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1. Convention Establishing the World Intellectual Property Organization

WIPO Convention (1967), amended in 1979

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State	Date on which State became member of WIPO	Member also of Paris Union (P) and/or Berne Union (B)[1]	
Albania	June 30, 1992	P	B
Algeria	April 16, 1975	P	–
Andorra	October 28, 1994	–	–
Angola	April 15, 1985	–	–
Argentina	October 8, 1980	P	B
Armenia	April 22, 1993	P	–
Australia	August 10, 1972	P	B
Austria	August 11, 1973	P	B
Azerbaijan	December 25, 1995	P	–
Bahamas	January 4, 1977	P	B
Bahrain	June 22, 1995	–	–
Bangladesh	May 11, 1985	P	–
Barbados	October 5, 1979	P	B
Belarus	April 26, 1970	P	–
Belgium	January 31, 1975	P	B
Benin	March 9, 1975	P	B
Bhutan	March 16, 1994	–	–
Bolivia	July 6, 1993	P	B
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	P	B
Brazil	March 20, 1975	P	B
Brunei Darussalam	April 21, 1994	–	–
Bulgaria	May 19, 1970	P	B
Burkina Faso	August 23, 1975	P	B
Burundi	March 30, 1977	P	–
Cambodia	July 25, 1995	–	–
Cameroon	November 3, 1973	P	B
Canada	June 26, 1970	P	B
Central African Republic	August 23, 1978	P	B
Chad	September 26, 1970	P	B
Chile	June 25, 1975	P	B
China	June 3, 1980	P	B
Colombia	May 4, 1980	–	B
Congo	December 2, 1975	P	B
Costa Rica	June 10, 1981	P	B
Côte d'Ivoire	May 1, 1974	P	B
Croatia	October 8, 1991	P	B
Cuba	March 27, 1975	P	–
Cyprus	October 26, 1984	P	B
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	P	B
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	August 17, 1974	P	–
Denmark	April 26, 1970	P	B
Ecuador	May 22, 1988	–	B
Egypt	April 21, 1975	P	B
El Salvador	September 18, 1979	P	B
Estonia	February 5, 1994	P	B
Fiji	March 11, 1972	–	B
Finland	September 8, 1970	P	B
France	October 18, 1974	P	B
Gabon	June 6, 1975	P	B
Gambia	December 10, 1980	P	B
Georgia	December 25, 1991	P	B
Germany	September 19, 1970	P	B
Ghana	June 12, 1976	P	B
Greece	March 4, 1976	P	B
Guatemala	April 30, 1983	–	–

State	Date on which State became member of WIPO	Member also of Paris Union (P) and/or Berne Union (B)[1]	
Saudi Arabia	May 22, 1982	–	–
Senegal	April 26, 1970	P	B
Sierra Leone	May 18, 1986	–	–
Singapore	December 10, 1990	P	–
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	P	B
Slovenia	June 25, 1991	P	B
Somalia	November 18, 1982	–	–
South Africa	March 23, 1975	P	B
Spain	April 26, 1970	P	B
Sri Lanka	September 20, 1978	P	B
Sudan	February 15, 1974	P	–
Suriname	November 25, 1975	P	B
Swaziland	August 18, 1988	P	–
Sweden	April 26, 1970	P	B
Switzerland	April 26, 1970	P	B
Tajikistan	December 25, 1991	P	–
Thailand	December 25, 1989	–	B
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991	P	B
Togo	April 28, 1975	P	B
Trinidad and Tobago	August 16, 1988	P	B
Tunisia	November 28, 1975	P	B
Turkey	May 12, 1976	P	B
Turkmenistan	December 25, 1991	P	–
Uganda	October 18, 1973	P	–
Ukraine	April 26, 1970	P	B
United Arab Emirates	September 24, 1974	–	–
United Kingdom	April 26, 1970	P	B
United Republic of Tanzania	December 30, 1983	P	B
United States of America	August 25, 1970	P	B
Uruguay	December 21, 1979	P	B
Uzbekistan	December 25, 1991	P	–
Venezuela	November 23, 1984	P	B
Viet Nam	July 2, 1976	P	–
Yemen	March 29, 1979	–	–
Yugoslavia	October 11, 1973	P	B
Zaire	January 28, 1975	P	B
Zambia	May 14, 1977	P	B
Zimbabwe	December 29, 1981	P	B

(Total: 157 States)

[1] "P" means that the State is also a member of the International Union for the Protection of Industrial Property (Paris Union), founded by the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property.

"B" means that the State is also a member of the International Union for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (Berne Union), founded by the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

[2] Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Indonesia	December 24, 1950	London:	December 24, 1950
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: December 20, 1979[2]
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	December 16, 1959	Lisbon:	January 4, 1962
Iraq	January 24, 1976	Stockholm:	January 24, 1976[2]
Ireland	December 4, 1925	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
Israel	March 24, 1950	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
Italy	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	April 24, 1977
Japan	July 15, 1899	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: October 1, 1975
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 24, 1975
Jordan	July 17, 1972	Stockholm:	July 17, 1972
Kazakstan	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Kenya	June 14, 1965	Stockholm:	October 26, 1971
Kyrgyzstan	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Latvia	September 7, 1993[7]	Stockholm:	September 7, 1993
Lebanon	September 1, 1924	London:	September 30, 1947
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: December 30, 1986[2]
Lesotho	September 28, 1989	Stockholm:	September 28, 1989[2]
Liberia	August 27, 1994	Stockholm:	August 27, 1994
Libya	September 28, 1976	Stockholm:	September 28, 1976[2]
Liechtenstein	July 14, 1933	Stockholm:	May 25, 1972
Lithuania	May 22, 1994	Stockholm:	May 22, 1994
Luxembourg	June 30, 1922	Stockholm:	March 24, 1975
Madagascar	December 21, 1963	Stockholm:	April 10, 1972
Malawi	July 6, 1964	Stockholm:	June 25, 1970
Malaysia	January 1, 1989	Stockholm:	January 1, 1989
Mali	March 1, 1983	Stockholm:	March 1, 1983
Malta	October 20, 1967	Lisbon:	October 20, 1967
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: December 12, 1977[2]
Mauritania	April 11, 1965	Stockholm:	September 21, 1976
Mauritius	September 24, 1976	Stockholm:	September 24, 1976
Mexico	September 7, 1903	Stockholm:	July 26, 1976
Monaco	April 29, 1956	Stockholm:	October 4, 1975
Mongolia	April 21, 1985	Stockholm:	April 21, 1985[2]
Morocco	July 30, 1917	Stockholm:	August 6, 1971
Netherlands[8]	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	January 10, 1975
New Zealand[9]	July 29, 1931	London:	July 14, 1946
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: June 20, 1984
Niger	July 5, 1964	Stockholm:	March 6, 1975
Nigeria	September 2, 1963	Lisbon:	September 2, 1963
Norway	July 1, 1885	Stockholm:	June 13, 1974
Paraguay	May 28, 1994	Stockholm:	May 28, 1994
Peru	April 11, 1995	Stockholm:	April 11, 1995
Philippines	September 27, 1965	Lisbon:	September 27, 1965
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: July 16, 1980
Poland	November 10, 1919	Stockholm:	March 24, 1975
Portugal	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	April 30, 1975
Republic of Korea	May 4, 1980	Stockholm:	May 4, 1980
Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Romania	October 6, 1920	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970[2]
Russian Federation	July 1, 1965[10]	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3,10]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970[2,10]
Rwanda	March 1, 1984	Stockholm:	March 1, 1984
Saint Kitts and Nevis	April 9, 1995	Stockholm:	April 9, 1995
Saint Lucia	June 9, 1995	Stockholm:	June 9, 1995[2]
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	August 29, 1995	Stockholm:	August 29, 1995
San Marino	March 4, 1960	Stockholm:	June 26, 1991
Senegal	December 21, 1963	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
Singapore	February 23, 1995	Stockholm:	February 23, 1995
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	Stockholm:	January 1, 1993
Slovenia	June 25, 1991	Stockholm:	June 25, 1991
South Africa	December 1, 1947	Stockholm:	March 24, 1975[2]
Spain	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	April 14, 1972
Sri Lanka	December 29, 1952	London:	December 29, 1952
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: September 23, 1978
Sudan	April 16, 1984	Stockholm:	April 16, 1984
Suriname	November 25, 1975	Stockholm:	November 25, 1975
Swaziland	May 12, 1991	Stockholm:	May 12, 1991
Sweden	July 1, 1885	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: October 9, 1970
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970

3. Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works

Berne Convention (1886), completed at Paris (1896), revised at Berlin (1908), completed at Berne (1914), revised at Rome (1928), at Brussels (1948), at Stockholm (1967) and at Paris (1971), and amended in 1979

