

Inside this Issue

<u>Montenegro becomes 39th Contracting State</u>	2
<u>UAE: Documents Legalization is No Longer Required for Patent and Design Registration</u>	2
<u>Schedule of PCT Fees at the JPO</u>	3
<u>RECENT DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE TURKISH PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</u>	3
<u>EAPO granted the 100th Eurasian industrial design patent</u>	4
<u>Meeting on Intellectual Property held with Intellectual Property Offices in Latin America</u>	4
<u>International Cooperation in association with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)</u>	5
<u>JPO Holds Bilateral Meetings with the Intellectual Property Offices of Peru, Brazil and Mexico</u>	5
<u>EPO and the Superintendence of Industry and Commerce of Colombia (SIC) make their PPH fast-track programme permanent</u>	6
<u>Hague System: Changes In Individual Designation Fees – Japan</u>	6
<u>PPH pilot program between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the National Institute of Industrial property of Brazil (INPI)</u>	7
<u>The Harare and Banjul Protocols now effective in Cape Verde</u>	7
<u>National Collection of Malta now Available in Patentscope</u>	8

01. Montenegro becomes 39th Contracting State

**TO JOIN THE
EUROPEAN PATENT
ORGANIZATION (EPO)**

[GO TO TOP](#)

Montenegro today became the 39th state to join the European Patent Organisation. This follows the country's deposition of its instrument of accession to the European Patent Convention (EPC) on 15 July 2022. As of 1 October 2022, European patent applications will include the designation of the new contracting state Montenegro. The European Patent Office (EPO) will also take over the functions of a PCT receiving office and act as a PCT International Search and Examination Authority on behalf of Montenegro. According to Josef Kratochvíl, Chairperson of the Administrative Council of the European Patent Organisation, "the accession of Montenegro highlights the attractiveness of the European patent system for European economies... [Read more](#)

02. UAE: Documents Legalization is No Longer Required for Patent and Design Registration

**ONLY THE
NOTARIZATION WILL
BE SUFFICIENT**

[GO TO TOP](#)

DUBAI – The Ministry of Economy of the United Arab Emirates held a workshop on September 13, 2022 briefing on the regulations of the new Patents and Industrial Designs Law, which forms part of the largest legislative amendments in the UAE's history.

The Ministry confirmed that all the required documents related to patent and industrial design applications such as Power of Attorney, Deed of Assignment and Certificate of Incorporation are no longer required to be legalized by the Consulate of the UAE, while the notarization of the same will be sufficient.

For more information, please contact AGIP UAE office at uae@agip.com... [Read more](#)

03. Schedule of PCT Fees at the JPO

**EFFECTIVE FROM
NOVEMBER 1, 2022**

[GO TO TOP](#)

This article is only for applicants who filed international applications under the PCT, with a receiving Office other than the JPO (RO/JP) .

[Important Notice] Increase in PCT Fees from November 1, 2022 -This is to notify you the revised total amount that you are to pay, which is provided below.

	Until October 31, 2022	From November 1, 2022
1. Additional fee (ISA/JP) for an application in English	JPY 168,000	JPY 168,000 (No change)
2. Preliminary examination fee(*1) (IPEA/JP) for an application in English	JPY 69,000	JPY 69,000 (No change)

[Read more](#)

04. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS WITHIN THE TURKISH PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PUBLICATION,
WEBSITE UPDATION, &
AGENDA ON WELL-
KNOWN TM**

[GO TO TOP](#)

Article by: Uğur Aktekin, Partner and İrem Girenes, Senior Associate of Gün + Partners

- Service by publication has come into effect
- Turkish Patent and Trademark Office put discussions over well-known trade mark registry on its agenda
- Turkish Patent and Trademark Office's official website was updated

Service by publication has come into effect - Notification procedure was a significant issue at the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Office) since it not only causes delays in the application processes but also affects the IP right holders using their rights. Most importantly, when the applicants'... [Read more](#)

05. EAPO granted the 100th Eurasian industrial design Patent

**KARL STORZ
COMPANY HAS
PATENTED THE
DESIGN OF A MEDICAL
MONITOR**

[GO TO TOP](#)

It was granted to the medical company Karl Storz (Germany). This is the third Eurasian patent owned by the German company – an international manufacturer and seller of endoscopes, instruments and devices. Over the year, the demand for Eurasian design patents has doubled.

