form oб. ДЗИС -П5 (b) 3	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.
	Art. 5(3) Ext. Reg.	Art. 5(3) Ext. Reg.	Art. 5(5) Ext. Reg.

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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?
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 authorized 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 495 plus EUR 5 or RON 25 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.	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons not resident or having no seat in the Republic of Serbia must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's Register of Representatives or by a domestic attorney.	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) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4
		Art. 124(2) PL Ext.	Art. 5(1) PL	Art. 124(2)(3) PL Ext.	Art. 124(2)(3) PL Ext.
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 Euro- pean patent, provided an address for correspond- ence on Slovenian territory is given. For other requests or acts before SIPO, an authorised professional representative, registered at the SIPO, is mandatory.	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.	(a) EUR 100 (publication fee) (b) Within period pursuant to section 4 (see also section 9)
			Art. 129 IPA	Art. 5(2) Ext. Decr.	Art. 1(1.4.1) Fees Decr. Art. 5(2) Ext. Decr.

			IV. Translation requirements after grant 185
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) 3	Inspection in reading room Copies available Mention in the patent bulletin	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20 or RON 99	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. V.3, 4 GO Annex 1.36 Fees Ord. (a) Yes (b) Yes	-
(a) No, but recommended (b) 2	Art. 124(4) PL Ext. Translation and any corrections published at the Slovenian Patent Documents Server Mention in official bulletin (BIL) Inspection of files Inspection in library	Art. 125(3) PL Ext. (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.

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		ailable at time of going to pre		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	Yes Applicants who do not have a residence or place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative who does.	3 months as from publication of mention of grant of patent in European Patent Bulletin	(a) Yes (b) Within period pursuant to section 4	
		Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97	Art. 4 Law No. 17-97	Art. 50.4 Law No. 17- 97	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	Yes	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	(a) EUR 100; and EUR 5 for each page, exceeding 20 (b) Date on which the translation is filed	
				Additional period of 3 months, subject to a 100% surcharge on the prescribed fee		
		Art. 44 ² (6), (7) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ² (6), (7) and art. 44 ² (10) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ² (6), (7) Law No. 50/2008 point 6 in the Annex to Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	
Tunisia	Information not av	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	In electronic form on OMPIC publication server (patent.ompic.ma)	(a) No (b) n/a	The prescribed form must contain all requisite information.
	Copies available to anyone		
	Mention in official catalogue		
	Grant of validated patent mentioned in patent register		
Art. 2 Decr.	Art. 50.4, 49, 89 Law No. 17-97		
(a) Yes (b) 1	In electronic form on AGEPI publication server	(a) Yes (b) EUR 20	The form prescribed in section 6 must contain all requisite information.
	Mention in the Official Bulletin		
	Entry in the National Register of Patents		
	Art. 44 ² (9) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ³ (3) Law No. 50/2008 point 8 in the Annex to Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	

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

V.

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.

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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.	Yes
	Art. 87/dh(2) PL	Art. 87/dh(4) PL
Austria	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	§ 6(1) ILPT	§ 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.	Yes
	Art. 72d(1) PL	Art. 72d(5) PL
Croatia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 125(2) PA	Art. 125(6) PA
Cyprus	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Sect. 67(1) PL	Sect. 67(3) PL
Czech Republic	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 35d(1) PA	Art. 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.	Yes
	In the event of the European patent application or European patent in the language of the translation conferring protection which is narrower than that conferred by it in the language of the proceedings, only the text in the language of the proceedings shall apply in revocation proceedings.	
	§§ 85(1) and 85(3) PA	§ 86(3) PA
Estonia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	§ 8 IA	§ 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.	Yes
	§ 70p PA	§ 70q PA
France	Text in the language of the proceedings before the EPO.	Yes
	In the event of litigation, the judge or defendant may require a full translation of the patent into French.	
	Art. L. 614-7 PL	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

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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.	Yes
	Art. 14(2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	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	Yes
	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	Art. 84/K(6) PA
celand	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 85(1) PA	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.	Yes
	Sect. 121 PA	Sect. 121(4) PA
Italy	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 57(2) PL	Art. 57(5) PL
Latvia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 72(1)(2) PL	Art. 72(4) PL
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	
Lithuania	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 80(1), (2) PL	Art. 80(3) PL
Luxembourg	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 6(1) Law of 27.5.77	Art. 6(2) Law of 27.5.77
Malta	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	R. 8(1) L.N. 99/2007	R. 8(3) L.N. 99/2007
Monaco	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes
	Art. 3(1) SO No. 10.427	Art. 3(3) SO No. 10.427

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

Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	2 Has provision pursuant to Art. 70(4)(b) EPC been made?	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings.	The national legislation stipulates that the patent holder is obliged to submit to the competent authority a translation of the claims of the granted European patent into Montenegrin within a period of three months from the date of publication of the information on the grant of the European patent and to pay fees for the special costs of publication and printing the translation of the claims. The same rule also applies when it comes to a published European patent application: the applicant is obliged to submit to the competent authority a translation of the claims of the published European application into Montenegrin.	
Art. 146(2) PL		
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes	
Art. 52(9) PA	Art. 55(3) PA	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes	
§ 66i PL	§ 66j(1) and (2) PL	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes	
Art. 7(2) EPAL	Art. 7(4) EPAL	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes	
Art. 86 PA	Art. 87(2) PA	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings.	Yes	
Art. 7 AccEPCLaw	Art. 7(3) AccEPCLaw	
Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings	Yes	
Art. 6(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009	Art. 6(5) Decree Law No. 76/2009	
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.	Yes	
Art. 150(2) PL	Art. 150(6) PL	
	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 Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 52(9) PA Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. § 66i PL Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 7(2) EPAL Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 86 PA Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings. Art. 7 (2) EPAL Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 7 AccEPCLaw Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings. Art. 6(2) Decree Law No. 76/2009 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 before the European Patent Office is the authentic text in revocation proceedings before the European Patent Office is the authentic text in revocation proceedings before the European Patent Office.	

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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?					
Slovakia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes					
	§ 62(1) and (2) PA	§ 62(5) PA					
Slovenia	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes					
	Art. 28(1) IPA	Art. 28(3) IPA					
Spain	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes					
	Art. 157 NPL	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	Yes					
	European Patent Bulletin on or after 1 July 2014: the original text as published by the EPO.						
	§ 90 PA	§ 91(3) PA (Revoked in 2014, thus applicable only to applications filed before 1 July 2014.)					
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	n/a	n/a					
Türkiye	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings.	Yes					
	R. 15 RegEPC	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.	Yes					
	Sect. 80(1), (2) PA	Sec. 80(4) PA					

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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.	Yes				
	Art. 6(2) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 89(2) PL	Art. 6(4) Ext. Agr. Annex Art. 89(4) PL				

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Former extension state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	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.)	(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed				
	Art. 83(1), (2) PL	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.	Yes			
	Art. 125(2) PA	Art. 125(6) PA			
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.	Yes			
	Art. 72(1)(2) PL	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.	Yes			
	Art. 72(1), (2) PL	Art. 72(3) 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(6) PL			
North 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.	Yes			
	Art. 6(2) Ext. Reg.	Art. 6(3) Ext. Reg.			
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.	Yes			
	Art. VI.2 GO	Art. VI.3 GO			

Former extension state	1 Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	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.)	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.	Yes	
	Art. 125(2) PL Ext.	Art. 125(3) 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.	Yes	
	Art. 6(2) Ext. Decr.	Art. 6(3) Ext. Decr.	

Validation state	Authentic text of a European patent application or European patent	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 Jo	ournal.
Morocco	Translation, if protection conferred is narrower than in the language of the proceedings; this does not apply, however, in revocation proceedings.	No, see table IV, section 7
	Art. 50.4 Law No. 17-97	
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.	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 (1) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 44 ³ (4) Law No. 50/2008
	Information not available at time of going to press.	

VI.

A. Payment of renewal fees for European patents

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 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th	ALL 0 5 000 6 000 8 000 10 000 12 000 14 000 18 000 20 000 25 000	Year 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	ALL 27 000 30 000 35 000 40 000 45 000 50 000 60 000 65 000 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%
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 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th	EUR 104 208 313 417 522 626 731 835	Year 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	EUR 940 1 044 1 148 1 253 1 357 1 566 1 775	(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.	Chapter 16 (2.1) PR Fees Decr. (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%
	§ 6(2), s	9(2) LPO	F		§ 9(3) – (5) LPOF	§ 9(4), (5) LPOF

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	5 Restitutio in integrum (a) provided for? (b) time limit for submitting application	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	(a) Yes	(a) and (c) Yes	Publication in the Patent Bulletin
(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	(b) No later than 6 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP	Entry 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) n/a	
(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	Art. 35 PL	Art. 35 PL	Part XIV (3.3) PR
(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 12 months after expiry of non-observed time limit	(b) No (c) Yes; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised to represent parties on a professional basis in Austria.	Publication in the patent bulletin
		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 §§ 129 et seq. PA	§ 27(1) LPOF § 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	§§ 46, 79, 80 PA
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Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees			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
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 3rd 40 4th 55 5th 75 6th 95 7th 110 8th 135 9th 165 10th 185 11th 215	Year EUR 12th 240 13th 275 14th 320 15th 360 16th 400 17th 450 18th 500 19th 555 20th 600	(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. 8 RD of 5.12.07** 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	0 Art 1/1/2) EDC			

^{*} 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.

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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	(a) Yes	(a) No, any person can pay	Confirmation of non-payment on		
(b) n/a	(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 reestablishment 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).	renewal fees. (b) n/a (c) see table III.B, section 1	request Entry in the patent register		
	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	Art. XI.62(4) ELC	Art. XI.48(2) ELC		

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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, Art. 33 PL	Year	BGN	Year	BGN	(a) Last day of the month in which the preceding patent year expires.	(a) 6 months from due date
Decr. Fees	1st	40	11th	600	(Each patent year starts from the	(b) twice the rate
Enquiries re renewal fees:	2nd	40	12th	700	filing date of the patent application)	
Tel. +359 2 9701321 Fax +359 2 8735258	3rd	40	13th	800	(b) 2 months under the conditions laid down in Article 141 EPC	
	4th	40	14th	900	(c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due	
	5th	140	15th	1 000	date.	
	6th	180	16th	1 100		
	7th	220	17th	1 200		
	8th	270	18th	1 300		
	9th	380	19th	1 500		
	10th	500	20th	1 700		
	Decr. Fee	es			Art. 33(1), (2) PL	Art. 33(3) PL
Croatia Art. 88 PA	Year	HRK		EUR**	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a) 6 months from due date
AII. 00 I A	3rd	260		34,51	(b) n/a	(b) 100%
	4th	320		42,47	(c) No specific legal provision: payment may be made for more	
	5th	440		58,40	than one patent year. However, if the fees are subsequently	
	6th	560		74,32	changed, the patent proprietor will be obliged to pay the difference	
	7th	640		84,94	between the amount paid in advance and the amount due for	
	8th	820		108,83	the year concerned.	
	9th	940		124,76		
	10th	1 200		159,27		
	11th	1 500		199,08		
	12th	1 800		238,90		
	13th	2 100		278,72		
	14th	2 300		305,26		
	15th	2 600		345,08		
	16th	3 000		398,17		
	17th	3 500		464,53		
	18th	4 600		610,52		
	19th	5 800		769,79		
	20th	6 900		915,79		
	Art. 14 RF	ees			Art. 129 PA	Art. 88(5) PA
* For first renowal fee to be said as	 Art 1/1/	0) EDC			I	I

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

^{**} Euro became the official currency in the Republic of Croatia on 1 January 2023 to substitute the Croatian kuna as the legal means of payment so far. Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office will be amended accordingly. Subject to related national obligations, transitional dual indication in both Croatian kunas and euros is applicable until December 31, 2023. In accordance with the Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1208 of 12 July 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 2866/98 as regards the conversion rate to the euro for Croatia, fixed conversion rate is established at HRK 7.53450 for EUR 1.

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	5 Restitutio in integrum (a) provided for? (b) time limit for submitting application	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	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(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) 1 month after the reason ceases to apply; no later than 3 months after expiry of non-observed time limit	(b) n/a (c) Yes	Publication in the patent bulletin
	Art. 26(2), Art. 49 PL		
(a) Yes	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) Approx. 1 month after due date	(b) Within 3 months of the removal of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or 12 months upon expiry of the period of grace for payment of renewal fees.	(b) Yes (c) Yes	Publication in the official gazette
Art. 88(6) PA	Art. 28 PA	Art. 17 PA	Art. 20.2 and 90.2 PA

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Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)				(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
Cyprus Sect. 26(3) PL R. 42(1)(a), 56(2) PFR	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th	EUR 50 60 80 100 120 140 160	Year 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th	240 280 320 360 420 480 540	(a) The date preceding the anniversary date of filing (Form P.13) (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before due date.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25% per month
	10th 11th PFR	180 200	19th 20th	600 660	R 42(1)(a) 56(2) PER	R 42(1)(h) PFR
Czech Republic Art. 35g PA LRenFees Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +420 2 20383139 Fax +420 2 24324718 helpdesk@upv.gov.cz	Year 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th Annex to	CZK 1 000 1 000 1 000 2 000 2 000 2 000 3 000 4 000 C LRenFe	Year 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	CZK 6 000 8 000 10 000 12 000 14 000 16 000 20 000 22 000 24 000	R. 42(1)(a), 56(2) PFR (a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a (c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date. Art. 35g(2) PA Art. 8(3) LRenFees	R. 42(1)(b) PFR (a) 6 months from due date (b) 100% Art. 35g(2) PA Art. 8(4) LRenFees

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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	(a) Yes (Form P.14 P.15)	(a) Yes	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(b) Within 12 months of expiry of the period of grace under section 3	(b) n/a (c) Yes	Publication in the official gazette
	R. 43 PFR		R. 3(1)(b), 42(4) PFR
(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.gov.cz) and through the Federated Register in the European Patent Register (www.epo.org)
	Art. 11(1)(a) LRenFees	Art. 70 PA	Art. 69(1), (2) PA

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plus	any cha	1 nt of feed arges lev nks)		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 and 99 PA	Year	DKK	Year	DKK	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred	(a) 6 months from due date
Enquiries re renewal fees and	1st	515	11th	2 645	(b) n/a	(b) 20%
patent register:	2nd	515	12th	2 905	(c) Payment may not be made	
Tel. +45 43 508000 Fax +45 43 508001	3rd	515	13th	3 165	more than 3 months before due date.	
	4th	1 140	14th	3 425		
	5th	1 295	15th	3 740		
	6th	1 450	16th	4 050		
	7th	1 660	17th	4 360		
	8th	1 870	18th	4 675		
	9th	2 125	19th	4 985		
	10th	2 385	20th	5 295		
	§ 99(1) F	PA			§ 41(1) PA	§§ 81(2), 41(3) and 99(2) PA
Estonia § 10 IA	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred	(a) 6 months from due date
§ 104(3) FA	1st	26	11th	245	(b) n/a	(b) 10%
Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register:	2nd	26	12th	285	(c) Payment may not be made	
Tel. +372 6277908	3rd	64	13th	320	more than 6 months before due date.	
(patent register) Fax +372 6277943	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			§ 10(3) IA	§ 10(4) IA