(Berne Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Albania	March 6, 1994	Paris:	March 6, 1994
Argentina	June 10, 1967	Brussels:	June 10, 1967
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: October 8, 1980
Australia	April 14, 1928	Paris:	March 1, 1978
Austria	October 1, 1920	Paris:	August 21, 1982
Bahamas	July 10, 1973	Brussels:	July 10, 1973
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: January 8, 1977[2]
Barbados	July 30, 1983	Paris:	July 30, 1983
Belgium	December 5, 1887	Brussels:	August 1, 1951
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: February 12, 1975
Benin	January 3, 1961[3]	Paris:	March 12, 1975
Bolivia	November 4, 1993	Paris:	November 4, 1993
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	Paris:	March 6, 1992[4]
Brazil	February 9, 1922	Paris:	April 20, 1975
Bulgaria	December 5, 1921	Paris:	December 4, 1974
Burkina Faso	August 19, 1963[5]	Paris:	January 24, 1976
Cameroon	September 21, 1964[3]	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: November 10, 1973
Canada	April 10, 1928	Rome:	August 1, 1931
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: July 7, 1970
Central African Republic	September 3, 1977	Paris:	September 3, 1977
Chad	November 25, 1971	Brussels:	November 25, 1971[6,7]
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: November 25, 1971
Chile	June 5, 1970	Paris:	July 10, 1975
China	October 15, 1992	Paris:	October 15, 1992
Colombia	March 7, 1988	Paris:	March 7, 1988
Congo	May 8, 1962[3]	Paris:	December 5, 1975
Costa Rica	June 10, 1978	Paris:	June 10, 1978
Côte d'Ivoire	January 1, 1962	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: May 4, 1974
Croatia	October 8, 1991	Paris:	October 8, 1991[4]
Cyprus	February 24, 1964[3]	Paris:	July 27, 1983[4]
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Paris:	January 1, 1993
Denmark	July 1, 1903	Paris:	June 30, 1979
Ecuador	October 9, 1991	Paris:	October 9, 1991
Egypt	June 7, 1977	Paris:	June 7, 1977[2]
El Salvador	February 19, 1994	Paris:	February 19, 1994
Estonia	October 26, 1994[8]	Paris:	October 26, 1994
Fiji	December 1, 1971[3]	Brussels:	December 1, 1971
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: March 15, 1972
Finland	April 1, 1928	Paris:	November 1, 1986
France	December 5, 1887	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 15, 1972
Gabon	March 26, 1962	Paris:	June 10, 1975
Gambia	March 7, 1993	Paris:	March 7, 1993
Georgia	May 16, 1995	Paris:	May 16, 1995
Germany	December 5, 1887	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974[9]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: January 22, 1974
Ghana	October 11, 1991	Paris:	October 11, 1991
Greece	November 9, 1920	Paris:	March 8, 1976
Guinea	November 20, 1980	Paris:	November 20, 1980
Guinea-Bissau	July 22, 1991	Paris:	July 22, 1991
Guyana	October 25, 1994	Paris:	October 25, 1994
Haiti	January 11, 1996	Paris:	January 11, 1996
Holy See	September 12, 1935	Paris:	April 24, 1975
Honduras	January 25, 1990	Paris:	January 25, 1990
Hungary	February 14, 1922	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 15, 1972
Iceland	September 7, 1947	Rome:	September 7, 1947[4]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 28, 1984
India	April 1, 1928	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: May 6, 1984[10,11]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: January 10, 1975[2]
Ireland	October 5, 1927	Brussels:	July 5, 1959
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: December 21, 1970

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Uruguay	July 10, 1967	Paris:	December 28, 1979
Venezuela	December 30, 1982	Paris:	December 30, 1982[2]
Yugoslavia	June 17, 1930	Paris:	September 2, 1975[4]
Zaire	October 8, 1963[3]	Paris:	January 31, 1975
Zambia	January 2, 1992	Paris:	January 2, 1992
Zimbabwe	April 18, 1980	Rome:	April 18, 1980
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 30, 1981

(Total: 117 States)

[1] "Stockholm" means the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property as revised at Stockholm on July 14, 1967 (Stockholm Act); "Lisbon" means the Paris Convention as revised at Lisbon on October 31, 1958 (Lisbon Act); "London" means the Paris Convention as revised at London on June 2, 1934 (London Act); "The Hague" means the Paris Convention as revised at The Hague on November 6, 1925 (Hague Act).

[2] With the declaration provided for in Article 33(2) relating to the International Court of Justice.

[3] Date on which the declaration of continued adherence was sent, after the accession of the State to independence.

[4] Subject to the reservation concerning the right of translation.

[5] Burkina Faso, which had acceded to the Berne Convention (Brussels Act) as from August 19, 1963, denounced the said Convention as from September 20, 1970. Later on, Burkina Faso acceded again to the Berne Convention (Paris Act); this accession took effect on January 24, 1976.

[6] This State deposited its instrument of ratification of (or of accession to) the Stockholm Act in its entirety; however, Articles 1 to 21 (substantive clauses) of the said Act have not entered into force.

[7] In accordance with the provision of Article 29 of the Stockholm Act applicable to the States outside the Union which accede to the said Act, this State is bound by Articles 1 to 20 of the Brussels Act.

[8] Estonia acceded to the Berne Convention (Berlin Act, 1908) with effect from June 9, 1927. It lost its independence on August 6, 1940, and regained it on August 20, 1991.

[9] This State has declared that it admits the application of the Appendix of the Paris Act to works of which it is the State of origin by States which have made a declaration under Article VI(1)(i) of the Appendix or a notification under Article I of the Appendix. The declarations took effect on October 18, 1973, for Germany, on March 8, 1974, for Norway and on September 27, 1971, for the United Kingdom.

[10] This State declared that its ratification shall not apply to the provisions of Article 14*bis*(2)(b) of the Paris Act (presumption of legitimation for some authors who have brought contributions to the making of the cinematographic work).

[11] This State notified the designation of the competent authority provided by Article 15(4) of the Paris Act.

[12] These are the alternative dates of entry into force which the Director General of WIPO communicated to the States concerned.

[13] Latvia acceded to the Berne Convention (Rome Act, 1928) with effect from May 15, 1937. It lost its independence on July 21, 1940, and regained it on August 21, 1991.

[14] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe.

[15] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe. Articles 22 to 38 of the Paris Act apply also to the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

[16] Pursuant to the provisions of Article 14*bis*(2)(c) of the Paris Act, this State has made a declaration to the effect that the undertaking by authors to bring contributions to the making of a cinematographic work must be in a written agreement. This declaration was received on November 5, 1986.

[17] Pursuant to Article I of the Appendix of the Paris Act, this State availed itself of the faculty provided for in Article II of the said Appendix. The relevant declaration is effective until October 10, 2004.

[18] The United Kingdom extended the application of the Paris Act to the Isle of Man with effect from March 18, 1996.

5. Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks

Madrid Agreement (Marks) (1891), revised at Brussels (1900), Washington (1911), The Hague (1925), London (1934), Nice (1957) and Stockholm (1967), and amended in 1979

and

Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks (1989)

Madrid Protocol (1989)

(Madrid Union)[1]

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State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Date on which State became party to the Stockholm Act (1967)[2]	Date on which State became party to the Madrid Protocol (1989)
Albania	October 4, 1995	October 4, 1995	–
Algeria	July 5, 1972	July 5, 1972	–
Armenia	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Austria	January 1, 1909	August 18, 1973	–
Azerbaijan	December 25, 1995	December 25, 1995	–
Belarus	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Belgium	July 15, 1892	February 12, 1975[3]	–
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	March 6, 1992	–
Bulgaria	August 1, 1985	August 1, 1985	–
China	October 4, 1989	October 4, 1989[4]	December 1, 1995[5,6]
Croatia	October 8, 1991	October 8, 1991	–
Cuba	December 6, 1989	December 6, 1989	December 26, 1995
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	January 1, 1993	–
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	June 10, 1980	June 10, 1980	–
Denmark	–	–	February 13, 1996[5,7,8]
Egypt	July 1, 1952	March 6, 1975	–
Finland	–	–	April 1, 1996[5,8]
France	July 15, 1892	August 12, 1975[9]	–
Germany	December 1, 1922	September 19, or December 22, 1970[10]	March 20, 1996
Hungary	January 1, 1909	September 19, or December 22, 1970[10]	–
Italy	October 15, 1894	April 24, 1977	–
Kazakstan	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Kyrgyzstan	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Latvia	January 1, 1995	January 1, 1995	–
Liberia	December 25, 1995	December 25, 1995	–
Liechtenstein	July 14, 1933	May 25, 1972	–
Luxembourg	September 1, 1924	March 24, 1975[3]	–
Monaco	April 29, 1956	October 4, 1975	–
Mongolia	April 21, 1985	April 21, 1985	–
Morocco	July 30, 1917	January 24, 1976	–
Netherlands	March 1, 1893	March 6, 1975[3,11]	–
Norway	–	–	March 29, 1996[5,8]
Poland	March 18, 1991	March 18, 1991[4]	–
Portugal	October 31, 1893	November 22, 1988	–
Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Romania	October 6, 1920	September 19, or December 22, 1970[10]	–
Russian Federation	July 1, 1976[12]	July 1, 1976[12]	–
San Marino	September 25, 1960	June 26, 1991	–
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	January 1, 1993	–
Slovenia	June 25, 1991	June 25, 1991	–
Spain	July 15, 1892	June 8, 1979	December 1, 1995
Sudan	May 16, 1984	May 16, 1984	–
Sweden	–	–	December 1, 1995[5,8]
Switzerland	July 15, 1892	September 19, or December 22, 1970[9]	–
Tajikistan	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–

6. Hague Agreement Concerning the International Deposit of Industrial Designs

Hague Agreement (1925), revised at London (1934) and The Hague (1960),[1] supplemented by the Additional Act of Monaco (1961),[2] the Complementary Act of Stockholm (1967) and the Protocol of Geneva (1975),[3] and amended in 1979