The Eurasian Patent No. 100 was published in the database of the Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO), the administrative body of the Eurasian Patent Organization, uniting eight countries of Eurasian region. The granted patent will be valid on the territory of seven EAPO member states, except Turkmenistan. Karl Storz company has patented the design of a medical monitor, an application for a patent was filed by the applicant on May 30, 2022... [Read more](#)

06. Meeting on Intellectual Property held with Intellectual Property Offices in Latin America

**EXCHANGED VIEWS
ON FUTURE
COOPERATION IN THE
FIELD OF IP**

[GO TO TOP](#)

*On October 5, 2022, a WIPO Regional Meeting of the Directors of Industrial Property Offices in Latin American Countries was held in Lima, Peru. The meeting was co-hosted by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property (INDECOPI) of Peru, and was attended by Mr. KATSURA Masanori, Deputy Commissioner of the Japan Patent Office (JPO). This meeting was held under the support of the WIPO Funds-in-Trust Japan Industrial Property Global, which was set up by voluntary contributions that Japan has made to the WIPO. Representatives of intellectual property offices from 16 Latin American countries * participated in the mee... [Read more](#)*

7. International Cooperation in association with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)

**FOR THE DEVELOPMENT
OF IP SYSTEMS IN
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES
THROUGH A VARIETY OF
INITIATIVES**

[GO TO TOP](#)

The Japan Patent Office (JPO), in association with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), actively supports human resource development and provides technical cooperation in developing countries, for the purpose of supporting the advancement of Japanese companies through strengthening the protection of IP rights in developing countries. Our cooperation in developing countries through collaboration with each organization is outlined below. Cooperation with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO): Funds-in-Trust Japan Industrial Property Global (FIT Japan IP Global... [Read more](#)

8. JPO Holds Bilateral Meetings with the Intellectual Property Offices of Peru, Brazil and Mexico

**JAPAN - CONTINUE TO
COOPERATE WITH
EACH COUNTRY IN
THE FIELD OF IP**

[GO TO TOP](#)

*Mr. KATSURA Masanori, JPO Deputy Commissioner, participated in the WIPO Regional Meeting of Directors of Industrial Property Offices in Latin American Countries * that was co-hosted by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Protection of Intellectual Property (INDECOPI) of Peru. While there, he held talks with the INDECOPI, the Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI), and the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI), wherein he confirmed that Japan would continue to cooperate with each country in the field of intellectual property. * International meeting that was attended by repres... [Read more](#)*

9. EPO and the Superintendence of Industry and Commerce of Colombia (SIC) make their PPH fast-track programme permanent

PPH PROGRAMME BETWEEN THE EPO & THE SIC BECOMES PERMANENT

[GO TO TOP](#)

On 1 October 2022, the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) programme between the EPO and the Superintendence of Industry and Commerce of Colombia (SIC) becomes permanent. The current conditions and requirements for participation will continue to apply. The offices have agreed to permanently extend the agreement, following the successful completion of a pilot programme, which was initially launched in February 2016 and extended in October 2019.

The EPO's PPH portfolio - In addition to this programme, the EPO has operational PPH programmes with the IP5 offices. The IP5 consists of the world's five largest IP offices.... [Read more](#)

10. Hague System: Changes In Individual Designation Fees – Japan

INDIVIDUAL FEES UNDER THE HAGUE AGREEMENT

[GO TO TOP](#)

Significant reductions are coming up in the individual designation fees applicable when designating Japan in an international application or in the renewal of an international registration.

New fees will be as follows:

- 507 (currently 603) Swiss francs per design included in an international application; and
- 574 (currently 683) Swiss francs per design included when renewing an international registration for the first, second, third or fourth time.

These new fees will come into effect on December.... [Read more](#)

11. PPH pilot program between the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the National Institute of Industrial property of Brazil (INPI)

**INPI STOPPED
ACCEPTING PPH
REQUESTS FOR 2022**

[GO TO TOP](#)

The Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the National Institute of Industrial Property of Brazil (INPI) have been implementing the Patent Prosecution Highway pilot program since April 2017. On 9 November 2021, the two Offices agreed to renew the program to extend the pilot period until 30 November 2026. The period may be further extended as necessary. Main content starts here. PCT-PPH will start under Japan-Brazil Patent Prosecution Highway pilot program - On 1 January 2022, the JPO and the INPI will start PCT-PPH in this pilot program. This will allow applicants to file a PPH request with the INPI based on international work products (Written Opinion (WO) and International.... [Read more](#)

12. The Harare and Banjul Protocols now effective in Cape Verde

**EFFECTIVE FROM 14
OCTOBER 2022**

[GO TO TOP](#)

Effective today, 14 October 2022, the Harare Protocol and the Banjul Protocol are now effective in The Republic of Cape Verde, making it the 20th contracting State of the Harare Protocol and the 13th contracting State of the Banjul Protocol. Pursuant to the Harare and Banjul Protocols, starting today, users of the ARIPO system can designate Cape Verde in their applications. Furthermore, Cape Verde nationals and residents are entitled, starting today, to file patent, industrial designs, utility models and mark applications directly with the ARIPO Office if they so wish. The Republic of Cape Verde on 14 July 2022 deposited its instruments of Accession to ARIPO and its Protocols... [Read more](#)

13. National Collection of Malta now Available in Patentscope

**PATENT COLLECTION
OF MALTA AVAILABLE
IN WIPO'S GLOBAL
PATENT SEARCH**

The national patent collection of Malta is now available in WIPO's global patent search system PATENTSCOPE. It includes over 3,350 patent documents.

The addition of the national collection of Malta brings to 76 the number of national/regional collections available in PATENTSCOPE. [Read more](#)

[GO TO TOP](#)