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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, 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	(a) No (b) No (c) No	Publication in "Dansk Patenttidende" (Danish Patent Gazette) Entry in the patent register
	§ 72(1) PA	§ 66 PA	§ 51, cf. § 55 PA § 47(1)(4) 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	(a) No (b) n/a (c) n/a	Publication in "Eesti Patendileht" (official gazette) Entry in the patent register
	2 20(2), (V) FM	2 10 IV	§ 17 IA

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
Finland §§ 41, 51, 70l PA	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred. The first	(a) 6 months from due date
Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +358 29 5095000 Fax +358 29 5095328	3rd (incl. 1st to 3rd year)	200	12th	500	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	(b) 20%
	4th	125	13th	550	(c) Payment may not be made	
	5th	150	14th	600	more than 6 months before due date.	
	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 Dec	or.			§ 41, 70 I PA	§ 41 PA Fees Decr.
France	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which	(a) 6 months from day after due
Art. L. 612-19 PL Art. R. 613-46, R. 613-47, R. 613-63 and R. 614-16 Reg.	2nd	38	12th	300	the date of filing occurred (deferred to next working day if a Saturday, Sunday or public	date (b) 50% of the due renewal fee
Enquiries re renewal fees:	3rd	38	13th	350	holiday)	
Direction de la propriété	4th	38	14th	400	(b) If the payment made up to the date specified under (a) is insuffi-	
industrielle – Département des données, Pôle examen et gestion	5th	38	15th	460	cient, no surcharge is payable if the deficit is made good within the	
des redevances	6th	76	16th	520	period for payment of the surcharge	
	7th	96	17th	580	(c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due	
	8th	136	18th	650	date.	
	9th	180	19th	730		
	10th	220	20th	800		
	11th	260				
	subject to under Art			ent		
	Fees Ord 6.3.20)	. of 24.4.	08 (as an	nended	Art. L. 612-19 PL R. 613-46, R. 613-47 Reg.	Art. L. 612-19 PL Art. R. 613-46, R. 613-47 and R. 618-3 Reg. Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 (as amended 6.3.20)

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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	(a) Yes	(a) No	Publication in "Patenttilehti"
(b) n/a	(b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than 12 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	(b) No (c) No	(Finnish patent bulletin) Entry in the patent register
	§ 71a PA		§ 55 PA § 40 PD
(a) Yes (reminders are sent	(a) Yes	(a) No	Determined by decision of the
abroad) (b) 2 months after the due date not observed.	(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	(b) No,but natural persons or legal persons not having their residence or place in business in an EU member state or in an EEA state must appoint a professional representative, who must meet the requirements under Art. R. 612-2. To facilitate communication with INPI, it is highly advisable to sign up for its "e-procedures" portal at https://procedures.inpi.fr/ and to upload patent to the account. (c) No, but natural persons or legal persons not having their residence or place in business in an EU member state or in an EEA state must appoint a professional representative, who must meet the requirements under Art. R. 612-2.	Director of INPI (communication to proprietor of patent) Publication of decision in the official bulletin (BOPI) Entry in the patent register
Art. R. 613-48 Reg.	Art. L. 612-16 PL Art. R. 613-52 Reg.		Art. L. 613-22 PL Art. R. 613-50 Reg.

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plus	any ch	1 int of fees narges lev anks)		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
Germany Art. II § 7 LIPC in conjunction with § 17 PA	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month containing the anniversary of the date of filing	(a) Up to end of 6th month from due date
Enquiries re renewal fees and	3rd	70	12th	680	(b) Up to the end of the second	(b) EUR 50
patent register:	4th	70	13th	830	month from the due date	
Tel. +49 89 2195-1000 Fax +49 89 2195-2221	5th	100	14th	980	(c) Payment may not be made more than one year before due	
	6th	150	15th	1 130	date.	
	7th	210	16th	1 310	Exception: 3rd to 5th renewal fees may be paid when 3rd fee falls due	
	8th	280	17th	1 490	(No. 312 205 Fees Schedule LPF)	
	9th	350	18th	1 670		
	10th	430	19th	1 840		
	11th	540	20th	2 030		
	filing of	a licenc	alling due a e of right re reduced			
	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 210.					
	§ 23(1) Fees So	PA chedule	LPF		§§ 3(2), 5(2), 7(1) first sentence LPF Art. II § 7 LIPC	§ 7(1) second sentence LPF Fees Schedule LPF
Greece Art. 24 Law No. 1733/87	Year	EUF	R Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which	(a) 6 months from due date
Art. 17, 18a Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	3rd	20	12th	300	the date of filing occurred (b) n/a	(b) 50%
Enquiries re renewal fees and validation:	4th	50		400	(c) Any time after the filing date	
Tel. +30 210 6183594 e-mail: info@obi.gr	5th	80		500		
	6th	90		600		
	7th	100		700		
	8th	115	5 17th	800		
	9th	140) 18th	900		
	10th	190) 19th	1 000		
	11th	240	20th	1 100		
	Dec. of	31.8.20	16		Art. 24(2) Law No. 1733/87	Art. 24(2) Law No. 1733/87
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^{*} For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(b) 2 months after removal of obstacle; no later than one year after expiry of non-observed time limit	(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)	Publication in the patent bulletin
	§ 123 PA	§ 25 PA	§ 30(1), 32(5) PA
(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 indicated. (c) n/a Art. 19 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Publication in the EDBI; the loss of rights takes effect as from the date of publication. Art. 16(2) Law No. 1733/87

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal 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
Hungary Art. 84/L PA Art. 3(7) FeeDecr	first year's main be payable according feedbecr. This rule does repear's maintena applications file. August 2021 and due on the day shall not be pay. The first three yees falling due June 2022, included and third years' falling due for paspecified in the	2022, including the tenance fee, shall ording to Art. 3(7) ot apply to the first nce fee for patent d between 7 d 31 May 2022 of filling. This fee able. ears' maintenance on or after 1 uding the second maintenance fees atent applications	(c) Earliest possible date for	(a) 6 months from due date (the first 3 months without surcharge) (b) 4th, 5th and 6th month: 50%
	fees payable an	e twentieth year		

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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)

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
	Art. 23(1 Art. 3(7)		r		Art. 23, 84/L(2), (3), 115/M(3) PA	Art. 23, 115/M PA
Iceland Art. 81 cf. Art. 41 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +35 4 580-9400 hugverk@hugverk.is / isipo@isipo.is	Year 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th	18K 13 000 13 000 15 000 16 400 17 700 19 700 21 800 24 400 27 200	Year 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	1SK 29 700 32 400 35 800 40 500 45 300 50 000 56 200 61 700 67 600 74 400	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred. The renewal fee for the 1st year payable to the ISIPO, 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.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 20%
	regular b Charges vary, how	levied b wever, us 00 is cha	(Updated y banks r sually a n rged upo	may ninimum	Art. 41(1), 81(1) PA	Art. 81(2), 41(3) PA Art. 3(2) Fees Reg.
Ireland Sect. 99 PA R. 34 PR Patent Fees Rules Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register: Tel. +353 56 7720111	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th	EUR 60 90 114 134 150 176 194 220 242	Year 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	EUR 265 285 311 335 356 382 408 438 468	(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 Patent Fees Rules

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	Art. 40 PA Art. 9(4) FeeDecr	Art. 51(1), (4) PA	Art. 54, 56 and 56/A PA
(a) Yes, if e-mail of a proprietor / representative is available.(b) One month prior to 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 and subject to the payment of fee for restitutio and completing the omitted act.	(a), (b) and (c) An applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have a representative 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 ISIPO so requires.	Publication in "Hugverkatíðindi" (Icelandic IP Gazette) Entry in the patent register Notification via e-mail to proprietor / representative.
Art. 41(4) PA	Art. 72 cf. Art. 78 PA Art. 97 PR Art. 17(2) Fees Reg.	Art. 12 or 66 PA	Art. 41(4) and 51 PA Art. 93 PR
(a) Yes	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) No later than 6 weeks after due date	(b) Within 2 years of the date on which the patent lapsed	(b) No, but an address for service in the EEA must be given	Publication in the IPOI Journal
R. 34(5), (6) PR	Sect. 37 PA R. 35 PR	Sect. 37(2) PA R. 34(5), 34(6), 93(1) PR S.I. 579/2015, S.I. 580/2015	

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Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plus any charges levied by banks)			ed by	(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
Italy	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of month in which the	(a) 6 months after due date
Min. Decr. of 2.4.2007	5th	60	13th	530	date of filing occurred (b) n/a	(b) EUR 100
	6th	90	14th	600	(c) No specific legal provision.	
	7th	120	15th	650		
	8th	170	16th	650		
	9th	200	17th	650		
	10th	230	18th	650		
	11th	310	19th	650		
	12th	410	20th	650		
						Art. 227 PL
Latvia Art. 73 PL	Ye	ar	EU	JR	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred	(a) 6 months
Fees Reg.	3rd		90		(b) A fee falling due within	(b) 25%
	4t	4th		20	3 months of the publication of the mention of grant in the European Patent Bulletin may be paid without surcharge within this	
	5t	5th		10		
	6th		160		3-month period.	
	7t	h	18	30	(c) No information available.	
	8t	h	22	20		
	9t	h	27	70		
	10th-	15th	32	20		
	16th-	20th	42	20		
					Art. 73(2) PL	Art. 43 PL
Liechtenstein	see Switz	zerland				

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Confirmation of non-payment on
(b) n/a	(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.	(b) n/a (c) No	request
	Art. 193(2) PL		
(a) Yes, but not mandatory	(a) Yes	(a) Yes	Communication to representative
(b) n/a	(b) 2 months after removal of obstacle, but no later than 12 months after expiry of the non-observed time limit	(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.	Entry in the patent register Publication in the official bulletin
	Art. 46 PL	Art. 116(3), 117 IPL	

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Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plus any cha	1 nt of fees arges levied by inks)	(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 Appendix I Fees Law	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th-15th 16th-20th	EUR 81 92 115 139 162 185 208 231 289 347	(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.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50%	
	Appendix I Fees Law		Fees Law Art. 36(4) PL	Art. 36(5) PL	
Luxembourg Art. 10 Law of 27.5.77 Enquiries re renewal fees: Tel. +352 247-84113, -84120, -84156 https://patent.public.lu bpp@eco.etat.lu	Year EUR 3rd 33 4th 41 5th 52 6th 66 7th 82 8th 99 9th 115 10th 131 11th 148 Art. 5 Fees Reg.	12th 165 13th 180 14th 198 15th 213 16th 230 17th 246 18th 262 19th 281 20th 300	(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	(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 5bis 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 con- tracting 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. 36(5) PL	Art. 33 PL Fees Law		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	Information about the date of lapse of the patent provided retrospectively.

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	Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Malta	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a) 6 months from due date
R. 39 L.N. 117/2002	3rd	34.94	12th	139.76	(b) n/a	(b) Surcharge where maintenance fee is paid
	4th	46.59	13th	141.41	(c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due	later than the last day of the
	5th	58.23	14th	163.06	date.	month in which the prescribed due date falls and within 1 month from due date: EUR 11.65
	6th	69.88	15th	174.10		within 2 months from due date:
	7th	81.53	16th	186.35		EUR 16.31 within 3 months from due date:
	8th	93.17	17th	198.00		EUR 23.29
	9th	104.82	18th	209.64		within 4 months from due date: EUR 32.61
	10th 11th	116.47 128.12	19th 20th	221.29 232.94		within 5 months from due date: EUR 44.26
						within 6 months from due date: EUR 58.23
	R. 39 L.	N.117/200	02		Art. 26 (2), (3) PA 2000 R. 24 (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) L.N. 117/2002	R. 39 L.N. 117/2002
Monaco	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which	(a) 6 months from due date
Art. 4 PA SO (Fees)	1st	1	11th	230	the date of filing occurred (b) n/a	(b) 20%
Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register:	2nd	30	12th	270	(c) Payment may not be made	
Tel. +377 98989801	3rd	50	13th	305	more than 12 months before due date.	
Fax +377 92057520	4th	55	14th	350		
	5th	95	15th	370		
	6th	130	16th	385		
	7th	145	17th	395		
	8th	150	18th	400		
	9th	165	19th	420		
	10th	185	20th	450		
	SO (Fee	es)			Art. 4(2), (3) MD	Art. 5 SO No. 10.427 Art. 4(4) MD
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(a) No (b) n/a	(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	(a) No (b) No (c) Yes	n/a
R. 24(3) L.N. 117/2002	Art. 46(1), (2) PA 2000		
(a) Yes (reminders are sent abroad) (b) No information available	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) No (b) No (c) n/a	n/a

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)			ed by	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	
Montenegro LAdmFees	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th	EUR 40.00 50.00 60.00 70.00 80.00 100.00 125.00 150.00	Year 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	EUR 200.00 225.00 250.00 275.00 300.00 325.00 350.00 400.00	(b) n/a (c) n/a	(a) 6 months from due payment date (b) 50% Art. 81 PL Art. 101 LAdminFees	

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
o) n/a	(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.	(b) n/a (c) Yes	
	Art. 85 PL	Art. 29 Rules	Art. 3 Rules

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Netherlands Art. 61, 103 PA	Fee no.	Year	EUR	(a) Renewal fees must be paid for each coming patent year and are	(a) 6 months from due date	
Enquiries renewal fees and	1	1st	0	due on the last day of the month in which the anniversary of the date	(b) 50%	
validity: Tel. +31 88 602 66 60	2	2nd	0	of filing falls.		
101. 101 00 002 00 00	3	3rd	0	(b) n/a (c) No specific legal provision		
	4	4th	40	(any time after grant of the patent).		
	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.)		d from ails,			
	Art. 6(7) PR			Art. 61(1), (2) PA	Art. 62 PA Art. 6(8) PR	

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(a) No (b) n/a	(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.	restitutio in integrum	Entry in the patent register Publication in "De Industriële Eigendom" Art. 20, 62 PA

Year MKD Year MKD Art. 86 PL 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 18th 1 800 17th 1 0 000 18th 1 1 000 19th 2 000 11th 4 000 20th 13 000	nent of e)
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9th 2 000 18th 11 000 10th 3 000 19th 12 000	
10th 3 000 19th 12 000	
11th 4 000 20th 13 000	
Norway Year NOK Year NOK (a) Last day of the calendar month (a) 6 months from due date	
Fees Reg. in which the fee year starts, i.e. the month in which the application was (b) NOK 700	
filed at the EPO.	
ard 700 13th 4 200 date of original filing with the EPO	
4th 1 350 14th 4 500 in which the patent was granted by	
the EPO and the month in which the deadline for translation of	
6th 2,000 16th 5,200 renewal fees are due at the same	
7th 2 200 17th 5 500 time as the translated documents at the earliest.	
8th 2 550 18th 5 800 (b) n/a	
9th 2 850 19th 6 200 more than 6 months before due	
10th 3 200 20th 6 500	
§ 29 Fees Reg. §§ 41, 66e PL § 29(2) Fees Reg. § 41(3) PL § 29(3) Fees Reg.	