(Hague Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Date on which State became party to the London Act	Date on which State became party to the Hague Act[1]	Date on which State became party to the Complementary Act of Stockholm
Belgium[4,5]	April 1, 1979	–	August 1, 1984	May 28, 1979
Benin	November 2, 1986	November 2, 1986	November 2, 1986	January 2, 1987
Côte d'Ivoire	May 30, 1993	May 30, 1993	May 30, 1993	May 30, 1993
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	May 27, 1992	–	May 27, 1992	May 27, 1992
Egypt	July 1, 1952	July 1, 1952	–	–
France[6]	October 20, 1930	June 25, 1939	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975
Germany	June 1, 1928	June 13, 1939	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975
Holy See	September 29, 1960	September 29, 1960	–	–
Hungary[7]	April 7, 1984	April 7, 1984	August 1, 1984	April 7, 1984
Indonesia	December 24, 1950	December 24, 1950	–	–
Italy	June 13, 1987	–	June 13, 1987	August 13, 1987
Liechtenstein	July 14, 1933	January 28, 1951	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975
Luxembourg[5]	April 1, 1979	–	August 1, 1984	May 28, 1979
Monaco	April 29, 1956	April 29, 1956	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975
Morocco	October 20, 1930	January 21, 1941	–	–
Netherlands[4,5]	April 1, 1979	–	August 1, 1984[8]	May 28, 1979[8]
Republic of Moldova	March 14, 1994	–	March 14, 1994	March 14, 1994
Romania	July 18, 1992	–	July 18, 1992	July 18, 1992
Senegal	June 30, 1984	June 30, 1984	August 1, 1984	June 30, 1984
Slovenia	January 13, 1995	–	January 13, 1995	January 13, 1995
Spain	June 1, 1928	March 2, 1956	–	–
Suriname	November 25, 1975	November 25, 1975	August 1, 1984	February 23, 1977
Switzerland	June 1, 1928	November 24, 1939	August 1, 1984	September 27, 1975
Tunisia	October 20, 1930	October 4, 1942	–	–
Yugoslavia	December 30, 1993	–	December 30, 1993	December 30, 1993

(Total: 25 States)

[1] The Protocol to the Hague Act (1960) is not yet in force. It has been ratified by or acceded to by the following States: Belgium, France, Germany, Italy, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Netherlands, Switzerland.

[2] The Additional Act of Monaco (1961) is in force in respect of the following States as from the dates indicated: France (December 1, 1962), Germany (December 1, 1962), Liechtenstein (July 9, 1966), Monaco (September 14, 1963), Netherlands (as far as the Netherlands Antilles is concerned) (September 14, 1963), Spain (August 31, 1969), Suriname (November 25, 1975) and Switzerland (December 21, 1962). See also footnote 4.

[3] The Protocol of Geneva (1975), in accordance with Article 11(2)(a) thereof, ceased to have effect as of August 1, 1984; however, as provided by Article 11(2)(b), States bound by the Protocol (Belgium (as from April 1, 1979), France (as from February 18, 1980), Germany (as from December 26, 1981), Hungary (as from April 7, 1984), Liechtenstein (as from April 1, 1979), Luxembourg (as from April 1, 1979), Monaco (as from March 5, 1981), Netherlands (as from April 1, 1979), Senegal (as from June 30, 1984), Suriname (as from April 1, 1979) and Switzerland (as from April 1, 1979)) are not relieved of their obligations thereunder in respect of industrial designs whose date of international deposit is prior to August 1, 1984.

[4] Belgium had withdrawn from the Hague Union with effect from January 1, 1975. The Netherlands had denounced, in respect of the Kingdom in Europe and with effect from January 1, 1975, the Hague Agreement (1925) and the subsequent Acts to which the Netherlands had adhered, specifying that the said Agreement and Acts – London Act (1934) and Additional Act of Monaco (1961) – would remain in force in respect of the Netherlands Antilles and Suriname. As a result of their ratification of the Protocol of Geneva (1975) and its entry into force on April 1, 1979, Belgium and the Netherlands became, again, as from that date, members of the Hague Union.

[5] The territories in Europe of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands are, for the application of the Hague Agreement, to be deemed a single country.

[6] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

[7] With the declaration that Hungary does not consider itself bound by the Protocol annexed to the Hague Act (1960).

[8] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe.

8. Lisbon Agreement for the Protection of Appellations of Origin and their International Registration

Lisbon Agreement (1958), revised at Stockholm (1967), and amended in 1979

(Lisbon Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Latest Act of the Agreement to which State is party and date on which it became party to Act	
Algeria	July 5, 1972	Stockholm:	October 31, 1973
Bulgaria	August 12, 1975	Stockholm:	August 12, 1975
Burkina Faso	September 2, 1975	Stockholm:	September 2, 1975
Congo	November 16, 1977	Stockholm:	November 16, 1977
Cuba	September 25, 1966	Stockholm:	April 8, 1975
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Stockholm:	January 1, 1993
France[1]	September 25, 1966	Stockholm:	August 12, 1975
Gabon	June 10, 1975	Stockholm:	June 10, 1975
Haiti	September 25, 1966	Lisbon:	September 25, 1966
Hungary	March 23, 1967	Stockholm:	October 31, 1973
Israel	September 25, 1966	Stockholm:	October 31, 1973
Italy	December 29, 1968	Stockholm:	April 24, 1977
Mexico	September 25, 1966	Lisbon:	September 25, 1966
Portugal	September 25, 1966	Stockholm:	April 17, 1991
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	Stockholm:	January 1, 1993
Togo	April 30, 1975	Stockholm:	April 30, 1975
Tunisia	October 31, 1973	Stockholm:	October 31, 1973

(Total: 17 States)

[1] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

10. Locarno Agreement Establishing an International Classification for Industrial Designs

Locarno Agreement (1968), amended in 1979

(Locarno Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement
Austria	September 26, 1990	Netherlands[2]	March 30, 1977
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	Norway	April 27, 1971
Croatia	October 8, 1991	Russian Federation	December 15, 1972[3]
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Denmark	April 27, 1971	Slovenia	June 25, 1991
Finland	May 16, 1972	Spain	November 17, 1973
France[1]	September 13, 1975	Sweden	April 27, 1971
Germany	October 25, 1990	Switzerland	April 27, 1971
Hungary	January 1, 1974	Tajikistan	December 25, 1991
Iceland	April 9, 1995	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991
Ireland	April 27, 1971	Trinidad and Tobago	March 20, 1996
Italy	August 12, 1975	Yugoslavia	October 16, 1973
Malawi	October 24, 1995		

(Total: 25 States)

[1] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

[2] The Netherlands extended the application of the Locarno Agreement to Aruba with effect from November 8, 1986.

[3] Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

12. Strasbourg Agreement Concerning the International Patent Classification

Strasbourg Agreement (1971), amended in 1979

(IPC Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement
Australia[1]	November 12, 1975	Malawi	July 24, 1996
Austria	October 7, 1975	Monaco[2]	June 13, 1976
Belgium[2]	July 4, 1976	Netherlands[3]	October 7, 1975
Brazil	October 7, 1975	Norway[1]	October 7, 1975
Canada	January 11, 1996	Portugal	May 1, 1979
Cuba	November 9, 1996	Russian Federation	October 3, 1976[4]
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Denmark	October 7, 1975	Spain[1,2]	November 29, 1975
Egypt	October 17, 1975	Suriname	November 25, 1975
Finland[1]	May 16, 1976	Sweden	October 7, 1975
France[2]	October 7, 1975	Switzerland	October 7, 1975
Germany	October 7, 1975	Tajikistan	December 25, 1991
Ireland[1]	October 7, 1975	Trinidad and Tobago	December 20, 1996
Israel	October 7, 1975	Turkey	October 1, 1996
Italy[2]	March 30, 1980	United Kingdom[1]	October 7, 1975
Japan	August 18, 1977	United States of America	October 7, 1975
Luxembourg[2]	April 9, 1977		

(Total: 33 States)

[1] With the reservation provided for in Article 4(4)(i).

[2] With the reservation provided for in Article 4(4)(ii).

[3] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

[4] Date of accession by the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

14. Vienna Agreement Establishing an International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks

Vienna Agreement (1973), amended in 1985

(Vienna Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement
France[1,2]	August 9, 1985	Trinidad and Tobago	March 20, 1996
Luxembourg	August 9, 1985	Tunisia	August 9, 1985
Netherlands[3]	August 9, 1985	Turkey	January 1, 1996
Sweden	August 9, 1985		

(Total: 7 States)

[1] With the declaration provided for in Article 16(2) relating to the International Court of Justice.

[2] Including certain Departments and Overseas Territories.

[3] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe.

15. Convention Relating to the Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite

Satellites Convention (Brussels, 1974)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	State	Date on which State became party to the Convention
Armenia	December 13, 1993	Morocco	June 30, 1983
Australia	October 26, 1990	Nicaragua	August 25, 1979
Austria	August 6, 1982	Panama	September 25, 1985
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	Peru	August 7, 1985
Croatia	October 8, 1991	Portugal	March 11, 1996
Germany[1]	August 25, 1979	Russian Federation	January 20, 1989[2]
Greece	October 22, 1991	Slovenia	June 25, 1991
Italy[1]	July 7, 1981	Switzerland	September 24, 1993
Kenya	August 25, 1979	United States of America	March 7, 1985
Mexico	August 25, 1979	Yugoslavia	August 25, 1979

(Total: 20 States)

[1] With a declaration, pursuant to Article 2(2) of the Convention, that the protection accorded under Article 2(1) is restricted in its territory to a period of 25 years after the expiry of the calendar year in which the transmission by satellite has occurred.

[2] Date of accession by the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

17. Nairobi Treaty on the Protection of the Olympic Symbol

Nairobi Treaty (1981)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty	State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty
Algeria	August 16, 1984	Italy	October 25, 1985
Argentina	January 10, 1986	Jamaica	March 17, 1984
Barbados	February 28, 1986	Kenya	September 25, 1982
Belarus	December 25, 1991	Mexico	May 16, 1985
Bolivia	August 11, 1985	Morocco	November 11, 1993
Brazil	August 10, 1984	Oman	March 26, 1986
Bulgaria	May 6, 1984	Qatar	July 23, 1983
Chile	December 14, 1983	Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991
Congo	March 8, 1983	Russian Federation	April 17, 1986[1]
Cuba	October 21, 1984	San Marino	March 18, 1986
Cyprus	August 11, 1985	Senegal	August 6, 1984
Egypt	October 1, 1982	Sri Lanka	February 19, 1984
El Salvador	October 14, 1984	Syria	April 13, 1984
Equatorial Guinea	September 25, 1982	Tajikistan	December 25, 1991
Ethiopia	September 25, 1982	Togo	December 8, 1983
Greece	August 29, 1983	Tunisia	May 21, 1983
Guatemala	February 21, 1983	Uganda	October 21, 1983
India	October 19, 1983	Uruguay	April 16, 1984

(Total: 36 States)

[1] Date of ratification by the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

18. Treaty on the International Registration of Audiovisual Works

Film Register Treaty (Geneva, 1989)

(FRT Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty	State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty
Argentina	July 29, 1992	Czech Republic	January 1, 1993
Austria	February 27, 1991	France	February 27, 1991
Brazil	June 26, 1993	Mexico	February 27, 1991
Burkina Faso	February 27, 1991	Peru	July 27, 1994
Chile	December 29, 1993	Senegal	April 3, 1994
Colombia	May 9, 1994	Slovakia	January 1, 1993

(Total: 12 States)

II. STATES PARTY TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NEW VARIETIES OF PLANTS

International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV)*

UPOV Convention (1961), as revised at Geneva (1972, 1978 and 1991[1])

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	No. of contribution units	Date on which State became party to the Convention of 1961	Date on which State became party to the 1978 Act
Argentina	December 25, 1994	0.2	–	December 25, 1994
Australia	March 1, 1989	1.0	–	March 1, 1989
Austria	July 14, 1994	1.5	–	July 14, 1994
Belgium[2,3]	December 5, 1976	1.5	December 5, 1976	–
Canada	March 4, 1991	1.0	–	March 4, 1991
Chile	January 5, 1996	0.2	–	January 5, 1996
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	0.5	–	January 1, 1993
Denmark[2,4]	October 6, 1968	1.5	October 6, 1968	November 8, 1981
Finland	April 16, 1993	1.0	–	April 16, 1993
France[2,3,5]	October 3, 1971	5.0	October 3, 1971	March 17, 1983
Germany[2]	August 10, 1968	5.0	August 10, 1968	April 12, 1986
Hungary	April 16, 1983	0.5	–	April 16, 1983
Ireland	November 8, 1981	1.0	–	November 8, 1981
Israel[2]	December 12, 1979	0.5	December 12, 1979	May 12, 1984
Italy[2]	July 1, 1977	2.0	July 1, 1977	May 28, 1986
Japan	September 3, 1982	5.0	–	September 3, 1982
Netherlands[2]	August 10, 1968	3.0	August 10, 1968	September 2, 1984[6]
New Zealand	November 8, 1981	1.0	–	November 8, 1981
Norway	September 13, 1993	1.0	–	September 13, 1993
Poland	November 11, 1989	0.5	–	November 11, 1989
Portugal	October 14, 1995	0.5	–	October 14, 1995
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	0.5	–	January 1, 1993
South Africa[2]	November 6, 1977	1.0	November 6, 1977	November 8, 1981
Spain[2,7]	May 18, 1980	1.5	May 18, 1980	–
Sweden[2]	December 17, 1971	1.5	December 17, 1971	January 1, 1983
Switzerland[2]	July 10, 1977	1.5	July 10, 1977	November 8, 1981
Ukraine	November 3, 1995	0.5	–	November 3, 1995
United Kingdom[2]	August 10, 1968	5.0	August 10, 1968	September 24, 1983
United States of America[8]	November 8, 1981	5.0	–	November 8, 1981
Uruguay	November 13, 1994	0.2	–	November 13, 1994

(Total: 30 States)

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* UPOV is an independent intergovernmental organization having legal personality. Pursuant to an agreement concluded between WIPO and UPOV, the Director General of WIPO is the Secretary-General of UPOV and WIPO provides administrative and financial services for UPOV.

[1] The 1991 Act is not yet in force. It was signed by the following States: Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, United States of America (16).

[2] The Additional Act of 1972 is in force in respect of the following States as from the dates indicated hereafter: Belgium (February 11, 1977); Denmark (February 11, 1977); France (February 11, 1977); Germany (February 11, 1977); Israel (December 12, 1979); Italy (July 1, 1977); Netherlands (February 11, 1977); South Africa (November 6, 1977); Spain (May 18, 1980); Sweden (February 11, 1977); Switzerland (July 10, 1977); United Kingdom (July 31, 1980).

[3] With a notification under Article 34(2) of the 1978 Act.

[4] With a declaration that the Convention of 1961, the Additional Act of 1972 and the 1978 Act do not bind Greenland and the Faröe Islands.

[5] With a declaration that the 1978 Act applies to the territory of the French Republic, including the Overseas Departments and Territories.

[6] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe. The Netherlands extended the application of the 1978 Act to Aruba with effect from November 8, 1986.

[7] With a declaration that the Convention of 1961 and the Additional Act of 1972 apply to the entire territory of Spain.

[8] With a notification under Article 37(1) and (2) of the 1978 Act.

IV. GOVERNING BODIES OF WIPO, OF THE UNIONS ADMINISTERED BY WIPO AND THEIR (PERMANENT) COMMITTEES, AND OF THE ROME CONVENTION

Status on January 1, 1996

WIPO

General Assembly: Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe (141).

Conference: The same States as above, with Andorra, Angola, Bahrain, Bhutan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, Guatemala, Laos, Nicaragua, Panama, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sierra Leone, Somalia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen (157).

Coordination Committee: Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Finland, France, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Madagascar, Mexico, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zambia (68).

WIPO Budget Committee: Algeria, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, Chile, China, France, Germany, Guinea, India, Japan, Netherlands, Pakistan, Philippines, Poland, Russian Federation, Switzerland (*ex officio*), United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay (21).

WIPO Premises Committee: Argentina, Brazil, China, Egypt, France, Germany, India, Nigeria, Russian Federation, Switzerland, United States of America (11).

WIPO Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation Related to Industrial Property: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Laos, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe (116).

WIPO Permanent Committee for Development Cooperation Related to Copyright and Neighboring Rights: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Fiji, Finland, France, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Haiti, Honduras, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritius, Mexico, Mongolia, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Romania, Russian Federation, Saint Lucia, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Somalia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yemen, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe (106).

WIPO Permanent Committee on Industrial Property Information (PCIPI): Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of

Locarno Union

Assembly: Austria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Malawi, Netherlands, Norway, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago (as from March 20, 1996), Yugoslavia (25).

PCT Union

Assembly: Albania, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Guinea, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Turkmenistan, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam (83).

IPC Union

Assembly: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada (as from January 11, 1996), Cuba (as from November 9, 1996), Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Finland, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, Malawi (as from July 24, 1996), Monaco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Trinidad and tobago (as from December 20, 1996), Turkey (as from October 1, 1996), United Kingdom, United States of America (33).

Vienna Union

Assembly: France, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Sweden, Trinidad and Tobago (as from March 20, 1996), Tunisia, Turkey (7).

Budapest Union

Assembly: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Netherlands, Norway, Philippines, Poland, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Trinidad and Tobago, United Kingdom, United States of America, Yugoslavia (35).

Intergovernmental Committee of the Rome Convention

Argentina, Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Finland, France, Germany, Japan, Mexico, Sweden, United Kingdom, Uruguay (12).

FRT Union

Assembly: Argentina, Austria, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Chile, Colombia, Czech Republic, France, Mexico, Peru, Senegal, Slovakia (12).

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ANNOUNCEMENT ON THE STARTING DATE OF OPERATIONS UNDER THE EURASIAN PATENT CONVENTION

1. The starting date of operations under the Eurasian Patent Convention,* which was done at Moscow on September 9, 1994, is *January 1, 1996*. As from that date, the Eurasian Patent Office receives Eurasian patent applications and Eurasian patents can be sought** in international applications under the PCT.