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(b) No later than 3 months from expiry of the non-observed time limit	(b) n/a (c) Yes	Publication in the official gazette
(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 12 months after expiry of the period of grace under section 3	(a) No (b) No (c) No	Publication in "Norsk patenttidende" (Norwegian Patents Gazette) Entry in the patent register
	§ 72 PL	§ 67 PL	§§ 57 PR (cf. § 55 PL) and 45 PR

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Poland Art. 8 EPAL	Year	PLN	Year	PLN	(a) No later than the date on which the previous protection term ends	(a) 6 months after due date (b) 30%
Fees Reg. Reg. of 8/9/2016	*2nd	160	12th	800	(b) n/a	
Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register:	*3rd 4th	160 250	13th 14th	900 950	(c) Renewal fees may be paid within one year prior to the date on which the previous	
Tel. +48 22 579 05 55					protection term ends.	
Centrum.Kontaktowe@uprp.gov.pl Contact.Center@uprp.gov.pl	5th 6th	300 350	15th 16th	1 050 1 150		
www.uprp.gov.pl	7th	400	17th	1 250		
	8th	450	18th	1 350		
	9th	550	19th	1 450		
	10th	650	20th	1 550		
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	Annex 1	Fees Re	eg.		Art. 224(2), (3) IPL	Art. 224(4) IPL
* For first renewal fee to be paid, se	ı e Art 141	(2) FPC			I	ı

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(a) Yes, on request the PPO informs the right holder of the approaching date of renewal fee payment, no later than one month before the date on which the previous period of protection expires. If the right holder does not receive the information, it has no effect on the assessment of the right holder's compliance with time-limit for payment. (b) n/a	(a) No (b) n/a	(a) Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation. (b) Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation. (c) n/a	Determined by decision of the PPO (communication to right holder) Publication in "Wiadomości Urzędu Patentowego" (official gazette of the Polish Patent Office) Entry in the patent register
Art. 224(2²-2³) IPL		Art. 236(3) IPL	Art. 90, 92 and 233 IPL

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Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plu	is any c	1 unt of fo harges panks)	ees levied by	(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	
Portugal	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a) 6 months from due date	
Art. 90, 365, 366(1), 368, 369 PA Fees Res.	1st	0	11th	376.46	(b) Anniversary of date of filing. In the case of validation or	(b) 50%	
Enquiries re renewal fees and validity:	2nd	0	12th	430.23	conversion, 3 months from the date of the first anniversary		
Tel. +351 21 8818100 Fax +351 21 8869859	3rd	0	13th	484.01	following the date of validation or conversion.		
	4th	0	14th	537.80	(c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due		
	5th	53.13	15th	591.56	date.		
	6th	79.67	16th	591.56			
	7th	106.24	17th	699.12			
	8th	159.37	18th	699.12			
	9th	318.72	19th	752.90			
	10th	371.85	20th	752.90			
	Fees F	Res.			Art. 368(2), (3) PA	Art. 368(7) PA Fees Res.	

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(a) Yes	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register			
(b) No information available	(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	(b) No (c) No	Publication in the Industrial Property Bulletin			
Art. 368(8), (9) PA	Art. 369(1), (2) PA	Art. 10(1), 368(8) PA	Art. 375(1) PA			

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	(plus	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)			(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 Art. 8 AccEPCLaw Annex 1.23 Fees Ord. Art. 11 Fees Ord.	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	EUR 150 160 180 200 240 260 280 300 320 340 370 400 500 500 500	50 742 60 792 80 891 00 990 20 1089 40 1188 60 1287 80 1386 00 1485 20 1584 40 1683 70 1831 00 2475 00 2475 00 2475 00 2475 00 2475		(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) Payments may not be made more than 4 years before the due date.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 50%
		fees are				
San Marino Art. 33(3) PA Fees Decr.	Year 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th	FUR 70 70 70 140 140 140 270	Year 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	270 270 270 400 460 530 600 650	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred(b) n/a(c) n/a	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25%

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) Yes, if proprietor resides	Entry in the patent register
(b) n/a	(b) Within 6 months of publication,	outside Romania	Publication in the patent bulletin
	in the patent bulletin, of the	(b) n/a	Communication to proprietor of
	patent's lapse due to non-payment of renewal fees	(c) Yes	Communication to proprietor of patent
(a) No (b) n/a	Art. 37 PL (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

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal 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 Fees Law	Year	RSD	Year	RSD	(a) Last day of the patent year preceding the patent year for	(a) 6 months from due date	
1 CC3 Law	3rd	11 510	12th	46 110	which the renewal fee is due (a patent year starts on the	(b) 50%	
	4th	13 980	13th	52 700	anniversary of the date of filing)		
	5th	16 470	14th	59 260	(b) n/a		
	6th	19 730	15th	65 840	(c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before the		
	7th	23 010	16th	72 440	due date.		
	8th	26 320	17th	79 020			
	9th	29 620	18th	85 600			
	10th	32 920	19th	92 180			
	11th	39 530	20th	98 760			
	50% fee reduction for natural persons.						
					Tar. No. 111 Fees Law	Art. 40(5) PL Tar. No. 111 Fees Law	
Slovakia § 67 PA	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) The renewal fee for the European patent for each coming	(a) 6 months from due date	
Enquiries re renewal fees and	3rd	66.00	12th	265.50	year must be paid at the latest by the date on which the current year	(b) 100%	
patent register:	4th	82.50	13th	298.50	of validity of the European patent expires.		
Tel. +421 48 4300131 Fax +421 48 4132563	5th	99.50	14th	331.50	(b) The first fee, due in the year in		
infocentrum@indprop.gov.sk	6th	116.00	15th	365.00	which the mention of the grant of the European patent is published		
	7th	132.50	16th	398.00	in the European Patent Bulletin, must be paid		
	8th	149.00	17th	464.50	- on or before the anniversary of		
	9th	165.50	18th	531.00	the date of filing,		
	10th	199.00	19th	597.00	- within 2 months of publication in		
	11th	232.00	20th	663.50	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.		
	§ 67 PA § 1 + Schedule of Fees (Annex) Act No. 495/2008				§§ 6(1), (2), (3), 8(1) Act No. 495/2008	§ 8(4) Act No. 495/2008	
* For first renewal fee to be paid as		4/0\ =50					

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Yes			
(b) n/a	(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	(b) n/a (c) Yes				
	Art. 73 PL	Art. 5 PL	Art. 41(2) PL			
(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register			
(b) n/a	(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	(b) n/a (c) n/a	Mention in the official journal			
	§ 10(1) Act No. 495/2008	§ 79 (3) PA	§ 26 RPA			

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Slovenia Art. 109 IPA	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) For each patent year (a patent year starting on the anniversary of	(a) 6 months from due date
7.1.1.1.00	3rd	30	12th	200	the date of filing) on the last day of the preceding patent year	(b) 50%
	4th	34	13th	234	(b) n/a	
	5th	42	14th	274	(c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due	
	6th	50	15th	310	date.	
	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.		Art. 29(2) IPA	Art. 110(1) IPA
Spain Art. 161 NPL	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the month in which the date of filing occurred	(a) 6 months from expiry of the time limit under section 2(b)
Enquiries re renewal fees and	3rd	18.85	12th	324.37	(b) 3 months from due date	(b) 25% if paid within 3 months,
validity: Tel. +34 91 0780780	4th	23.52	13th	372.39	(c) The day following the due date	50% if paid within 6 months from expiry of the time limit under
	5th	45.00	14th	420.86		section 2(b) (a) and (b) After expiry of the
	6th	66.41	15th	449.45		period of grace renewal may still be secured by paying, before the
	7th	109.63	16th	468.07		due date for the next renewal fee, the fee with a 50% surcharge and
	8th	136.47	17th	499.85		an additional fee of EUR 102.01.
	9th	171.26	18th	499.85		
	10th	220.40	19th	499.85		
	11th	276.27	20th	499.85		
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	Art. 157 NPL An	and 184 nex	NPL		Art. 157 and 184 NPL	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	(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.	(a) No (b) No, if the address for correspondence is on Slovenian territory, otherwise yes (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register Mention in the official bulletin (BIL) Decision on lapse of a patent due to non-payment of fees
Art. 110(2) IPA	Art. 68 IPA	Art. 129 IPA	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" Communication to the owner or the representative Art. 72 RD 316

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Sweden § 86 PA	Year	SEK	Year	SEK	(a) Payment must have been made before expiry of the month in	(a) 6 months from due date
Enquiries re renewal fees:			11th	3 600	which the date of filing occurred	(b) 20%
The Cashier's Office			12th	4 000	(b) n/a	
Tel. +46 8 7822522 Fax +46 8 6660286	3rd	1 500	13th	4 500	(c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due date.	
	4th	1 600	14th	4 900	date.	
	5th	1 800	15th	5 300		
	6th	2 000	16th	5 700		
	7th	2 200	17th	6 100		
	8th	2 600	18th	6 500		
	9th	2 900	19th	6 900		
	10th	3 200	20th	7 300		
	§ 46 PD a	and Anne	ex B		§ 41 PA	§ 41 PA § 46 PD Annex B
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Year	CHF	Year	CHF	(a) Last day of month in which the	(a) 3 months after expiry of time
Art. 41 PA Art. 18, 118a PO	4th	100	13th	400	date of filing occurred (b) 3 months from due date	limit under section 2(b) (b) CHF 50
Enquiries re renewal fees and patent register:	5th	120	14th	460	(c) Payment may not be made more than 2 months before due	
Tel. +41 31 3777777	6th	140	15th	520	date.	
(patent register: www.swissreg.ch)	7th	160	16th	600		
	8th	180	17th	680		
	9th	220	18th	760		
	10th	260	19th	860		
	11th	300	20th	960		
	12th	340				
	Fees Reg	g. (Annex	III)		Art. 18(2), (3), 18c(d) PO	Art. 18(3) PO Fees Reg. (Annex III)

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(a) Yes, but not mandatory	(a) Yes	(a) No	Publication in the patent bulletin
(b) Approx. 1 month after due date	(b) 2 months after removal of obstacle, no later than 12 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	(b) No (c) No	Entry in the patent register
	§ 72 PA	§ 72 PA	§ 51 PA § 42 PD
(a) NIa	(a) Waa	(a) No. but nouse out nousindons on	Communication to magnification of
(a) No. (b) n/a	(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 Art. 46a, 47 PA	(a) No, but payment reminders are not sent abroad. (b) and (c) No, but an address for service in Switzerland/Liechtenstein must be given. Art. 13 PA Art. 13 PA Art. 18d PO	Communication to proprietor of patent Entry in the patent register Published in official publication medium www.swissreg.ch Art. 15 PA Art. 18b, 94, 117 PO

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	Period of grace for payment of fees (with surcharge) (a) duration (b) surcharge
Türkiye Art. 134 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	eskiler/2022/12 1.pdf Fees 2023 *Value added ta	TRY** 1 050 1 210 1 710 2 160 2 400 2 680 2 910 3 180 3 600 4 180 4 810 5 440 6 250 6 830 7 580 8 100 8 540 8 900 Imigazete.gov.tr/ //20221231M5-11- ax and tax to be nice ministry is not	(c) Earliest possible date for	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25% Art. 101 IPL Art. 106 IPLR R. 48 IR
* Far first ran avail for the heaville	o Art. 141(2) ED	2		

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^{**} All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) Yes	Communication to representative
(b) n/a	(b) Within 2 months of publication of the notice of lapse	(b) n/a	Publication in the "Resmi Patent Bülteni"
	of the flotice of lapse	(c) Yes	Entry in the patent register
	Art. 101, 107 IPL Art. 106, 115 IPLR	R. 18 RegEPC R. 47 IR	Art. 101, 107 IPL Art. 106, 115 IPLR

Contracting state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)			ed by	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
United Kingdom	Year	GBP	Year	GBP	(a) Last day of the month	(a) 6 months from due date
Sect. 25, 77 PA Enquiries re renewal fees and	5th	70	13th	260	containing the anniversary of the date of filing	(b) 1st month: 0 (Nil)
validity:	6th	90	14th	300	Where the date of publication in	2nd month: GBP 24
Tel. +44 1633 814433				360	the European Patent Bulletin of the mention of grant of the patent	3rd month: GBP 48
	7th	110	15th		occurs less than 3 months before an anniversary of the date of filing,	4th month: GBP 72
	8th	130	16th	420	the first renewal fee due on the	5th month: GBP 96
	9th	150	17th	470	patent following mention of grant may be paid up to the last day of	6th month: GBP 120
	10th	170	18th	520	the third whole calendar month after the date of publication in the	
	11th	190	19th	570	Bulletin without any additional fee being charged.	
	12th	220	20th	610	(b) Up to the end of the last day of the second month from the due date	
	R. 37, 38	DD			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	Sec. 25(4) PA
	Schedule				R. 37, 38, 41A PR	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 United Kingdom, Gibraltar 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	

Extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)			ed by	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	Year	BAM	Year	BAM	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a) 6 months from due date
Art. 56, 92 PL	3rd	90	12th	720	(b) n/a	(b) 50%
	4th	110	13th	940	(c) Payment may be made within the patent year preceding the	
	5th	130	14th	1 060	patent year for which the renewal fee is due.	
	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		

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	5 Restitutio in integrum (a) provided for? (b) time limit for submitting application	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	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
ວ) Approximately 1 month after ue date	(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	(b) Yes (c) Yes	Publication in the official gazette
	Art. 50(2)(3) PL		Art. 45(1), 56 and 57 PL

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 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th	ALL 0 5 000 6 000 8 000 10 000 12 000 14 000	Year 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th	ALL 27 000 30 000 35 000 40 000 45 000 50 000	(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.	(a) (i) 6 months from due date (ii) 8 months from due date (b) (i) 50% (ii) 100%
	8th 9th 10th Fees De	18 000 20 000 25 000 ecr.	18th 19th 20th	60 000 65 000 70 000	Art. 41(2) PL	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. 88 PA	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th 12th 13th 14th 15th 16th 17th 18th 19th 20th	HRI 260 320 440 560 640 820 940 1 20 1 50 2 30 2 60 3 00 3 50 4 60 5 80 6 90		EUR** 34,51 42,47 58,40 74,32 84,94 108,83 124,76 159,27 199,08 238,90 278,72 305,26 345,08 398,17 464,53 610,52 769,79 915,79	(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.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 100%
* For first renewal fee to be paid se	Art. 14 F				Art. 129 PA	Art. 88(5) PA

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

^{**} Euro became the official currency in the Republic of Croatia on 1 January 2023 to substitute the Croatian kuna as the legal means of payment so far. Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office will be amended accordingly. Subject to related national obligations, transitional dual indication in both Croatian kunas and euros is applicable until December 31, 2023. In accordance with the Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1208 of 12 July 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 2866/98 as regards the conversion rate to the euro for Croatia, fixed conversion rate is established at HRK 7.53450 for EUR 1.