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2. By December 31, 1995, the following nine States (hereinafter referred to as "the Contracting States") had deposited their instruments of accession to, or ratification of, the Eurasian Patent Convention with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Tajikistan and Turkmenistan.***

3. The Convention allows anyone--irrespective of nationality or domicile--to obtain a Eurasian patent for invention, having effect in all the Contracting States, by filing a single application with, and making a single payment to, the Eurasian Patent Office in Moscow. The request part of an application for the grant of a Eurasian patent must be in Russian. Other parts of the Eurasian application may, at the time of the filing of the application, be in Russian or in any other language. For any parts that are not in Russian, a Russian translation must be furnished by the applicant within two months following the date of receipt, by the Eurasian Patent Office, of the Eurasian application. The Eurasian Patent Office accepts the filing of applications by facsimile, but the signed original must reach the Office within 14 days.

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* For the text of the Eurasian Patent Convention, see Industrial Property Laws and Treaties, MULTILATERAL TREATIES - Text 2-013, *Industrial Property and Copyright*, July/August 1995.

** For designation of States party to the Eurasian Patent Convention, see PCT Newsletter No. 11/1995, pages 1 and 6.

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5. If the grant of a Eurasian patent is refused, the applicant may transform his Eurasian application into national applications having the filing date and the priority date, if any, of the Eurasian application, in those Contracting States in which he wishes to obtain a national patent under the national procedure.

6. The granted Eurasian patent is not a bundle of national patents but has, in the Contracting States, a unitary legal effect governed by the Convention and the Patent Regulations adopted by the Administrative Council.

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8. In the case of a dispute, any national court or other competent authority of a Contracting State in which Russian is not a State language may require that the plaintiff furnish to it a translation of the Eurasian patent in the State language.

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10. Any person who has the right to be a representative before the national Patent Office of a Contracting State and who is registered with the Eurasian Patent Office as a patent agent may act as representative before the Eurasian Patent Office. Where the applicant does not have his residence or principal place of business in the territory of a Contracting State, he is required to be represented by such a registered patent agent.

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Paris Union

Assembly: Albania, Algeria, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bangladesh, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, Indonesia, Iraq, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kazakstan, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, New Zealand, Niger, Norway, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, San Marino, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Suriname, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Turkey, Uganda, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe (132).

Conference of Representatives: Dominican Republic, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Nigeria, Syria (4).

Executive Committee: Argentina, Australia, Austria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chile, China, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Germany, Ghana, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of) (associate member), Italy, Japan, Kazakstan, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Portugal, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Singapore, Slovenia, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Swaziland, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, Ukraine (35).

Berne Union

Assembly: Albania, Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Central African Republic, Chad, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Estonia, Fiji, Finland, France, Gabon, Gambia, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Guyana, Haiti (as from January 11, 1996), Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iceland, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Latvia, Lesotho, Liberia, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Namibia, Netherlands, Niger, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Rwanda, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yugoslavia, Zaire, Zambia, Zimbabwe (114).

Conference of Representatives: Lebanon, Madagascar, New Zealand (3).

Executive Committee: Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Colombia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, India, Ireland, Kenya, Madagascar (associate member), Morocco, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Romania, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Tunisia, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela, Zambia (30).

Madrid Union (Marks)

Assembly: Albania, Algeria, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Kazakstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Liberia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sudan, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Viet Nam, Yugoslavia (46).

Hague Union

Assembly: Belgium, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Senegal, Slovenia, Suriname, Switzerland, Yugoslavia (19).

Conference of Representatives: Egypt, Holy See, Indonesia, Morocco, Spain, Tunisia (6).

Nice Union

Assembly: Algeria, Australia, Austria, Barbados, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Croatia, Cuba, Czech Republic, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malawi, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Russian Federation, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Suriname, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Trinidad and Tobago (as from March 20, 1996), Turkey, United Kingdom, United States of America, Yugoslavia (44).

Conference of Representatives: Lebanon, Tunisia (2).

Lisbon Union

Assembly: Algeria, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Congo, Cuba, Czech Republic, France, Gabon, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Portugal, Slovakia, Togo, Tunisia (15).

Council: Haiti, Mexico (2).

III. CONTRIBUTION CLASSES OF STATES MEMBERS OF WIPO AND/OR THE PARIS AND/OR BERNE UNIONS[1]

Status on January 1, 1996

Albania	IX
Algeria	VII
Andorra	IX
Angola	*Ster*
Argentina	VI*bis*
Armenia	IX
Australia	III
Austria	IV*bis*
Azerbaijan	IX
Bahamas	S
Bahrain	S
Bangladesh	*Ster*
Barbados	S*bis*
Belarus	IX
Belgium	III
Benin	*Ster*
Bhutan	*Ster*
Bolivia	S*bis*
Bosnia and Herzegovina	VIII
Brazil	VI*bis*
Brunei Darussalam	S
Bulgaria	VI*bis*
Burkina Faso	*Ster*
Burundi	*Ster*
Cambodia	*Ster*
Cameroon	S*bis*
Canada	IV
Central African Republic	*Ster*
Chad	*Ster*
Chile	S
China	IV*bis*
Colombia	S
Congo	S*bis*
Costa Rica	S*bis*
Côte d'Ivoire	S*bis*
Croatia	VIII
Cuba	S
Cyprus	S
Czech Republic	V
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	S
Denmark	IV
Dominican Republic	S*bis*
Ecuador	S
Egypt	S
El Salvador	S*bis*
Estonia	IX
Fiji	S*bis*
Finland	IV
France	I
Gabon	S*bis*
Gambia	*Ster*
Georgia	IX
Germany	I
Ghana	S*bis*
Greece	VI
Guatemala	S
Guinea	*Ster*
Guinea-Bissau	*Ster*
Guyana	S*bis*
Haiti	*Ster*
Holy See	VIII
Honduras	S*bis*
Hungary	VI
Iceland	VIII
India	VI*bis*
Indonesia	VII
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	VII
Iraq	IX
Ireland	IV
Israel	VI*bis*
Italy	III
Jamaica	S*bis*
Japan	I
Jordan	S*bis*
Kazakstan	IX
Kenya	S*bis*
Kyrgyzstan	IX
Laos	*Ster*
Latvia	IX
Lebanon	S*bis*
Lesotho	*Ster*
Liberia	*Ster*
Libya	VI*bis*
Liechtenstein	VIII
Lithuania	IX
Luxembourg	VII
Madagascar	*Ster*
Malawi	*Ster*
Malaysia	VIII
Mali	*Ster*
Malta	S*bis*
Mauritania	*Ster*
Mauritius	S*bis*
Mexico	IV*bis*
Monaco	VII
Mongolia	S*bis*
Morocco	S
Namibia	S*bis*
Netherlands	III
New Zealand	VI
Nicaragua	S*bis*
Niger	*Ster*
Nigeria	VII
Norway	IV
Pakistan	S
Panama	S*bis*
Paraguay	S*bis*
Peru	S
Philippines	S
Poland	VI
Portugal	IV*bis*
Qatar	S
Republic of Korea	VII
Republic of Moldova	IX
Romania	VI*bis*
Russian Federation	IV
Rwanda	*Ster*
Saint Kitts and Nevis	S*bis*
Saint Lucia	S*bis*
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	S*bis*
San Marino	IX
Saudi Arabia	VII
Senegal	S*bis*
Sierra Leone	*Ster*
Singapore	IX
Slovakia	V
Slovenia	VII
Somalia	*Ster*
South Africa	IV*bis*
Spain	IV
Sri Lanka	S*bis*
Sudan	*Ster*
Suriname	S*bis*
Swaziland	S*bis*
Sweden	III
Switzerland	III
Syria	S
Tajikistan	IX
Thailand	IX
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	VIII
Togo	*Ster*
Trinidad and Tobago	S
Tunisia	S
Turkey	VI*bis*
Turkmenistan	IX
Uganda	*Ster*
Ukraine	IX
United Arab Emirates	IX
United Kingdom	I
United Republic of Tanzania	*Ster*
United States of America	I
Uruguay	S
Uzbekistan	IX
Venezuela	IX
Viet Nam	S*bis*
Yemen	*Ster*
Yugoslavia	VI*bis*
Zaire	*Ster*
Zambia	*Ster*
Zimbabwe	S*bis*

(Total: 160 States)

[1] The unitary contribution system established with effect from January 1, 1994, replaces the separate contribution systems of WIPO and the six Contribution-financed Unions, that is, each State pays one contribution, irrespective of whether it is a member of WIPO or of one or more of the Contribution-financed Unions. Under the unitary contribution system, there are the following classes corresponding to the units of contribution indicated between parentheses: I (25), II (20), III (15), IV (10), IV*bis* (7.5), V (5), VI (3), VI*bis* (2), VII (1), VIII (1/2), IX (1/4), S (1/8), S*bis* (1/16) and S*ter* (1/32).