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	5 Restitutio in integrum (a) provided for? (b) time limit for submitting application	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	(a) Yes	(a) and (c) Yes	Publication in the Patent Bulletin
(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	(b) Not later than 6 months from expiry of period of grace under section 3	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP	Entry 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) n/a	
(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	Art. 35 PL	Art. 35 PL	Part XIV (3.3) PR
(a) Yes	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register
(b) Approx. 1 month after due	(b) Within 3 months of the removal	(b) Yes	Publication in the official gazette
date	of the cause of non-compliance with the time limit or 12 months upon expiry of the period of grace for payment of renewal fees	(c) Yes	
Art. 88(6) PA	Art. 28 PA	Art. 17 PA	Art. 20.2 and 90.2 PA

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)		(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
Latvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.) Art. 73 PL Fees Reg.	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th	90 120 140 160 180 220 270	(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.	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25 %
	10th-15th 16th-20th Fees Reg.	320 420		Art. 43(2) PL Fees Reg.
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.) Fees Law Appendix I	Year 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th 10th 11th-15th 16th-20th Fees Law Appendix I	EUR 81 92 115 139 162 185 208 231 289 347	(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 dispatch	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	(a) Yes	(a) Yes	Communication to representative
(b) Not later than 2 weeks after	(b) 2 months after removal of	(b) Yes	Entry in the patent register
due date	obstacle, but no later than 12 months after expiry of the non-	(c) Yes	Publication in the official bulletin
	observed time limit	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	
	Art. 46 PL	Art. 116(3), 117 IPL	
(a) Yes	(a) Yes (request fee: EUR 173)	(a) and (c) Yes	Entry in the patent register
(b) after the due date	(b) Within two months of removal	Legal or natural persons who have	Publication in the official bulletin
	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 <i>bis</i> of the Paris Convention, whichever period ends earlier.	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	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)			ed by	(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	
Montenegro	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Last day of the patent year	(a) 6 months from due payment	
LAdmFees	3rd	40	12th	200	preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (a	date (b) 50%	
	4th	50	13th	225	patent year starts on the anniversary of the date of filing)		
	5th	60	14th	250	(b) n/a		
	6th	70	15th	275	(c) n/a		
	7th	80	16th	300			
	8th	100	17th	325			
	9th	125	18th	350			
	10th	150	19th	375			
	11th	175	20th	400			
						Art. 81 PL Art. 101 LAdminFees	
North Macedonia	Year	MKD	Year	MKD	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a)(i) 3 months from due date	
(The extension system continues to apply to European and	3rd	800	12th	5 000	(b) 2 months from due date	(ii) 9 months from due date	
international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	4th	1 000	13th	6 000	(c) Payment may not be made more than 6 months before due	(b)(i) 25% (ii) 100%	
Art. 67 PL	5th	1 200	14th	7 000	date.	(1) 10070	
	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 Fee	s Law				

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) time limit for submitting		7 Information regarding lapse of patent in cases of non-payment of renewal fees	
(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) No	Entry in the patent register	
(b) n/a	(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.	(b) n/a (c) Yes		
	Art. 85 PL	Art. 29 Rules	Art. 3 Rules	
(a) No	(a) Yes	(a) Yes	Entry in the patent register	
(b) n/a	(b) Not later than 3 months from expiry of the non-observed time limit	(b) n/a (c) Yes	Publication in the official gazette	
	Art. 105 Law on GAP	Art. 16 PL	Art. 39 Reg.	

Former extension state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)		s levied by	(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	Year	EUR	RON	(a) Anniversary of date of filing	(a) 6 months from due date		
(The extension system continues	3rd	150	742	(b) Renewal fees falling due within 3 months of the grant of the patent	(b) 50%		
to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	4th	160	792	may be paid without surcharge within this 3-month period.			
Fees Ord.	5th	180	891	(c) Payment may not be made			
Art. IX of the Annex to the Government Ordinance	6th	200	990	more than 4 years before the due date.			
No. 32/1996	7th	220	1089				
	8th	240	1088				
	9th	260	1287				
	10th	280	1386				
	11th	300	1485				
	12th	320	1585				
	13th	340	1683				
	14th	370	1831				
	15th	400	1980				
	16th	500	2475				
	17th	500	2475				
	18th	500	2475				
	19th	500	2475				
	20th	500	2475				
		ees are pay	s Ordinance /able in EUR				
	Annex 1.2	?3 Fees Or	d.		Fees Ord.		

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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-paymen 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	(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
	Art. 37 PL		

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	Year	RSD	Year	RSD	(a) Last day of the patent year	(a) 6 months from due date
(The extension system continues to apply to European and interna-	3rd	11 510	12th	46 110	preceding the patent year for which the renewal fee is due (a	(b) 50%
tional patent applications filed	4th	13 980	13th	52 700	patent year starts on the anniversary of the date of filing)	
before 1 October 2010.) Fees Law	5th	16 470	14th	59 260	(b) n/a	
1 000 Law	6th	19 730	15th	65 840	(c) Payment may not be made more than 3 months before the	
	7th	23 010	16th	72 440	due date.	
	8th	26 320	17th	79 020		
	9th	29 620	18th	85 600		
	10th	32 920	19th	92 180		
	11th	39 530	20th	98 760		
	50% fee reduction for natural persons.			ural		
					Tar. No. 111 Fees Law	Art. 40(5) PL Tar. No. 111 Fees Law
Slovenia	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) For each patent year (a patent year starting on the anniversary of	(a) 6 months from due date
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2002.)	3rd	30	12th	200	the date of filing) on the last day of the preceding patent year	(b) 50%
	4th	34	13th	234	(b) n/a	
Fees Decr.	5th	42	14th	274	(c) Payment may not be made	
	6th	50	15th	310	more than 12 months before due date.	
	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 D	ecr.		Art. 109 IPA	Art. 109, 110 IPA
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^{*} For first renewal fee to be paid, see Art. 141(2) EPC.

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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	(a) Yes	(a) No	Yes
(b) n/a	(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	(b) n/a (c) Yes	
	Art. 73 PL	Art. 5 PL	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

Validation state Legal basis for levying renewal fees	1 Amount of fees (plus any charges levied by banks)		ed by	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	Informat	tion not a	vailable a	at time of	going to press.			
	Please	consult th	e relevar	nt informa	tion to be published in the EPO Offic	ial Journal.		
Morocco Art. 50.5, 82 Law No. 17-97	Year 1st	MAD	Year 11th	MAD 7 200	(a) Anniversary of date of filing (b) n/a	(a) 6 months from due date (b) 25% per month late started,		
	2nd 3rd 4th 5th	1 200 1 200 1 200 1 200	12th 13th 14th 15th	7 200 7 200 7 200 7 200	(c) Payment may not be made more than 12 months before due date.	and no less than MAD 240		
	6th 7th 8th 9th	1 920 2 400 2 880 3 360	16th 17th 18th 19th	10 000 12 000 12 000 12 000				
	1	4 800 ion is ava or categor		12 000 certain				
	Dec. No.	. 9/2017			Art. 82 Law No. 17-97	Art. 82 Law No. 17-97 Dec. No. 9/2017		
Republic of Moldova	Year	EUR	Year	EUR	(a) Anniversary of filing date	(a) 6 months from due date		
	1st	100	11th	500	(b) until the beginning of each year.	(b) 50%		
	2nd	100	12th	500	(c) No restriction			
	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				
	point 3 in the Annex to Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997				Art. 93(4), 93(4 ¹) Law No. 50/2008 point 461 Gov. Dec. No. 528/2009	Art. 61(3) Law No. 50/2008 Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997		
Tunisia	Informat	tion not a	vailable a	at time of	going to press.			
	Please	consult th	e relevar	nt informa	tion to be published in the EPO Offic	ial Journal.		

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

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4 Communication of a reminder in cases of non-payment (a) provided for? (b) date of dispatch	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.	(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.	(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.	Entry in the patent register	
Art. 82 Law No. 17-97	Art. 84, 14.4 Law No. 17-97	Art. 4 Law No. 17-97	Art. 83, 84 Law No. 17-97	
(a) Yes (b) Within 6 months of the due date	(a) Yes (b) within 2 months from the removal of obstacle, but no later than one year after expiry of 6-month period from due date of renewal fee in question	(a) No (b) Yes (c) Yes	Entry in the National Register of Patents and publication in the Official Bulletin	
Art. 61(3) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 92(2) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 86(2) Law No. 50/2008	Art. 60(5), 68(3) Law No. 50/2008	

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Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal	2 Beginning of period / due date	Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
No express legal provisions, but the Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to retroactively pay any renewal fee which would have fallen due.	2 months from date of invitation	No surcharge	-
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
	renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal n/a No express legal provisions, but the Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to retroactively pay any renewal fee which would have fallen due. No specific provision, but any renewal fees due could be paid within a grace	renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a No express legal provisions, but the Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to retroactively pay any renewal fee which would have fallen due. 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	renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a

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Contracting state	Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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	-
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	From date of notification of the Enlarged Board's decision to set aside board's decision	(a) Until end of 6th month after the due date (b) EUR 50	-
	Art. II § 7(2) LIPC § 7(1) LPF	Art. II § 7(2) LIPC	Art. II § 7(2) LIPC § 7(1) 2nd sentence LPF Fee Schedule LPF	
Greece	3 months	From publication in the European Patent Bulletin of the decision setting aside the patent revocation to the last day of the 3-month period.	Surcharge 50%	The fees are paid according to the current list of fees
	Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Art. 2(10)(g), 24 Law No. 1733/87	Art. 18a, 11(1) Pres. Decr. No. 77/1988 Art. 2(10)(g), 24 Law No. 1733/87
Hungary	6 months	From date of communication of the Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings	(a) 6 months from due date (b) First 3 months without surcharge; 4th, 5th and 6th months: 50%	-
	Art. 84/L(3) PA	Art. 84/L(3) PA	Art. 23, 115/M PA	
Iceland No information available.	Annuities which fall due during restitutio or appeal procedures fall due as if the application / patent was still in force. If the decision of the Board of Appeal to reject an application is reversed by a court, the renewal fee for the fee years beginning after the decision of the Board of Appeal is made and extending until the court ruling comes into effect, may not fall due earlier than two months after the latter date.	2 months from date of the effect of a court ruling.	(a) 6 months (b) 20%	n/a
	Art. 81 cf. Art. 41 PA		Art. 81 cf. Art. 41 PA Art. 2 Fees Reg.	

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Contracting state	Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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	From date of Enlarged Board's decision to re-open the appeal proceedings	No surcharge	-
	No express legal provision in PA or PR but, once the IPOI 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.	No provision – Office practice	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.	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Monaco Currently no specific provision.				

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Contracting state	Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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
Montenegro				
No specific provision.				
Netherlands No specific provision.				
North Macedonia No specific provision.				
Norway § 66e PL	If the Enlarged Board of Appeal of the EPO sets aside a decision of an EPO Board of Appeal to revoke a patent, the renewal fees for any fee years that commenced after the Board of Appeal's decision and up to the date of the Enlarged Board of Appeal's decision fall due 2 months after the date of the latter decision.	2 months	(a) 6 months from due date (b) NOK 700	-
		§ 66e PL		
Poland	No provision. Recommended practice: payment of renewal fees as a precautionary measure while petition for review is pending (with refund if it is unsuccessful) as a precautionary measure.	n/a	n/a	-
Portugal No specific provision.				
Romania Yes	6 months from the missed due date with a surcharge of 50% of the due annuity fee which wasn't paid at the due date	Due date	(a) 6 months (b) 50% of the due annuity fee which wasn't paid at due date	
San Marino No specific provision.				
Serbia No specific provision.				

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Contracting state	Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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
Slovakia No specific provision.				
Slovenia No specific provision.				
Spain	3 months	From publication of the Enlarged Board's decision in the "Boletín Oficial de la Propiedad Industrial"	(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 102.01	
	Art. 157 and 184 NPL	Law 39/2015, Common Administrative Procedure Act	Art. 157 and 184 NPL	
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)	From date of notification of the Enlarged Board's decision	(a) From end of 3rd month to end of 6th month after the due date (b) CHF 50	-
	Analogous application of Art. 41 PA Art. 18, 118a PO	Analogous application of Art. 41 PA and Art. 18, 118a PO	Analogous application of Art. 41 PA and Art. 18, 118a PO	

Contracting state Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening of the proceedings before the boards of appeal Payment of fees with surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	4 Special features
Türkive Applicant should request to pay fee within From date of entry of No	
No specific provision. 3 months from the date of entry of Enlarged Board's decision in European Patent Register without any further notification. After the applicant's request to pay fee,	
Turkish Patent and Trademark Office grants two months of extra time limit.	
United Kingdom 2 months From the day the patent is restored by the Enlarged Board of Appeal (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. 77(5A) PA R. 39 and 41A PR Sect. 77(5A) PA R. 39 and 41A PR Sect. 25(4) PA R. 36(4) PR	

	Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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 feature
Bosnia and Herzegovina				
No specific provision.				

1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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
No express legal provisions, but the	2 months from date	No surcharge	
Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to pay any renewal fee which would have fallen due.	of invitation	No suicharge	
s	send the patent holder an invitation to pay any renewal fee which would have fallen	Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to pay any renewal fee which would have fallen	Croatian Intellectual Property Office would send the patent holder an invitation to pay any renewal fee which would have fallen

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		1 Period for retroactive payment of renewal fees which would have become due during the period between revocation of the patent and reopening 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
continu Europea patent a	a ension system es to apply to an and international pplications filed I March 2003.)	6 months from the missed due date with a surcharge of 50% of the due annuity fee which wasn't paid at the due date	Due date	(a) 6 months (b) 50% of the due annuity fee which wasn't paid at due date	
Serbia					
continu Europea patent a	ension system es to apply to in and international pplications filed I October 2010.)				
Sloveni	a				
continue Europea patent a	ension system es to apply to an and international pplications filed I December				
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	1 Period for retroactive payment of	2 Beginning of	ees after a successful petition 3 Payment of fees with	on for review 26 4 Special features
	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	period / due date	surcharge (a) duration (b) surcharge	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,
ambodia	Information not available at time of going to Please consult the relevant information to be		O Official Journal.	
lorocco o information available.				
epublic of Moldova	6 months	The date on which the mention of the decision to grant a patent is published in BOPI	(a) 6 months (b) –	-
	Art. 57 (1), Art. 57 (4), Art. 88 Law No. 50/2008		Art. 57 (1) Law No. 50/2008	
unisia	Information not available at time of going to	press.		
	Please consult the relevant information to I	pe published in the EPC	Official Journal.	

Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national patent applications

VII.

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.

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
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	(a) Payment of national filing fee (ALL 7 000) (b) Filing of an Albanian translation	2 months after the notification of a request by the GDIP	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Albania must appoint a representative authorised to act before the GDIP.	-
	Art. 87/ë(1) PL	Art. 87/ë(7) PL	Art. 87/ë(7) PL	Art. 195(2) PL	
Austria	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(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	2 months after a request by the Austrian Patent Office (may be extended on request)	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.)	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
	§ 9(1) ILPT	§ 9(2), 24 ILPT § 10 LPOF	§ 9(2) ILPT	§ 24 ILPT § 21(4) PA	

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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
	Deemed withdrawal of the European patent application pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(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	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.	See table III.B, section 1	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
		section 5) (c) Payment of any renewal fees due on the date of payment of the filing fee (see also table VIII, section 3)			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. 6 Law of 21.4.07* Art. 8 Law of 8.7.77** Art. XI.87 ELC***	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***	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***		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	(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	3 months following the date of transmission of the request for conversion to the Bulgarian Patent Office	Yes Applicants who are not established in the Republic of Bulgaria or in another Member State of the European Union, in a state - party to the European Economic Area Agreement or in the Swiss Confederation, are required to act before the Patent Office through a lawyer or an industrial property representative	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	Art. 72f(3), Art. 35(2) PL	Art. 72f(3) PL	Art. 3(2) PL	Art. 72f(1) PL

^{*} 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.

Contracting state	1 Basis for conversion	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
Croatia	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the filing fee and the fee for conversion	2 months from filing the request for conversion	Yes	-
	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	(b) Filing of a Croatian translation			
	Art. 128(1) PA				
Cyprus	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the filing fee (EUR 100) (b) Filing, in duplicate,	(a) 3 months after notification of a request by the CY Patent Office	Yes The procedural steps referred to in	The request for conversion is recorded in Record Book Volume A National
	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 90(3) EPC because the translation in the language of the proceedings was not filed in time	of a translation in Greek	(b) 4 months from filing of the request for conversion	section 2 must be taken by a profes- sional representa- tive in Cyprus if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in Cyprus.	Applications.
	Sect. 70(1) PL	Sect. 70(4) PL R. 59(2) PFR	R. 59(1) PFR	Sect. 70(5) PL	R. 59 PFR
Czech Republic	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (CZK 1 200; CZK 600 if applicant is inventor) (b) Filing, in triplicate, of a Czech translation	(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	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by a national professional representative – see table III.B, section 1.	In the case indicated in section 1, the European patent application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model
		(c) Appointment of a professional representative	(c) see section 4		
	Art. 35b(1) PA	Art. 35b(2), (3), 70 PA	Art. 35b(2), 70 PA	Art. 70 PA	Art. 35b(4) PA Art. 10a of Law No. 478/1992 Coll., on utility models, as amended by Law No. 116/2000 Coll.

Contracting state	1 Basis for conversion	Procedural steps to be taken	Time limit for taking procedural steps referred to in section 2	4 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	5 Special features
Denmark	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Filling a request for conversion with the national authority that received the application (b) Payment of the filing fee (DKK 3 000 + DKK 300 for the 11th and each subsequent claim) (c) Filing of a Danish or English translation	Requests for conversion shall be filed with the central industrial property office with which the European patent application has been filed. The time limit for requesting such conversion is 3 months after the applicant has been notified that the application is deemed to be withdrawn. That office shall within 20 months from the date of filing or the priority date, transmit the request to the DKPTO. The filing fee shall be paid and the translation shall be filed within 3 months of the DKPTO's notifying the application of the European possibility.	No	In the case indicated in section 1, the EP application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model.
	§ 88(1) PA	§§ 88 (1) and 98(2) PA § 89 PO	§ 88(1) PA § 89(2) PO	§ 12 PA	§ 36 Utility Models Act
Estonia	(1) Conversion into a patent application: deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC or Art. 14(2) EPC (2) Conversion into a utility model application: (a) deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC or Art. 14(2) EPC (b) deemed withdrawal for any other reason, refusal or revocation of the patent	(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) (c) Payment of national filing fee (EUR 105) for utility model application	Within 3 months of notification by the Estonian Patent Office of receipt of documents	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.	The European patent application may also be converted into a national application for a utility model (see Section 1) 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(1), (2) IA	§ 11(5), (6) IA §§ 89(5), 99 FA §§ 31 to 34 REP	§ 11(5) and (6) IA	§ 15 IA § 13¹ PA § 31(1) REP	§ 11(5) IA

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
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	(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.	Within 3 months of the PRH notifying the applicant of receipt of the request for conversion	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.	A pending EP application may be converted into a national application for a utility model.
	§ 70s PA	§§ 8, 70s PA	§ 70s PA § 52s PD	§ 12 PA	§§ 8, 8a Utility Models Act §§ 5, 5a Utility Models Decree
France	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of - national filing fee (for electronic filings EUR 26) - the fee for a search report (EUR 520), (b) Filing of a French translation	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.	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 principal place of business in France or in another member state of the EU or EEA. For proprietors resident or having their place of business outside the EU/EEA, it is compulsory to appoint a professional representative online at procedures.inpi.fr.	For the procedure for filing a request for conversion, see DG Dec. No. 2018-156 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 (as amended 6.3.20) Regarding provisions applicable to utility certificates, see Art. L. 611-2 PL
	Art. L. 614-6 PL	Art. R. 614-5 and R. 614-17 Reg. DG Dec. No. 2018-156 and Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 (as amended 6.3.20)	Art. R. 614-5, R. 612-31, para 2 Reg.	Art. R. 612-2 Reg.	

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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
Germany	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	 (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 	(a) 3 months from filing of the request for conversion (b) 3 months after notification of a request by the DPMA	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.	As regards the legal device known as derivation (Abzwei- gung) of an application for a utility model from an EP application, see OJ EPO 1987, 175.
	Art. II § 9(1) LIPC	Art. II § 9(1), (2) LIPC § 3(1) LPF Fees Schedule LPF § 37 PA	§ 6(1) LPF Art. II § 9(2) LIPC	§ 25 PA	
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)	(a) Payment of the filing fee (EUR 50) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Greek translation of the patent application	(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	The procedural steps referred to in section 2 must be taken by the applicant or by a Greek legal practitioner.	The request for conversion is recorded 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. 23(10)(f) Law No. 1733/87 Art. 20 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 21(1), (2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88 Dec. of 31.8.2016	Art. 21(1), (2) Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	Art. 19 Pres. Decr. No. 77/88	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	(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	(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	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. 84/F(1), (3) PA	Art. 3(1) FeeDecr Art. 84/F(2) and (3) PA	Art. 84/F(2) and (3) PA	Art. 51(1), (4) 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
Iceland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the filing fee in accordance with the current fees regulation. (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.	Within 3 months of the ISIPO's notifying the applicant of receipt of the request for conversion	An applicant who is not domiciled in Iceland must have a representative 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. 88 PA	Art. 88 PA Art. 59 and 5 PR Art. 2(1)(a-b) Fees reg.	Art. 59(3) PR	Art. 12 PA	

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pursuant to			referred to in section 2	professional representative be appointed?	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
	DEPC ((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	If the IPOI is the receiving Office (a) Request for conversion within 3 months from the date of application being deemed to be withdrawn by the EPO (b) Payment of fees at same time as (a) (c) 2 months from receipt by the Controller of the request for conversion (d) 2 months from receipt by the Controller of the request for conversion If the IPOI is not the receiving Office (a) 20 months from the date of filing of the application or the declared priority date (b) Payment of fees within 2 months from date of notification to the applicant of receipt of a request for conversion from the Central Industrial Property Office of another contracting state at which the application was filed (c) 2 months from date of notification by the Controller to the applicant of receipt of a request for conversion from the Central Industrial Property Office of another contracting state at which the application was filed (d) 2 months from date of notification by the Controller to the application was filed (d) 2 months from date of notification by the Controller to the application was filed (d) 2 months from date of notification by the Controller to the application was filed (d) 2 months from date of notification by the Controller to the application was filed	Yes, if the applicant has neither a residence nor his principal place of business in the EEA		
Sect. 122(1) R. 86 PR	F	Sect. 17(2), 122(2) PA R. 86(1) PR Patent Fees Rules	Sect. 122 PA R. 86 PR	R. 93(1) PR SI No.141 of 2006, S.I. 579/2015		

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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	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. Art. 147 (3bis) PL	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)	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				
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	(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	1 month after receipt by the State Patent Bureau of the request.	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. 82(1) PL	Art. 82(2) PL	Art. 15(2) PL	Art. 14(3) PL	

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Luxembourg	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the filing fee (EUR 40) (b) Filing of a French or German translation of the claims, if the European patent application has been filed in English	3 months from a request by the Luxembourg Intellectual Property Office	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.	-	
	Art. 11 Law of 27.5.77	Art. 13 Law of 27.5.77 Fees Reg.	Art. 13 Law of 27.5.77			
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.	(a) Payment of the prescribed fee (EUR 698.81) (b) Filing of a translation in one of Malta's official languages	Within 2 months from the date the Comptroller invites the applicant to submit the translation and pay the prescribed fee	Foreign applicants whose permanent residence or business is not in any EU member state must appoint an agent who has his/her ordinary residence or principal place of business in Malta to represent them.	-	
	R. 10(1) L.N. 99/2007	R. 10(2) L.N. 99/2007	R. 10(2) L.N. 99/2007	Art. 61(2) PA 2000		
Monaco	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (EUR 30) (b) Filing of a French translation	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.	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.	-	
	Art. 6 SO No. 10.427	SO (Fees)	Art. 3 MD			
Montenegro	/					
Netherlands	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of the national filing fee (EUR 90) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Dutch translation	3 months after receipt of the request for conversion	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 tran tion must be filed if requi by the NPO.	
	Art. 47 PA	Art. 48(2) PA	Art. 48(2) PA		Art. 48(2) 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
North 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	(a) Payment of the filing fee and the fee for conversion (b) Filing of a Macedonian translation Art. 125(2) PL	2 months from filing the request for conversion	Yes	-
Norway	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC.	(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	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 the due date on the invoice. Any translations must be filed within 3 months of acknowledgement by the NIPO of receipt of the request for conversion.	No	-
	§ 66m PL	§ 21 Fees Reg. § 66m PL § 62 PR	§ 66m PL § 3 Fees Reg. § 62(2) PR		

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Contracting state	1 Basis for conversion	Procedural steps to be taken	Time limit for taking procedural steps referred to in section 2	Must a national professional representative be appointed?	5 Special features
Poland	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC Withdrawal or refusal of the application	(a) Payment of - filing fee (PLN 550, or PLN 500, if the applica- tion is filed electronical- ly, plus PLN 25 for each page of the description, claims and drawings in excess of 20 pages) - extra fee for a decla- ration claiming priority (PLN 100 for each priority) (b) Filing, in duplicate, of a Polish translation of the patent application (containing the descrip- tion of the invention, the abstract, patent claims and drawings)	At the latest, within two months of service of the PPO's invitation.	Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation.	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	Art. 5(2-3) EPAL Annex 1 item I 1 and 2 Fees Reg.	Art. 5(2) EPAL	Art. 236(3) IPL	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.	(a) Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national patent applications or patents: Payment of national filing fee: EUR 109.07 if filed online, EUR 218.14 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 190.87 if filed online, EUR 381.74 if filed on paper (b) Filing of a Portuguese translation	2 months after receipt by INPI of the request for conversion	No	The EP application may also be converted into an application for a utility model.
	Art. 88(1), (2), (3), 89(3) PA	Art. 83, 88(4), (6) PA Fees Res.	Art. 88(6) PA	Art. 10 PA	Art. 89 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
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	(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 authorized 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. 9(1) AccEPCLaw				Art. 14(5) LMU
San Marino	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(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 main- tained by the USBM	-
	Art. 9(1)(b) Decree Law No. 76/2009				
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.	(a) Payment of national fees 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	Within 2 months of filing the request for conversion	Yes	-
	Art. 153(1) PL	Art. 153(4)(5) PL	Art. 153(5) PL	Art. 5 PL	

VII. Conversion of European patent applications or patents into national patent applications						
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	
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.	(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 coinventors) 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.	3 months from the date of the invitation by the Slovak Industrial Property Office	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	European patent application may also be converted into an application for a utility model.	
	§ 61(1) PA	§ 61(2) PA Schedule of Fees, items 216(a), 216a(a), Fees Law	§ 61(2) PA	§ 79 (2) PA	§ 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	-	

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
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)	(a) Payment of - filing fee (EUR 102.39 for paper filings/EUR 87.03 for electronic filings) - fee for each priority (EUR 20.05 for paper filings/EUR 17.04 for electronic filings) (b) Filing of a Spanish translation Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year.	2 months after receipt by OEPM of the request for conversion	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.	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. 158 NPL	Art. 98 RD 316	Art. 98 RD 316	Art. 158 NPL	Art. 159 NPL
Sweden	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(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	3 months after acknowledgement by the SE Patent Office of receipt of the request for conversion	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.	-
	§ 93(1) PA	§ 93(1) PA § 66 PD	§ 66 PD	§ 12 PA	

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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).	(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	(a) and (b) time limit set by the IPI (c) 6 months from a request by the IPI (surcharge payable from 4th month)	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.	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.
	Art. 121 PA	Art. 123 PA Art. 118, 17a(1)(a), 49, 18 PO Fees Reg. (Annex III)	Art. 118 PO	Art. 13 PA Art. 118 PO	
Türkiye	Deemed withdrawal pursuant to Art. 77(3) EPC	(a) Payment of national filing fee: TRY 160* The filing fee is increased according to the number of priorities, see List of Fees. (b) Filing in duplicate of a Turkish translation	3 months after receipt of the request for conversion by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office	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 Türkiye.	In the case indicated in section 1 the EP application may be converted into a national patent or utility model application.
	R. 19 RegEPC	R. 20 RegEPC Fees 2023	R. 20 RegEPC	R. 20 RegEPC	R. 19 RegEPC

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

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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
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

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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	(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
		BKT Shkolla Baletit TIRANE-SHQIPERI Account No.		the GDIP
		515003225CLPBCLALLZQ		
		IBAN: AL11 2051 1650 0032 25CL PBCL ALLZ		
		SWIFT: NCBAALTXXXX		
Austria	POR	Österreichisches Patentamt	(a) Payment to the account in section 2	3(a) Date of payment at the BAWAG P.S.K. AG
		BAWAG P.S.K. AG Georg-Coch-Platz 2 1018 WIEN	(b) Transfer to the account in section 2	3(b) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2
		IBAN: AT75 0100 0000 0516 0000 BIC: BUNDATWW	(c) Electronic payment in connection with the electronic filing of a German translation of the patent specification	3(c) Date of payment using one of the methods of electronic payment offered in the web based form
			§ 8 POR	§ 8 POR
Belgium	RD (Fees)	Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle (OPRI) auprès du Service public fédéral	- payment or transfer to OPRI's account	Payment is considered to have been made:
		Économie, PME, Classes moyennes et Énergie Rue du Progrès, 50	- debit from a deposit account with the OPRI - on-the-spot electronic payment by	on the date it is credited to the OPRI's account if it is made by transfer or electronically
		1210 BRUXELLES BPost SA Centre Monnaie 1000 BRUXELLES	debit card Where represented before the OPRI:	on the date of the OPRI's receipt of the request to debit the fee amount, provided sufficient funds are available
		IBAN: BE61 6792 0058 8017 BIC: PCHQBEBB	- any person can pay renewal fees - for other fees, natural or legal persons having neither their residence nor their actual place of business in a member state of the EEA need not be represented for	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.
			the purposes of paying fees in OPRI proceedings.	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. XI.62 ELC Art. 4 RD (Fees)	Art. 6, 7, 9, 11 RD (Fees)
Bulgaria	Art. 5, Art. 33 PL Decr. Fees	Bulgarian Patent Office Bulgarian National Bank	(a) Cash payment (b) Bank transfer	3(a) Date of the payment order at Bulgarian Patent Office
		(BNB) Centralno Upravlenie 1, Knyaz Alexander I Sq. 1000 SOFIA	(c) on-line payment instrument via BPO portal	3(b) Date of payment order at the bank
		IBAN: BG90 BNBG 9661 3100 1709 01		
		SWIFT: BNBGBGSF		
		BNB correspondent bank account in TARGET2: IBAN: BG83 BNBG 9661 1100 0661 41		

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Croatia	AFees RFees	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: NBHRHR2X	(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 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
Cyprus	PL PFR	Registrar of Companies and Intellectual Property CENTRAL BANK OF CYPRUS 80, Kennedy Avenue 1076 NICOSIA IBAN: CY53 0010 0001 0000 0000 0600 1023 SWIFT: CBCYCY2NFBU www.companies.gov.cy/en/ business-entities/2-company/5- lifecycle/1-running-a-company/ 5-guidance/obtaining-certified- copies-certificates/obtaining- certified-copies-certificates-via- email	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) Administrative 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 Art. 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 (e) Credit or debit card Any payment to the DKPTO shall be sent in DKK (Danish currency). The payment shall always be accompanied by detailed instructions/information.	3(a) and 3(e) 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) Luminor Bank Liivalaia 45 10145 TALLINN IBAN: EE70 1700 0170 0157 7198 BIC/SWIFT: RIKOEE22 (4) LHV Pank Tartu mnt 2 10145 TALLINN IBAN: EE7777700771003813400 BIC/SWIFT: LHVBEE22	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

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Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Finland	PA Fees Decr.	Patentti- ja rekisterihallitus 00091 PRH Client Service: Sörnäisten rantatie 13 C HELSINKI (1) Danske Bank A/S, Finland Branch Televisiokatu 1 00075 DANSKE BANK IBAN: FI34 8919 9710 0007 32 BIC: DABAFIHH (2) Nordea Bank Abp Satamaradankatu 5 00020 NORDEA IBAN: FI97 1660 3000 1042 27 BIC: NDEAFIHH	(a) Payment Service (Online bank/Credit card/Mobile payment) (b) Deposit Account Service (c) (Cabled) transfer to a Finnish bank in favour of one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2 (d) Debit or credit card payment at Customer Service	3(a), 3(b) and 3(d) Date of receipt of payment at the PRH 3(c) Date on which credited to one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2
France	Fees Ord. of 24.4.08 (as amended 6.3.20) 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/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 payment offices of the DPMA (b) Credit transfer to an account of the Bundeskasse branch responsible for the DPMA (c) Cash payment via a domestic or foreign financial institution into an account of the Bundeskasse branch responsible for the DPMA (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.

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Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Greece	Dec. of 31.8.2016	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) Deposit into the OBI"s account with Alpha Bank or its account with the National Bank of Greece (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 31.8.2016 Art. 123 Law No. 4512/2018	3(a) Date of successful conclusion of the transaction as per OBI's online system 3(b) Date of the deposit 3(c) Date on which the amount is credited to the OBI's account with Alpha Bank or its account with the National Bank of Greece
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) Date of 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.	Hugverkastofan (Icelandic Intellectual Property Office) Engjateigur 3 105 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 and relevant EP number.	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) 3(b) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2

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Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Ireland	PA PR	Intellectual Property Office of Ireland Government Buildings Hebron Road KILKENNY R95 H4XC DANSKE BANK DBEI Intellectual Property Office of Ireland EFT – Public Bank Account Account No. 80012459 IBAN: IE94 DABA 9519 9080 0124 59 BIC: DABAIE2D	The IPOI accepts payment of renewal fees and grant fees by electronic means only. (1) Credit/Debit Card. Renewal fees and grant fees can be paid via the IPOI website. Filing fees, Search fees can be paid through the online filing system. Other fees can be paid by telephone – our office is open Monday to Friday 9.30am to 5pm. (2) EFT/Bank Details – The IPOI 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 IPOI's 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@ipoi.gov.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@ipoi.gov.ie or telephone +353 56 7720111.	(1) Date of payment made online or via telephone. (2) Date of receipt of EFT transfer in the IPOI's bank account

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Contracting state	National provisions	Payee Bank details	Methods of payment	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 states Payee: Tesoreria dello Stato Name of bank: Banca d'Italia IBAN: IT09 Z010 0003 2453 4800 8121 701 BIC: BITAITRRENT (c) 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 3(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.	Patentu valde Citadeles iela 7/70 RIGA, LV1010 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			

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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	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2
		Reference number: 5310		
		(1) Luminor Bank AS Lithuanian branch		
		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) SWEDBANK AB		
		Bank Code: 73000		
		IBAN: LT24 7300 0101 1239 4300		
		BIC: HABALT22		
		(5) UAB Medicinos bankas		
		Bank Code: 72300		
		IBAN: LT42 7230 0000 0012 0025		
		BIC: MDBALT22		
		(6) AS "Citadele banka" Lithuanian branch		
		Bank Code 72900		
		IBAN: LT78 7290 0000 0013 0151		
		BIC: INDULT2X		
	PL (Art. 89.2) Fees Reg.	Ministère de l'Économie Office de la Propriété Intellectuelle 2914 Luxembourg	Bank transfer	Date on which amount is credited to the account indicated in section 2
		Post Luxembourg		
		IBAN: LU91 1111 7125 0540 0000		
		BIC: CCPLLULL		

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	Date considered as the effective payment date
Malta	PA 2000 L.N. 99/2007	Industrial Property Registrations Directorate (IPRD) Bank of Valletta Triq il-Kanun Santa Venera SVR 9030 Malta Account No.: 40018101689 (bank charges to be borne by the payer) Account Name: "Commerce" Reference: "Patent No" IBAN: MT58 VALL 2201 3000 0000 4001 8101 689 BIC: VALLMTMT	(a) Bank cheque (b) Cash payment (c) Bank transfer	3(a) and 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at IPRD 3(c) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2
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
Montenegro		Ministarstvo Finansija Stanka Dragojevica 2 81000 PODGORICA Party Identifier: 000-55 062 301 CRNOGORSKA KOMERCIJALNA BANKA AD PODGORICA IBAN: ME25510000000000286384 SWIFT: CKBCMEPG Name of the correspondent bank: RAIFFEISEN ZENTRSLBANK OESTERREICH AG VIENNA SWIFT: RZBAATWW	Bank transfer	The date on which the amount is paid or transferred to the account in section 2 is considered to be the date of payment.

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Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
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
North Macedonia	Fees Law	State Office of Industrial Property (SOIP) National Bank of the Republic of North 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 municipality code 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
Norway	PL PR Fees Reg.	Patentstyret DNB ASA PB 1600 Sentrum NO 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). Renewal fees can be paid online. This service is free of charge and available on the NIPO's digital services website: payment.patentstyret.no 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

Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	Date considered as the effective payment date
Poland	Fees Reg.	Urząd Patentowy RP Narodowy Bank Polski Oddział Okręgowy WARSZAWA IBAN: PL93 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 PPO 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
Portugal	Art. 90, 365, 366(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 card¹ (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 Customer Support Service that they number and send to the INPI PT 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

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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: Trezoreria Sector 3 Strada Cireşului nr. 6 Sector 3 BUCUREŞTI IBAN: RO05 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 0030 3409 8040 0004 0104 363 SWIFT: BASMSMSMXXX	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the bank accounts indicated in section 2
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 44018	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

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Slovakia	PA	Úrad priemyselného vlastníctva SR Švermova 43 974 04 BANSKÁ BYSTRICA 4	(a) Postal money order (b) Bank transfer	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
		Štátna pokladnica Radlinského 32 810 05 BRATISLAVA 15		for payment, the period is considered to have been respected.
		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		
		where:		
		9 = prefix – European patent application/European patent		
		yyyyyyyy = publication number of the European patent application (without A or B)		
			§ 7(5) Fees Law § 4 Act No. 495/2008	

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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). (c) Credit card (Visa, MasterCard), except for annual fees 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. In the event of any incident, please, send an email to: pagos.transferencias@oepm.es.	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 payment is credited to the OEPM account and the payment details are provided.

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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: SE69 1200 0000 0128 1011 1758 BIC/SWIFT: DABASESX or electronically: via the Web Shop (only available in Swedish) on the website of the SE Patent Office	(Cabled) transfer to a Swedish bank in favour of the Giro account indicated in section 2	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 3(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.

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Contracting state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
Türkiye	DL No. 551 IPL Fees 2023	Türk Patent ve Marka Kurumu (a) Payments in TRY: Ziraat Bankası/Ankara Kamu Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 34272132-5280 IBAN: TR45 0001 0017 4534 2721 3252 80 BIC: TCZBTR2AANK (b) Payments in EUR: Ziraat Bankası/Ankara Kamu Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 34272132-5335 IBAN: TR15 0001 0017 4534 2721 3253 35 BIC: TCZBTR2A (c) Payments in USD: Ziraat Bankası/Ankara Kamu Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 34272132-5334 IBAN: TR42 0001 0017 4534 2721 3253 34 BIC: TCZBTR2A (d) Payments in CHF: Ziraat Bankası/Ankara Kamu Kurumsal Şubesi Account No. 34272132-5336 IBAN: TR85 0001 0017 4534 2721 3253 36 IBAN: TR85 0001 0017 4534 2721 3253 36 BIC: TCZBTR2A	Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Türkiye must appoint an authorised professional representative pursuant Article 160 IPL. Renewal fees may be paid either: (a) online by credit card through the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office website (https://epats.turkpatent.gov.tr/run/TP/EDEVLET/giris) or (b) by bank transfer. Patentees paying by bank transfer should receive a payment number from Turkish Patent and Trademark Office website (https://epats.turkpatent.gov.tr/run/TP/EDEVLET/giris) and bank account in section 2(a) is closed to swift payments and electronic fund transfer.	3(a) Date of receipt of payment at the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office 3(b) Date on which credited to bank account indicated in section 2 (a)
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

Extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	Date considered as the effective payment date
Bosnia and Herzegovina Spec. Fees Admin. Fees		(a) Payments made within Bosnia and Herzegovina:	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2
		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) RAIFFEISEN BANK d.d. BOSNA I HERCEGOVINA Zmaja od Bosne bb 71 000 Sarajevo		
		Budget account no. 1610000010751394		
		(4) Intesa Sanpaolo banka d.d. Sarajevo 71000 Sarajevo		
		Budget account no. 1549212013183391		
		(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		
		BIC/SWIFT: DEUTDEFF		
		Payee's bank details:		
		BIC/SWIFT: CBBSBA22		
		Account Number: 100935962100 EUR Centralna Banka Bosne i Hercegovine Maršala Tita 25 SARAJEVO		
		Beneficiary:		
		IBAN: BA39 0000 0300 0000 0145		
		Name:Ministarstarstvo finansija i trezora Bosne i Hercegovine		
		Address:Trg BiH 1		
		City, Country:Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina		
		Information		

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Extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
		(Reference):Paxment reference:06411		

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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.) Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	AFees RFees	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 Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Croatia Katanciceva 5 10000 ZAGREB State Budget of the Republic of Croatian National Bank Trg hrvatskih velikana 3 10000 ZAGREB IBAN: HR12 1001 0051 8630 0016 0 BIC/SWIFT: NBHRHR2X	(a) Bank transfer (b) Cash payment (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 be followed by a remittance notice indicating the European patent application or European patent concerned.	3(a) Date on which credited to the bank account indicated in section 2 3(b) Date of receipt of payment at the GDIP 3(a) and 3(b) Date on which credited to the account indicated in section 2	
Catvia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	PL PR Fees Reg.	Patentu valde Citadeles iela 7/70 RIGA, LV1010 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	

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Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	4 Date considered as the effective payment date
	Art. 75 PL State Tax Inspectorate u Fees Law the Ministry of Finance of Republic of Lithuania	State Tax Inspectorate under the Ministry of Finance of the Republic of Lithuania	Bank transfer	Date on which credited to one of the accounts indicated in section 2
continues to		Reference number: 5310		
apply to European and international		(1) Luminor Bank AB (former AB DNB Bank)		
patent applications		Bank Code: 40100		
filed before 1 December		IBAN: LT74 4010 0510 0132 4763		
2004.)		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		
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Former extension state	1 National provisions	2 Payee Bank details	3 Methods of payment	Date considered as the effective payment date
Montenegro		Ministarstvo Finansija Stanka Dragojevica 2 81000 PODGORICA Party Identifier: 000-55 062 301 CRNOGORSKA KOMERCIJALNA BANKA AD PODGORICA IBAN: ME255100000000000286384 SWIFT: CKBCMEPG Name of the correspondent bank: RAIFFEISEN ZENTRSLBANK OESTERREICH AG VIENNA SWIFT: RZBAATWW	Bank transfer	The date of payment is considered the date on which the amount is paid or transferred to the account cited in section 2.
North 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 North 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 municipality code 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

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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: Trezoreria Sector 3 Strada Cireşului nr. 6 Sector 3 BUCUREŞTI IBAN: RO05 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 State administrative fees and renewal fees: Account No. 840-30880845-62, followed by reference No. 97 44018	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.