19. Treaty on Intellectual Property in Respect of Integrated Circuits[1]

(Washington, 1989)

Status on January 1, 1996

Signatory States	Ratification
China, Egypt, Ghana, Guatemala, India, Liberia, Yugoslavia, Zambia (8)	Egypt (1)

20. Trademark Law Treaty[2]

(Geneva, 1994)

Status on January 1, 1996

Signatories	Instruments of Accession, Ratification, Acceptance or Approval	
States and Organizations	State	Date of deposit
Austria, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, China, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, France, Gabon, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Indonesia, Israel, Italy, Kenya, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Morocco, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Russian Federation, Senegal, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, the European Communities	Republic of Moldova	December 19, 1995
(Total: 51)	(Total: 1)	

21. Eurasian Patent Convention

(Moscow, 1994)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	State	Date on which State became party to the Convention
Armenia	February 27, 1996	Republic of Moldova	February 16, 1996
Azerbaijan	December 25, 1995	Russian Federation	September 27, 1995
Belarus	August 12, 1995	Tajikistan	August 12, 1995
Kazakstan	November 4, 1995	Turkmenistan	August 12, 1995
Kyrgyzstan	January 13, 1996		

(Total: 9 States)

[1] This instrument is not yet in force.

[2] This instrument, which was open for signature until October 27, 1995, is not yet in force.

16. Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure

Budapest Treaty (1977), modified in 1980

(Budapest Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty	State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty
Australia	July 7, 1987	Liechtenstein	August 19, 1981
Austria	April 26, 1984	Netherlands[1]	July 2, 1987
Belgium	December 15, 1983	Norway	January 1, 1986
Bulgaria	August 19, 1980	Philippines	October 21, 1981
China	July 1, 1995	Poland	September 22, 1993
Cuba	February 19, 1994	Republic of Korea	March 28, 1988
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991
Denmark	July 1, 1985	Russian Federation	April 22, 1981[2]
Finland	September 1, 1985	Singapore	February 23, 1995
France	August 19, 1980	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Germany	January 20, 1981	Spain	March 19, 1981
Greece	October 30, 1993	Sweden	October 1, 1983
Hungary	August 19, 1980	Switzerland	August 19, 1981
Iceland	March 23, 1995	Tajikistan	December 25, 1991
Israel	April 26, 1996	Trinidad and Tobago	March 10, 1994
Italy	March 23, 1986	United Kingdom	December 29, 1980
Japan	August 19, 1980	United States of America	August 19, 1980
Latvia	December 29, 1994	Yugoslavia	February 25, 1994

(Total: 36 States)

DECLARATIONS OF ACCEPTANCE FILED UNDER ARTICLE 9(1)(a) OF THE BUDAPEST TREATY BY INTERGOVERNMENTAL INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATIONS

Organization	Effective Date
European Patent Organisation (EPO	November 26, 1980

INTERNATIONAL DEPOSITARY AUTHORITIES UNDER ARTICLE 7 OF THE BUDAPEST TREATY[3]

Institution	Country	Date status acquired
All-Union Scientific Centre of Antibiotics (VNIIA)	Russian Federation	August 31, 1987
Agricultural Research Service Culture Collection (NRRL)	United States of America	January 31, 1981
American Type Culture Collection (ATCC)	United States of America	January 31, 1981
Australian Government Analytical Laboratories (AGAL)	Australia	September 30, 1988
Belgian Coordinated Collections of Microorganisms (BCCM)	Belgium	March 1, 1992
Centraalbureau voor Schimmelcultures (CBS)	Netherlands	October 1, 1981
China Center for Type Culture Collection (CCTCC)	China	July 1, 1995
China General Microbiological Culture Center (CGMCC)	China	July 1, 1995
Colección Española de Cultivos Tipo (CECT)	Spain	May 31, 1992
Collection Nationale de Cultures de Micro-organismes (CNCM)	France	August 31, 1984
Culture Collection of Algae and Protozoa (CCAP)	United Kingdom	September 30, 1982
Culture Collection of Yeasts (CCI)	Slovakia	August 31, 1992
Czech Collection of Microorganisms (CCM)	Czech Republic	August 31, 1992
DSM – Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSM)	Germany	October 1, 1981
European Collection of Cell Cultures (ECACC)	United Kingdom	September 30, 1984
International Mycological Institute (IMI)	United Kingdom	March 31, 1983
Korean Cell Line Research Foundation (KCLRF)	Republic of Korea	August 31, 1993
Korean Culture Center of Microorganisms (KCCM)	Republic of Korea	June 30, 1990
Korea Research Institute of Bioscience and Biotechnology (KRIBB)	Republic of Korea	June 30, 1990
National Bank for Industrial Microorganisms and Cell Cultures (NBIMCC)	Bulgaria	October 31, 1987
National Collection of Agricultural and Industrial Microorganisms (NCAIM)	Hungary	June 1, 1986
National Collection of Food Bacteria (NCFB)	United Kingdom	February 28, 1990
National Collection of Type Cultures (NCTC)	United Kingdom	August 31, 1982
National Collection of Yeast Cultures (NCYC)	United Kingdom	January 31, 1982
National Collections of Industrial and Marine Bacteria Limited (NCIMB)	United Kingdom	March 31, 1982
National Institute of Bioscience and Human-Technology (NIBH)	Japan	May 1, 1981
Russian Collection of Microorganisms (VKM)	Russian Federation	August 31, 1987
Russian National Collection of Industrial Microorganisms (VKPM), GNII Genetika	Russian Federation	August 31, 1987

(Total: 28 Authorities)

[1] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

[2] Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

[3] A list of the kinds of microorganisms that may be deposited with, and the amount of fees charged by, the international depositary authorities appears under "Notifications Concerning Treaties Administered by WIPO" in *Industrial Property and Copyright*, 1996, p. 43.

13. Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms Against Unauthorized Duplication of Their Phonograms

Phonograms Convention (Geneva, 1971)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	State	Date on which State became party to the Convention
Argentina	June 30, 1973	Israel	May 1, 1978
Australia	June 22, 1974	Italy[1]	March 24, 1977
Austria	August 21, 1982	Jamaica	January 11, 1994
Barbados	July 29, 1983	Japan	October 14, 1978
Brazil	November 28, 1975	Kenya	April 21, 1976
Bulgaria	September 6, 1995	Luxembourg	March 8, 1976
Burkina Faso	January 30, 1988	Mexico	December 21, 1973
Chile	March 24, 1977	Monaco	December 2, 1974
China	April 30, 1993	Netherlands[2]	October 12, 1993
Colombia	May 16, 1994	New Zealand	August 13, 1976
Costa Rica	June 17, 1982	Norway	August 1, 1978
Cyprus	September 30, 1993	Panama	June 29, 1974
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Paraguay	February 13, 1979
Denmark	March 24, 1977	Peru	August 24, 1985
Ecuador	September 14, 1974	Republic of Korea	October 10, 1987
Egypt	April 23, 1978	Russian Federation	March 13, 1995
El Salvador	February 9, 1979	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Fiji	April 18, 1973	Spain	August 24, 1974
Finland[1]	April 18, 1973	Sweden	April 18, 1973
France	April 18, 1973	Switzerland	September 30, 1993
Germany	May 18, 1974	Trinidad and Tobago	October 1, 1988
Greece	February 9, 1994	United Kingdom	April 18, 1973
Guatemala	February 1, 1977	United States of America	March 10, 1974
Holy See	July 18, 1977	Uruguay	January 18, 1983
Honduras	March 6, 1990	Venezuela	November 18, 1982
Hungary	May 28, 1975	Zaire	November 29, 1977
India	February 12, 1975		

(Total: 53 States)

[1] This State has declared, in accordance with Article 7(4) of the Convention, that it will apply the criterion according to which it affords protection to producers of phonograms solely on the basis of the place of first fixation instead of the criterion of the nationality of the producer.

[2] Accession for the Kingdom in Europe.

11. Patent Cooperation Treaty

PCT (Washington, 1970), amended in 1979 and modified in 1984

(PCT Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty	State	Date on which State became party to the Treaty
Albania	October 4, 1995	Lithuania	July 5, 1994
Armenia[1]	December 25, 1991	Luxembourg	April 30, 1978
Australia	March 31, 1980	Madagascar	January 24, 1978
Austria	April 23, 1979	Malawi	January 24, 1978
Azerbaijan	December 25, 1995	Mali	October 19, 1984
Barbados	March 12, 1985	Mauritania	April 13, 1983
Belarus[1]	December 25, 1991	Mexico	January 1, 1995
Belgium	December 14, 1981	Monaco	June 22, 1979
Benin	February 26, 1987	Mongolia	May 27, 1991
Brazil	April 9, 1978	Netherlands[5]	July 10, 1979
Bulgaria	May 21, 1984	New Zealand	December 1, 1992
Burkina Faso	March 21, 1989	Niger	March 21, 1993
Cameroon	January 24, 1978	Norway[2]	January 1, 1980
Canada	January 2, 1990	Poland[6]	December 25, 1990
Central African Republic	January 24, 1978	Portugal	November 24, 1992
Chad	January 24, 1978	Republic of Korea	August 10, 1984
China	January 1, 1994	Republic of Moldova[1]	December 25, 1991
Congo	January 24, 1978	Romania[1]	July 23, 1979
Côte d'Ivoire	April 30, 1991	Russian Federation[1]	March 29, 1978[7]
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Senegal	January 24, 1978
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	July 8, 1980	Singapore	February 23, 1995
Denmark	December 1, 1978	Slovakia	January 1, 1993
Estonia	August 24, 1994	Slovenia	March 1, 1994
Finland[2]	October 1, 1980	Spain[4]	November 16, 1989
France[1,3]	February 25, 1978	Sri Lanka	February 26, 1982
Gabon	January 24, 1978	Sudan	April 16, 1984
Georgia[1]	December 25, 1991	Swaziland	September 20, 1994
Germany	January 24, 1978	Sweden[2]	May 17, 1978
Greece[4]	October 9, 1990	Switzerland	January 24, 1978
Guinea	May 27, 1991	Tajikistan[1]	December 25, 1991
Hungary[1]	June 27, 1980	The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	August 10, 1995
Iceland	March 23, 1995	Togo	January 24, 1978
Ireland	August 1, 1992	Trinidad and Tobago	March 10, 1994
Italy	March 28, 1985	Turkey	January 1, 1996
Japan	October 1, 1978	Turkmenistan[1]	December 25, 1991
Kazakstan[1]	December 25, 1991	Uganda	February 9, 1995
Kenya	June 8, 1994	Ukraine[1]	December 25, 1991
Kyrgyzstan[1]	December 25, 1991	United Kingdom[8]	January 24, 1978
Latvia	September 7, 1993	United States of America[9,10]	January 24, 1978
Lesotho	October 21, 1995	Uzbekistan[1]	December 25, 1991
Liberia	August 27, 1994	Viet Nam	March 10, 1993
Liechtenstein	March 19, 1980		

(Total: 83 States)

INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES UNDER ARTICLE 16 OF THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

The Patent Offices of Australia, Austria, China, Japan, the Russian Federation, Spain, Sweden, the United States of America, and the European Patent Office.

INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES UNDER ARTICLE 32 OF THE PATENT COOPERATION TREATY

The Patent Offices of Australia, Austria, China, Japan, the Russian Federation, Sweden, the United States of America, and the European Patent Office.

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[1] With the declaration provided for in Article 64(5).
[2] With the declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(ii).
[3] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.
[4] With the declaration provided for in Article 64(I)(a).
[5] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.
[6] With the declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(i) and (ii). The declaration provided for in Article 64(2)(a)(i) was withdrawn with effect from March 1, 1994.
[7] Date of ratification of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.
[8] The United Kingdom extended the application of the PCT to the territory of Hong Kong with effect from April 15, 1981, and to the Isle of Man with effect from October 29, 1983.
[9] With the declarations provided for in Articles 64(3)(a) and 64(4)(a).
[10] Extends to all areas for which the United States of America has international responsibility.

9. International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations*

Rome Convention (1961)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	State	Date on which State became party to the Convention
Argentina	March 2, 1992	Iceland[1]	June 15, 1994
Australia[1]	September 30, 1992	Ireland[1]	September 19, 1979
Austria[1]	June 9, 1973	Italy[1]	April 8, 1975
Barbados	September 18, 1983	Jamaica	January 27, 1994
Bolivia	November 24, 1993	Japan[1]	October 26, 1989
Brazil	September 29, 1965	Lesotho[1]	January 26, 1990
Bulgaria	August 31, 1995	Luxembourg[1]	February 25, 1976
Burkina Faso	January 14, 1988	Mexico	May 18, 1964
Chile	September 5, 1974	Monaco[1]	December 6, 1985
Colombia	September 17, 1976	Netherlands[1,2]	October 7, 1993
Congo[1]	May 18, 1964	Niger[1]	May 18, 1964
Costa Rica	September 9, 1971	Nigeria[1]	October 29, 1993
Czech Republic[1]	January 1, 1993	Norway[1]	July 10, 1978
Denmark[1]	September 23, 1965	Panama	September 2, 1983
Dominican Republic	January 27, 1987	Paraguay	February 26, 1970
Ecuador	May 18, 1964	Peru	August 7, 1985
El Salvador	June 29, 1979	Philippines	September 25, 1984
Fiji[1]	April 11, 1972	Republic of Moldova[1]	December 5, 1995
Finland[1]	October 21, 1983	Slovakia[1]	January 1, 1993
France[1]	July 3, 1987	Spain[1]	November 14, 1991
Germany[1]	October 21, 1966	Sweden[1]	May 18, 1964
Greece	January 6, 1993	Switzerland[1]	September 24, 1993
Guatemala	January 14, 1977	United Kingdom[1]	May 18, 1964
Honduras	February 16, 1990	Uruguay	July 4, 1977
Hungary	February 10, 1995	Venezuela	January 30, 1996

(Total: 50 States)

* The secretarial tasks relating to this Convention are performed jointly with the International Labour Office and Unesco.

[1] The instruments of ratification or accession deposited with the Secretary-General of the United Nations by the following States contain declarations made under the articles mentioned hereafter (with reference to publication in *Le Droit d'auteur* (Copyright) for the years 1962 to 1964 in *Copyright* for the years 1965 to 1994 and in *Industrial Property and Copyright* since 1995):
Australia, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)), 6(2), 16(1)(a)(i) and 16(1)(b) [1992, p. 301];
Austria, Article 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) and 1(b) [1973, p. 67];
Bulgaria, Article 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1995, p. 262];
Czech Republic, Article 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1964, p. 110];
Congo, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)) and 16(1)(a)(i) [1964, p. 127];
Denmark, Articles 6(2), 16(1)(a)(ii) and (iv) and 17 [1965, p. 214];
Fiji, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(i) [1972, pp. 88 and 178];
Finland, Articles 16(1)(a)(i), (ii) and (iv) and 17 [1983, p. 287 and 1994, p. 152];
France, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)) and 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1987, p. 184];
Germany, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)) and 16(1)(a)(iv) [1966, p. 237];
Iceland, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(i), (ii), (iii) and (iv) [1994, p. 152];
Ireland, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(ii) [1979, p. 218];
Italy, Articles 6(2), 16(1)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv), 16(1)(b) and 17 [1975, p. 44];
Japan, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)) and 16(1)(a)(ii) and (iv) [1989, p. 288];
Lesotho, Article 16(1)(a)(ii) and (1)(b) [1990, p. 95];
Luxembourg, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)), 16(1)(a)(i) and 16(1)(b) [1976, p. 24];
Monaco, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)), 16(1)(a)(i) and 16(1)(b) [1985, p. 422];
Netherlands, Article 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1993, p. 253];
Niger, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)) and 16(1)(a)(i) [1963, p. 155];
Nigeria, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) [1993, p. 253];
Norway, Articles 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) [1978, p. 133; in respect of 16(1)(a)(ii) modified: 1989, p. 288];
Republic of Moldova, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)), 6(2), 16(1)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) [1996, p. 40];
Slovakia, Article 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1964, p. 110];
Spain, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(c)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1991, p. 221];
Sweden, Article 16(1)(a)(iv) [1962, p. 211; 1986, p. 382];
Switzerland, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)) and 16(1)(a)(iii) and (iv) [1993, p. 254];
United Kingdom, Articles 5(3) (concerning Article 5(1)(b)), 6(2) and 16(1)(a)(ii), (iii) and (iv) [1963, p. 244]; the same declarations were made for Gibraltar and Bermuda [1967, p. 36; 1970, p. 108].

[2] Accession for the Kingdom in Europe.

7. Nice Agreement Concerning the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks

Nice Agreement (1957), revised at Stockholm (1967) and at Geneva (1977), and amended in 1979

(Nice Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Latest Act of the Agreement to which State is party and date on which it became party to that Act	
Algeria	July 5, 1972	Stockholm:	July 5, 1972
Australia	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	February 6, 1979
Austria	November 30, 1969	Geneva:	August 21, 1982
Barbados	March 12, 1985	Geneva:	March 12, 1985
Belgium	June 6, 1962	Geneva:	November 20, 1984
Benin	February 6, 1979	Geneva:	February 6, 1979
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	Geneva:	March 23, 1994
China	August 9, 1994	Geneva:	August 9, 1994
Croatia	October 8, 1991	Geneva:	October 29, 1992
Cuba	December 26, 1995	Geneva:	December 26, 1995
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Geneva:	January 1, 1993
Denmark[1]	November 30, 1961	Geneva:	June 3, 1981
Finland	August 18, 1973	Geneva:	February 6, 1979
France[2]	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	April 22, 1980
Germany	January 29, 1962	Geneva:	January 12, 1982
Hungary	March 23, 1967	Geneva:	August 21, 1982
Iceland	April 9, 1995	Geneva:	April 9, 1995
Ireland	December 12, 1966	Geneva:	February 6, 1979
Israel	April 8, 1961	Stockholm:	November 12, 1969, or March 18, 1970[3]
Italy	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	February 19, 1983
Japan	February 20, 1990	Geneva:	February 20, 1990
Latvia	January 1, 1995	Geneva:	January 1, 1995
Lebanon	April 8, 1961	Nice:	April 8, 1961
Liechtenstein	May 29, 1967	Geneva:	February 14, 1987
Luxembourg	March 24, 1975	Geneva:	December 21, 1983
Malawi	October 24, 1995	Geneva:	October 24, 1995
Monaco	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	May 9, 1981
Morocco	October 1, 1966	Stockholm:	January 24, 1976
Netherlands[4]	August 20, 1962	Geneva:	August 15, 1979
Norway	July 28, 1961	Geneva:	July 7, 1981
Portugal	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	July 30, 1982
Russian Federation	July 26, 1971[5]	Geneva:	December 30, 1987[5]
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	Geneva:	January 1, 1993
Slovenia	June 25, 1991	Geneva:	September 30, 1992
Spain	April 8, 1961	Geneva:	May 9, 1979
Suriname	December 16, 1981	Geneva:	December 16, 1981
Sweden	July 28, 1961	Geneva:	February 6, 1979
Switzerland	August 20, 1962	Geneva:	April 22, 1986
Tajikistan	December 25, 1991	Geneva:	December 25, 1991
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991	Geneva:	October 26, 1993
Trinidad and Tobago	March 20, 1996	Geneva:	March 20, 1996
Tunisia	May 29, 1967	Nice:	May 29, 1967
Turkey	January 1, 1996	Geneva:	January 1, 1996
United Kingdom	April 15, 1963	Geneva:	July 3, 1979
United States of America	May 25, 1972	Geneva:	February 29, 1984
Yugoslavia	August 30, 1966	Stockholm:	October 16, 1973

(Total: 46 States)

[1] Denmark extended the application of the Stockholm Act to the Faröe Islands with effect from October 28, 1972.