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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 points 444-461 Gov. Dec. No. 528/2009 Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	MF-Trezoreria de Stat, Agenția de Stat pentru Proprietatea Intelectuală Beneficiary Bank: National Bank of Moldova, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova IBAN: MD55TRPAAA142310A15851 AA SWIFT: NBMDMD2X	(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	

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

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- 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.

	tering a transfer, necroces and other rights in respect of a European	, , ,	1
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. 1. Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory)	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; attorney at law, patent attorney or notary authorised	Yes
	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.	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	
	2. Licences and other rights Application and documents as under 1(a). §§ 34, 35, 36, 45 PA		No

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Entries and data recorded in the register	Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	7 Special features		
Transfer of rights and licences	No	Documents not drafted in Albanian must		
Entries in the register have legal effect.		be accompanied by a translation.		
Art. 32(2) PL				
Transfer of rights	No	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) to (4) PA Liens and other rights in rem, licences, entries relating to disputes § 43(1) to (4) PA		Entries in the register have legal effect. Priority is determined by the order in which applications for entry are presented at the Patent Office.		
	Entries and data recorded in the register Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 32(2) PL Transfer of rights \$ 43(1) to (4) PA Liens and other rights in rem, licences, entries relating to disputes	Entries and data recorded in the register Transfer of rights and licences Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 32(2) PL Transfer of rights No No S 43(1) to (4) PA Liens and other rights in rem, licences, entries relating to disputes		

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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 coownership Art. XI.50 ELC Art. 33 and 33a 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 3. Adjoining rights, pledging as under 1. Art. XI.52 ELC	see table III.B, section 1	Yes, for contractual licences 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
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.	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.
	Art. XI.50(6) ELC Art. 34(3) RD of 2.12.86 Art. 8(1) (10) RD of 12.5.15		
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

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Bulgaria	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 who are not established in the Republic of Bulgaria or in another Member State of the European Union, in a state - party to the European Economic Area Agreement or in the Swiss Confederation, are required to act before the Patent Office through a lawyer or an industrial property representative 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.	Yes Applicants who are not established in the Republic of Bulgaria or in another Member State of the European Union, in a state - party to the European Economic Area Agreement or in the Swiss Confederation, are required to act before the Patent Office through a lawyer or an industrial property representative Art. 3(2) PL	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
BGN 60	Entry in the register has declaratory effect.	No	Documents not drafted in Bulgarian must be accompanied by a translation.
	Art. 4 PL		
BGN 60	Entry in the register has declaratory effect. The licence has effect with respect to third parties as from the date of entry.		Documents not drafted in Bulgarian must be accompanied by a translation.
	Art. 31 PL		

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Croatia	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	Yes	Yes
	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. 107-111 PA Art. 32 PO	Art. 17 PA	Art. 32(3) PO
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.		
Cyprus	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,	Yes	Form P.3
	containing the EP number, date of filing, title of the invention, names, addresses and nationalities of the parties concerned.		
	R. 5(2) PFR	R. 58(1) PFR	R. 44 PFR
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	Only for compulsory licences and government uses	Form P.16

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 200/EUR 26,54 per entry	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.	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. 49.(1) RFees	Art. 109 PA		Art. 109.7 PA
(note: Euro became the official currency in the Republic of Croatia on 1 January 2023 to substitute the Croatian kuna as the legal means of payment so far.			Art. 32 PO
Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office will be amended accordingly.			
Subject to related national obligations, transitional dual indication in both Croatian kunas and euros is applicable until December 31, 2023.			
In accordance with the Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1208 of 12 July 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 2866/98 as regards the conversion rate to the euro for Croatia, fixed conversion rate is established at HRK 7.53450 for EUR 1.)			
EUR 100	Entries in the register have legal effect.	Yes	Documents not drafted in Greek must be accompanied by a translation.
	Sect. 49 PL R. 44(1)(a) and (b) PFR	Sect. 68 PL	
EUR 100			

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
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 Art. 17 DP	Yes Art. 70 PA	No
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. In case of transfer by operation of law, a certified copy of the official document relevant for the transfer must be filed with the DKPTO. § 44 PA	No	No
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement (extract) or declaration signed by licensor and licensee that determines the license, including information about the subject of the license (patent registration number), the scope of the license, information about the parties including their names and addresses, and names and addresses of the representatives, if any. § 44 PA	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
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. Art. 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. Art. 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
No, but see section 7	The transfer of a patent, the grant of a license, the pledging of a patent, the levying of execution on the patent or the commencement of insolvency proceedings against the proprietor of the patent shall on request be entered in the register. § 44 PA § 47(1)(3) 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.

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Estonia	1. Transfer of rights	Yes	No
	(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	§ 15 IA	
	2. Licences and other rights		No
	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		
Finland	1. Transfer of rights	No	No
	(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		
	2. Licences and other rights	No	No
	Copy or extract of the licence agreement		
	§ 44 PA § 42 PD		

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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 32, unless transfer of rights took place before filing of translation of the European patent specification	Transfer of rights, registration of a licence or a mortgage	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	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.	
§ 108(2) FA	§§ 45 to 47 PA § 17(7) IA	§ 31(4) REP	§ 41(2) PA	
EUR 100 for each entry Registering a change of the applicant's/patentee's name, address or patent agent: no fee	Transfer of rights, licences, pledges Registration of transfers and licences has declaratory effect. § 44 PA § 42 PD Registration of pledge agreement 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.	
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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)	No (provided the applicant has	Yes, in 4 copies
	- 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.	his residence or place of business in France or another EU or EEA member state; otherwise, appointment of a representative is compulsory)	
	Art. R. 613-55 Reg. DG Dec. No. 2017-146		
	- 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. DG Dec. No. 2017-146		

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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.	Requests for entry in the national patent register are accepted only if they are submitted in electronic form using the dedicated online service offered on the INPI website (eprocedures.inpi.fr). 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 (as amended 6.3.20) 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 (as amended 6.3.20)	Art. L. 613-9. PL	Art. L. 614-11. PL	

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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		
			N
	(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		
	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:	Yes	No
	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		
	§ 15(2) in conjunction with § 30(4) PA	§ 25 PA	
	- Licence of right:	Yes	No
	Written endorsement from the patent applicant or patent proprietor		
	§ 23(1) PA	§ 25 PA	

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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 Richt- linien für die Umschreibung von Schutz- rechten und Schutzrechtsanmeldungen in der Patentrolle [] (Guidelines for the transfer of different kinds of protection of property rights and applications for proper- ty 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
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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)	No, unless the applicant is not in a position to file necessary	No	
	- sale: Contract of sale	documents.		
	- 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	No	No	
	Licence agreement			
	Art. 12 Law No. 1733/87			

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 officially translated into Greek.
Dec. of 31.8.2016			
EUR 200			
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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	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.	No
	Art. 55(2) PA	Art. 51(1), (4) PA	

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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.	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).	
	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.		
Art. 53/C(2)(b) PA Art. 16 FeeDecr	Art. 54, 55, 25(2) PA	Art. 55(2) PA Art. 16 FeeDecr	

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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	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	Not unless the transfer concerns a patent application.	No
	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	Art. 12 PA (Art. 66 PA if granted)	
	2. Licences and other rights	No	No
	License agreement		
	Art. 44 PA		
	Art. 75, 76 PR		
Ireland	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	No	Yes
	Certified copy of the relevant document		
	Sect. 85 PA R. 58 PR		
	2. Licences and other rights	No	Yes
	Evidence that the applicant is not precluded by contract from granting licences		
	Document setting out the terms of the licence		
	Sect. 68 PA		
	R. 46 PR		
Italy	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	No	No
	- 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		
	2. Licences and other rights	No	No
	as under 1.		
	Art. 138 PL		

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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
Yes	Recording upon request of transfer of rights	Yes, until a decision of the EPO to grant becomes final, e.g. following opposition or appeals proceedings.	Documents are accepted in Icelandic, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish and English.
		A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	
Art. 18(1) Fees Reg.	Art. 44 PA	Art. 77 PR	
Yes	Grant of a license may be recorded upon request.		
Art. 18(1) Fees Reg.	Art. 44 PA		
EUR 50	Transfer of rights	No	Documents not drafted in English must be accompanied by a verified translation.
For each additional patent where the devolution of title is the same as in the first patent: EUR 6			,
EUR 25	Licence of right		
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	Yes A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	The application for transfer can be filed on ordinary paper having a revenue stamp (EUR 16) every 4 pages.
EUR 50		Art. 139(5) PL Art. 10 Min. Decr. No. 33	

	tering a transfer, recrices and other rights in respect of a European	7	1
Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Latvia	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	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	No, but recommended
	Art. 50, 51 PL	Art. 116(3), 117(3.2) IPL	
	Licences and other rights Written request to have the transaction recorded, licence agreement	Yes, as under 1.	No, but recommended
	Art. 52 PL		
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland		
Lithuania	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	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.	No
	Art. 42 PL	Art. 14(3) PL	
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement	Yes, as under 1.	No
	Art. 45 PL	Art. 14(3) PL	
Luxembourg	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	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.	No
	Art. 53 PL Art. 23 Decr.	Art. 83(4) PL	
	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	Entries in the register have legal effect	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.
Art. 51(2) PL 14 Fees Reg.	Art. 51(3) PL		
EUR 40 per patent	Declaratory effect	Yes	
	However, entry in the register has legal effect vis-à-vis third parties.		
Art. 52(4) PL 14 Fees Reg.	Art. 52(4) PL		
EUR 115	Transfer of rights and licences	Yes	Assignments are published in the official
	Entries in the register have legal effect.		bulletin. Documents not drafted in Lithuanian must be accompanied by a translation
Fees Law			
EUR 28			
Fees Law			
EUR 7 per patent	Identity of assignee and date of	Yes	Publication in the Official Journal of the
	his declaration Entry in the register has legal effect, except in the case of	A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Grand Duchy of Luxembourg Documents are also accepted in English and German.
	death. Identity of the mortgagee;		
	mortgage term		
	Licence: exclusive or non- exclusive; sub-licence		
	Art. 23 Decr.		Art. 2 Decr.
EUR 7 per patent mortgaged			

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Malta	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution) Agreement assigning the expression signed by all parties.	No	Yes
	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	Art. 60(1), (2) PA 2000	
	2. Licences and other rights	No	Yes
	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	Art. 60(1), (2) PA 2000	
Monaco	1. Transfer of rights		
	(i) by transaction (e.g. sale, merger)	No	Yes
	- 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		
	2. Licences and other rights	No	Yes
	Filing of a certified copy of the licence or lien		
	Art. 18 PL Art. 37-2 SO No. 1.476		

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Entries and data recorded in the register	Is a transfer registered by the EPO under Rule 85 EPC recognised?	Special features	
Entries in the register have legal effect.	No	Documents not drafted in Maltese or English must be accompanied by a translation.	
Art. 34(3) PA 2000			
Entries in the register have legal effect.	No	Documents not drafted in Maltese or English must be accompanied by a translation.	
Art. 34(3) PA 2000			
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.	
	Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 34(3) PA 2000 Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 34(3) PA 2000 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.	Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 34(3) PA 2000 Entries in the register have legal effect. Art. 34(3) PA 2000 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. EPO under Řule 85 EPC recognised? No Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised.	

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Montenegro	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	Yes (Register of Representatives at www.advokatskakomora.me)	Yes
	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	Yes	Yes
	as under 1.		
	Art. 121, 122 and 123 PL Art. 36 Rules		
Netherlands	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	No	No
	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		
	2. Licences and other rights	No	No
	Original or a certified copy of the licence agreement, or an accepted testamentary disposition		
	Art. 56 PA		
North Macedonia	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	Yes	No, but recommended
	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.		

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	(a) Data about requester (first name, surname and address for natural persons, company and seat for legal persons)	Yes	1	
	Art. 36(1) Rules			
	(b) Indication of nature of change			
Tariff No. 113 LAdminFees	Art. 36(1) point 5 Rules			
as under 1.	as under 1.	Yes	/	
EUR 27	Any special stipulations made in respect of the transfer	Yes	Documents are accepted in Dutch, English, French and German.	
	Transfer confers substantive rights.	A copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.		
	Transfer by assignment shall take effect vis-à-vis third parties only after its entry in the register.			
Art. 64(1) PA Art. 8(2) PR	Art. 64, 65 PA			
EUR 27	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 Art. 8(2) PR	Art. 56(2) PA			
MKD 500	Transfer of rights and licences	Yes	Documents must be accompanied by a	
	Entries in the register have legal effect.		translation in Macedonian.	

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Norway	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.
	Licences and other rights Supporting documents showing the transfer or lien must be submitted.	No	No, but use of the form available on NIPO's website is recommended for notification of licences and liens.
	§ 44 PL §2a Fees reg		
Poland	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	Yes, except for right holders having their place of residence or registered office within the territory of the European Union, an EFTA member state - a party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or the Swiss Confederation.	No
	Art. 67, 76(6) and 229(1) IPL	Art. 236(3) IPL	
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.		
	Art. 67, 76(6) and 229(1) IPL		

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	Yes Registration may provide legal protection under certain conditions. See § 44a PL for further information.	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised 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.
	§§ 44 and 44a PL § 45 PR		
Licence: No	Yes		
Lien: NOK 500 An additional NOK 100 for each patent or patent application the lien is to include in addition to the first.	Licences and liens: Registration may provide legal protection under certain conditions. See § 44a PL for further information.		
§ 42a Fees Reg.	§§ 44 and 44a PL § 45 PR		§ 105 PR
PLN 70 (for each request)	Transfers of rights, licences, other rights in rem, entries relating to disputes, seizures, data concerning invalidation or termination of a patent.	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.
	The transfer of a patent shall take effect vis-à-vis third parties only after its entry in the Patent register.		
Annex 1 item I 21 Fees Reg.	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		

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Portugal	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	No	Yes, INPI Form PatMut3
	Art. 30(1), (2), (4), 30 PA	Art. 10(1) PA	
	2. Licences and other rights	No	Yes, INPI Form PatMut3
	Licence contract		
	Art. 29, 31 PA	Art. 10(1) PA	
Romania	1. Transfer of rights	Yes	No
	(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.		
	2. Licences and other rights	Yes	No
	Request for registration of license 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.		
San Marino	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	Yes	No
	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.		
	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
Transfer fee: EUR 109.07 if filed online, EUR 136.34 if filed on paper	Transfers of rights as well as contractual licences Entry in the register has legal effect and takes effect vis-à-vis third parties.	Yes A copy certified by the EPO (EPO Form 2544) must be produced.	Assignments are published in the Industrial Property Bulletin. Documents not drafted in Portuguese must be accompanied by a translation.
Fees Res.	Art. 29(2), (4), 85(3) PA	Art. 85(3) PA	Art. 29(6), 375 PA
Licence fee: EUR 92.70 if filed online, EUR 109.07 if filed on paper			
Compulsory licence fee: EUR 10.91 if filed online, EUR 21.82 if filed on paper			
Fees Res.			
EUR 100 or RON 495, unless transfer of right took place before publica- tion of the mention of grant by the EPO	Transfer of rights and license Entry in the register has declaratory effect.	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.
Annex 1.25 Fees Ord. EUR 100 or RON 495, unless transfer of right took place before publication of the mention of grant by the EPO Annex 1.25 Fees Ord.	Art. 45 PL R. 67(11) Reg.		
744116X 1.20 1 665 61d.			
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.

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Serbia	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	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons not resident or having no seat in the Republic of Serbia must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney.	No, see section 7
	Art. 44, 45 and 48 PL Art. 4 and 5 Rules	Art. 5(1) PL	
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	Yes, as under 1.	
	Art. 46 to 48 PL Art. 6 to 9 Rules	Art. 5(1) 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)	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	No
	§ 19(2) RPA 2. Licences and other rights Written application and documents as under 1. §§ 20, 21 RPA	§ 79 (2) 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
Yes	Entry in the register of transfers of rights has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties.	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.
Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Art. 44(3) PL		Art. 48 PL
Yes	Registration of licence contractors has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties.	Yes	
	The pledgee acquires possessory lien upon entry in the register.		
Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Art. 46(5), 47(7) PL		
EUR 30 per patent	Assignment and transfer of patent, other rights in rem, licences, entries relating to disputes and other entries	Yes	Documents not submitted in the Slovak language must be accompanied by translations if so requested by the Slovak Industrial Property Office.
§ 2 + Schedule of Fees, item 216(b), point 4, Fees Law	§ 26 RPA		§§ 19(3), 20(3), 21(3) RPA
EUR 20 per patent for a licence or a legal mortgage			
§ 2 + Schedule of Fees, item 216(b), points 6-10, Fees Law			

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?	
Slovenia	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.	Yes	No, but recommended	
	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	Art. 129 IPA		
	2. Licences and other rights			
	as under 1. Art. 108 IPA			
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Spain	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	No, if proprietor resides in a country of the EU	Yes	
	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	Art. 175 NPL	Art. 77 RD 316	
	2. Licences and other rights	No, if proprietor resides in a	Yes	
	Patent applications and patents may be the subject of licences and usufruct. For registration, see under 1.	country of the EU		
	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	Art. 175 NPL	Art. 78, 79 and 80 RD 316	

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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	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.	No	Supporting documents, when needed, are accepted in Slovenian, English, French and German. In case of doubt, SIPO may ask for a translation.
	On request, transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register.		
Art. 1(6.1) Fees Decr.	Art. 107(1) IPA		Art. 108 IPA Art. 11, 12 Reg.Rules
EUR 40			
Art. 1(6.1) Fees Decr.			
EUR 13.50 for each entry (EUR 11.47 in electronic form) Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year.	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.	Yes A transfer recorded in the EPO European Patent Register is recognised by OEPM.	Documents not drafted in Spanish must be accompanied by a translation.
Art. 82 RD 316	Art. 79 NPL Art. 72 RD 316	Art. 156 NPL	
EUR 13.50 for each entry (EUR 11.47 in electronic form) Registering a change of	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
the applicant's/patentee's name: EUR 16.71 for each entry (EUR 14.20 in electronic form)			
Note: the fees may be revised at the beginning of each year.			
Art. 82 RD 316			

Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Sweden	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	No	No
	§ 44 PD 2. Licences and other rights	No	No
	Certified copy or extract of the licence agreement.		
	§ 44 PA § 44 PD	N.	N.
	Adjoining rights, pledging Certified copy or extract of the pledge agreement.	No	No
	§ 94 PA § 44 PD		
Switzerland / Liechtenstein	Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operation of law (e.g. succession, insolvency, compulsory execution)	No	No
	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		
	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.	Yes A certified copy of the EPO certificate (EPO Form 2544) is required.	Documents are generally accepted in English, French or German.
SEK 500	§ 44 PA § 44 PD		
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.

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Contracting state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Türkiye	1. Transfer of rights		
	(i) by transaction (e.g. sale, merger, transfer of title)	Yes	No
	- 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		
	(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		
	R. 125, 126, 127, 128 129 IPLR		
	2. Licences and other rights	Yes	No
	- 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		
	Art. 125 IPL		
	R. 116 IPLR		

^{*} All fees are revised annually on 1 January.

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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 1 500* assignment: TRY 1 640* (ii) succession: TRY 1 640*	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 2023	Art. 92 DL No. 551 Art. 106 IPL Art. 111 IPLR			
TRY 790*				
Fees 2023				

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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 United Kingdom, Gibraltar 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

IX. Registering a transfer, licences and other rights in respect of a European patent in the national patent register 355				
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 registra- tion 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				

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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	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	Yes	Yes		
	has been paid Art. 70 PL Art. 33 Pat. Reg. 2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	Art. 5 PL	Art. 33 Pat. Reg.		

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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 30	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.	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. 70 PL Art. 33 Pat. Reg.		Art. 33 Pat. Reg.	
Spec. Fees: BAM 100 Admin. Fees: BAM 60				

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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.)	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	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	
		Art. 193(2)1 L		
	2. Licences and other rights			
	as under 1.			
Croatia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	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	Yes	Yes	
	Art. 107-111 PA Art. 32 PO 2. Licences and other rights	Art. 17 PA	Art. 32(3) PO	
	as under 1.			

4 Special fee payable?	5 Entries and data recorded in the register	6 Is a transfer registered by the	7
	the register	EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	Special features
E	Fransfer 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.
entry or expense of the second	Any change concerning a patent or owner of a right may be entered in the register, such as transer of rights, licence, change of name or address, etc. On request, transfer of rights or icence may, but need not, be entered in the register.	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. 48.(1) RFees (note: Euro became the official currency in the Republic of Croatia on 1 January 2023 to substitute the Croatian kuna as the legal means of payment so far.	Art. 109 PA		Art. 109.7 PA Art. 32 PO
Regulation on Fees for Proceedings in the Field of Intellectual Property and Professional Services of the State Intellectual Property Office will be amended accordingly.			
Subject to related national obligations, transitional dual indication in both Croatian kunas and euros is applicable until December 31, 2023.			
In accordance with the Council Regulation (EU) 2022/1208 of 12 July 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 2866/98 as regards the conversion rate to the euro for Croatia, fixed conversion rate is established at HRK 7.53450 for EUR 1.)			

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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.)	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	Yes Applicants with neither residence nor principal place of business in Latvia must appoint a registered professional representative. Power of attorney is not required.	No, the use of the form is optional.
	Art. 51(2) PL R. 59-66 PR	Art. 116(3), 117(2) IPL	
	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, as under 1.	
Lithuania (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)	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	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. 42 PL	Art. 14 PL	
	2. Licences and other rights Licence agreement Art. 45 PL	Yes, as under 1. Art. 14 PL	
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	Yes

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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	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 40 per patent			
EUR 115	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.
Fees Law			
EUR 28			
Fees Law			
Yes	(a) Data about requester (first name, surname and address for natural persons, company and seat for legal persons) Art. 36(1) Rules (b) Indication of nature of change	Yes	-
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as under 1.	as under 1.	Yes	

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Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
North 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
Romania	1. Transfer of rights	Yes	No
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 March 2003.)	(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		
	2. Licences and other rights Request for registration of license 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

4	5	other rights in respect of a European p	patent in the national patent register 363
Special fee payable?	Entries and data recorded in the register	Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	Special features
MKD 500	Transfer of rights and licences	No	Documents must be accompanied by a translation in Macedonian.
	Entries in the register have legal effect.		Assignments are published in the official gazette.
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EUR 100 or RON 495, unless transfer of right took place before publica- tion of the mention of grant by the EPO	Transfer of rights and licenses Entry in the register has declaratory effect.	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.
Annex 1.25 Fees Ord.	Art. 45 PL R. 67(11) Reg.		
EUR 100 or RON 495, unless transfer of right took place before publica- tion of the mention of grant by the EPO.			
Annex 1.25 Fees Ord.			

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Former extension state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
Serbia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 October 2010.)	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	Yes, foreign natural and legal persons not resident or having no seat in the Republic of Serbia must be represented by a representative listed in the competent authority's "Register of Representatives" or by a domestic attorney.	No, see section 7
	Art. 44, 45 and 48 PL Art. 4 and 5 Rules	Art. 5(1) PL	
	2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	Yes, as under 1.	
	Art. 46 to 48 PL Art. 6 to 9 Rules	Art. 5(1) PL	
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	Is a transfer registered by the EPO during the opposition period or opposition proceedings recognised?	7 Special features
Yes	Entry in the register of transfers of rights has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties.	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.
Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Art. 44(3) PL		Art. 48 PL
Yes	Registration of licence contractors has declaratory effect vis-à-vis third parties.	Yes	
	The pledgee acquires possessory lien upon entry in the register.		
Tar. No. 125(1) Fees Law	Art. 46(5), 47(7) PL		
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.	No	Supporting documents, when needed, are accepted in Slovenian, English, French and German. In case of doubt, SIPO may ask for a translation.
	On request, transfer of rights or licence may, but need not, be entered in the register.		
Art. 1(6.1) Fees Decr.	Art. 107(1) IPA		Art. 108 IPA Art. 11, 12 Reg.Rules

Validation state Which supporting documents must be filed? Which supporting documents must be filed? I. Transfer of rights by transaction (e.g. sale, merger) or by operating of law (e.g. sale-sales), inadverse, computatory concution. Depending on the case in point, the registration or peach or indifferent to exercise the rights attached of a l. e.g. assignment, inclined, and inting of sezure. 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 peach or in entitlement to exercise the rights attaching to it of a certified copy of said doed 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 intered 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. 32 Decr. 2. Licences and other rights as under 1:	300 IX. Regis	tering a transfer, licences and other rights in respect of a European	patent in the national patent regi	3101
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	Validation state		Must a national professional representative be	
	Morocco	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.	Applicants who do not have a residence or place of business in Morocco must appoint a professional representative	

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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	

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Validation state	1 Which supporting documents must be filed?	2 Must a national professional representative be appointed?	3 Must a form be used?
	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, in case the transfer of the rights is carried out on the basis of the execution of some normative provisions; (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. (7) proof of payment of the contract registration fee. Point 9 Gov. Dec. No. 612/2011 2. Licences and other rights as under 1.	2 Must a national professional representative be	3

		ther rights in respect of a European p	
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	Yes	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.	Transfer documents for validated patents or applications must be submitted in Romanian
Gov. Dec. No. 774/1997	Art. 26 Law No. 50/2008	Art. 26 Law No. 50/2008	

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)

(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).

Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
Albania	No	Territory of the Republic of Albania
	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	
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	Territory of the Kingdom of Belgium
	(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	
Bulgaria	No	Territory of the Republic of Bulgaria
	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	
Croatia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Republic of Croatia
	(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. 127 PA	
Cyprus	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Republic of Cyprus
	(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	

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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	Territory of the Czech Republic
	(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.	
	Art. 35e PA	
Denmark	Simultaneous protection is not excluded.	Territory of the Kingdom of Denmark with the exception of Greenland and the Faroe Islands
	Applies equally to utility models (a separate request is to be made).	Greeniand 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	Territory of the Republic of Estonia
	(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	
Finland	Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Finland
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.	Territory of the French Republic including the overseas territories (in particular, French Polynesia and New Caledonia)
	Art. L. 614-13 PL	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	Territory of the Federal Republic of Germany
	(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	

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	Territory of the Hellenic Republic
	(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	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	Territory of Ireland
	(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	
Italy	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent/utility model ceases to have effect	Territory of the Italian Republic
	Art. 59 PL	
Latvia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Republic of Latvia
	(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	
Liechtenstein	see Switzerland	
Lithuania	No	Territory of the Republic of Lithuania
	Art. 83 PL	
Luxembourg	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
	(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	

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1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
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	Territory of the Republic of Malta
Art. 11 L.N. 99/2007	
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	Territory of the Principality of Monaco
(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	
If a European patent designating Montenegro and a national patent are granted to the same person or their legal successor with the same filing date or, if the right of priority is requested, the same priority date, the national patent ceases to have effect to the extent that it covers the same invention as the European patent designating Montenegro from the day when the deadline for filing notice of opposition to the European patent expired without any opposition having been filed, or from the day when a final decision was made in opposition proceedings to maintain the European patent.	The provisions of the Patent Law relating to European patent applications apply to applications submitted on or after the entry into force of the European Patent Convention and European patents granted on the basis of them.
Art. 150h PL	Art. 150p PL
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	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)
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	Art. 49(1), 53(4), 55, 57(2), 73(1), 74 PA
No	Territory of the Republic of North Macedonia
Art. 126 PL	
Simultaneous protection by national patents is not excluded.	Territory of the Kingdom of Norway
Simultaneous protection by national patents/utility models is not excluded.	Territory of the Republic of Poland
Yes	Territory of Portugal
	Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC 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 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 If a European patent designating Montenegro and a national patent are granted to the same person or their legal successor with the same filing date or, if the right of priority is requested, the same priority date, the national patent ceases to have effect to the extent that it covers the same invention as the European patent designating Montenegro from the day when the deadline for filing notice of opposition to the European patent expired without any opposition having been filled, or from the day when a final decision was made in opposition proceedings to maintain the European patent. Art. 150h PL 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 No Art. 126 PL

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Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
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	Territory of Romania
	(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	
San Marino	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which:	Territory of the Republic of San Marino
	(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	
Serbia	No	Territory of the Republic of Serbia
	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	
Slovakia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Slovak Republic
	(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	
Slovenia	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Republic of Slovenia
	(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	
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Contracting state	1 Simultaneous protection allowed? Art. 139(3) and 140 EPC	2 Territorial field of application pursuant to Art. 168 EPC
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	Territory of the Kingdom of Spain
	(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	
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.	Territory of the Swiss Confederation and of the Principality of Liechtenstein
	Art. 125 PA	Treaty CH/LI of 22.12.78
Türkiye	No; to the extent that it protects the same invention, the national patent ceases to have effect from the date on which	Territory of the Republic of Türkiye
	(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	
United Kingdom	To the extent that it protects the same invention, the comptroller may revoke the national patent after the date on which	Territory of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and of the Isle of Man*
	(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	Sect. 131, 132 PA
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^{*} 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.

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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	Territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina
	(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	

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Former extension state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
Albania (The extension	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	Territory of the Republic of Albania
system continues to apply to	(a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or	
European and international patent applications filed before 1 May 2010.)	(b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained.	
	Art. 85 PL	
Croatia (The extension system	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	Territory of the Republic of Croatia
continues to apply to Euro- pean and interna-	(a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or	
tional patent applications filed before 1 January 2008.)	(b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained.	
	Art. 127 PA	
Latvia (The extension	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	Territory of the Republic of Latvia
system continues to apply to	(a) the period for filing the notice of opposition to the European patent expires without such notice being filed, or	
European and international patent applications filed before 1 July 2005.)	(b) the opposition proceedings are finally closed, the European patent having been maintained.	
	Art. 75 PL	
Lithuania	No	Territory of the Republic of Lithuania
(The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 December 2004.)		
	Art. 74 PL	
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	Territory of Montenegro
	(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	

Former extension state	1 Simultaneous protection (by national patents and extended or validated European patents) allowed?	2 Territorial field of application
North Macedonia (The extension system continues to apply to European and international patent applications filed before 1 January 2009.)	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 Republic of North Macedonia
(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.	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.	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

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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	