[2] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

[3] These are the alternative dates of entry into force which the Director General of WIPO communicated to the States concerned.

[4] The Netherlands had extended the application of the Geneva Act to Aruba with effect from November 8, 1986, but on February 20, 1994, suspended that application retroactively as from that date for an indefinite period. The said suspension was terminated with effect on February 28, 1994.

[5] Date of adherence of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Date on which State became party to the Stockholm Act (1967)[2]	Date on which State became party to the Madrid Protocol (1989)
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991	September 8, 1991	–
Ukraine	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
United Kingdom	–	–	December 1, 1995[5,8,13]
Uzbekistan	December 25, 1991	December 25, 1991	–
Viet Nam	March 8, 1949	July 2, 1976	–
Yugoslavia	February 26, 1921	October 16, 1973	–

(Total: 51 States)

[1] The Madrid Union is composed of the States party to the Madrid Agreement and the Contracting Parties to the Madrid Protocol.

[2] All the States party to the Madrid Agreement have declared, under Article 3bis of the Nice or Stockholm Act, that the protection arising from international registration shall not extend to them unless the proprietor of the mark so requests.

[3] As from January 1, 1971, the territories in Europe of Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands are, for the application of the Madrid Agreement, to be deemed a single country.

[4] In accordance with Article 14(2) of the Madrid Agreement, this State declared that the application of the Stockholm Act was limited to marks registered from the date on which accession entered into force: China: October 4, 1989; Poland: March 18, 1991.

[5] In accordance with Article 5(2)(b) and (c) of the Protocol, this Contracting Party has declared that the time limit to notify a refusal of protection shall be 18 months and that, where a refusal of protection results from an opposition to the granting of protection, such refusal may be notified after the expiry of the 18-month time limit.

[6] In accordance with Article 14(5) of the Protocol, this Contracting Party has declared that the protection resulting from any international registration effected under the Protocol before the date of entry into force of the Protocol with respect to it cannot be extended to it.

[7] Not applicable to the Faroe Islands and to Greenland.

[8] In accordance with Article 8(7)(a) of the Protocol, this Contracting Party has declared that, in connection with each request for territorial extension to it of the protection of an international registration and the renewal of any such international registration, it wants to receive, instead of a share in the revenue produced by the supplementary and complementary fee, an individual fee.

[9] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

[10] These are the alternative dates of entry into force which the Director General of WIPO communicated to the States concerned.

[11] The instrument of ratification of the Stockholm Act was deposited for the Kingdom in Europe.

[12] Date of accession by the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

[13] Ratification in respect of the United Kingdom and Isle of Man.

4. Madrid Agreement for the Repression of False or Deceptive Indications of Source on Goods

Madrid Agreement (Indications of Source) (1891), revised at Washington (1911), The Hague (1925), London (1934) and Lisbon (1958), and supplemented by the Additional Act of Stockholm (1967)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Agreement	Latest Act of the Agreement to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act (see, however, for some States, the Additional Act of Stockholm)		Date on which State became party to the Additional Act of Stockholm
Algeria	July 5, 1972	Lisbon:	July 5, 1972	July 5, 1972
Brazil	October 3, 1896	The Hague:	October 26, 1929	–
Bulgaria	August 12, 1975	Lisbon:	August 12, 1975	August 12, 1975
Cuba	January 1, 1905	Lisbon:	October 11, 1964	October 7, 1980
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Lisbon:	January 1, 1993	January 1, 1993
Dominican Republic	April 6, 1951	The Hague:	April 6, 1951	–
Egypt	July 1, 1952	Lisbon:	March 6, 1975	March 6, 1975
France[1]	July 15, 1892	Lisbon:	June 1, 1963	August 12, 1975
Germany	June 12, 1925	Lisbon:	June 1, 1963	September 19, 1970
Hungary	June 5, 1934	Lisbon:	March 23, 1967	April 26, 1970
Ireland	December 4, 1925	Lisbon:	June 9, 1967	April 26, 1970
Israel	March 24, 1950	Lisbon:	July 2, 1967	April 26, 1970
Italy	March 5, 1951	Lisbon:	December 29, 1968	April 24, 1977
Japan	July 8, 1953	Lisbon:	August 21, 1965	April 24, 1975
Lebanon	September 1, 1924	London:	September 30, 1947	–
Liechtenstein	July 14, 1933	Lisbon:	April 10, 1972	May 25, 1972
Monaco	April 29, 1956	Lisbon:	June 1, 1963	October 4, 1975
Morocco	July 30, 1917	Lisbon:	May 15, 1967	–
New Zealand	July 29, 1931	London:	May 17,1947	–
Poland	December 10, 1928	The Hague:	December 10, 1928	–
Portugal	October 31, 1893	London:	November 7, 1949	–
San Marino	September 25, 1960	Lisbon:	June 26, 1991	June 26, 1991
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	Lisbon:	January 1, 1993	January 1, 1993
Spain	July 15, 1892	Lisbon:	August 14, 1973	August 14, 1973
Sri Lanka	December 29, 1952	London:	December 29, 1952	–
Sweden	January 1, 1934	Lisbon:	October 3, 1969	April 26, 1970
Switzerland	July 15, 1892	Lisbon:	June 1, 1963	April 26, 1970
Syria	September 1, 1924	London:	September 30, 1947	–
Tunisia	July 15, 1892	London:	October 4, 1942	–
Turkey	August 21, 1930	London:	June 27, 1957	–
United Kingdom	July 15, 1892	Lisbon:	June 1, 1963	April 26, 1970

(Total: 31 States)

[1] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Israel	March 24, 1950	Brussels:	August 1, 1951
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: January 29 or February 26, 1970[12]
Italy	December 5, 1887	Paris:	November 14, 1979
Jamaica	January 1, 1994	Paris:	January 1, 1994
Japan	July 15, 1899	Paris:	April 24, 1975
Kenya	June 11, 1993	Paris:	June 11, 1993
Latvia	August 11, 1995[13]	Paris:	August 11, 1995
Lebanon	September 30, 1947	Rome:	September 30, 1947
Lesotho	September 28, 1989	Paris:	September 28, 1989[2]
Liberia	March 8, 1989	Paris:	March 8, 1989[2]
Libya	September 28, 1976	Paris:	September 28, 1976[2]
Liechtenstein	July 30, 1931	Brussels:	August 1, 1951
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: May 25, 1972
Lithuania	December 14, 1994	Paris:	December 14, 1994[4]
Luxembourg	June 20, 1888	Paris:	April 20, 1975
Madagascar	January 1, 1966	Brussels:	January 1, 1966
Malawi	October 12, 1991	Paris:	October 12, 1991
Malaysia	October 1, 1990	Paris:	October 1, 1990
Mali	March 19, 1962[3]	Paris:	December 5, 1977
Malta	September 21, 1964	Rome:	September 21, 1964
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 12, 1977[2]
Mauritania	February 6, 1973	Paris:	September 21, 1976
Mauritius	May 10, 1989	Paris:	May 10, 1989[2]
Mexico	June 11, 1967	Paris:	December 17, 1974
Monaco	May 30, 1889	Paris:	November 23, 1974
Morocco	June 16, 1917	Paris:	May 17, 1987
Namibia	March 21, 1990	Paris:	December 24, 1993
Netherlands	November 1, 1912	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: January 30, 1986[14]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: January 10, 1975[15]
New Zealand	April 24, 1928	Rome:	December 4, 1947
Niger	May 2, 1962[3]	Paris:	May 21, 1975
Nigeria	September 14, 1993	Paris:	September 14, 1993
Norway	April 13, 1896	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 11, 1995[9]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: June 13, 1974
Pakistan	July 5, 1948	Rome:	July 5, 1948[6]
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: January 29 or February 26, 1970[12]
Paraguay	January 2, 1992	Paris:	January 2, 1992
Peru	August 20, 1988	Paris:	August 20, 1988
Philippines	August 1, 1951	Brussels:	August 1, 1951
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: July 16, 1980
Poland	January 28, 1920	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 22, 1994
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: August 4, 1990
Portugal	March 29, 1911	Paris:	January 12, 1979[16]
Republic of Moldova	November 2, 1995	Paris:	November 2, 1995
Romania	January 1, 1927	Rome:	August 6, 1936[6]
		Stockholm,	Articles 22 to 38: January 29 or February 26, 1970[2,12]
Russian Federation	March 13, 1995	Paris:	March 13, 1995
Rwanda	March 1, 1984	Paris:	March 1, 1984
Saint Kitts and Nevis	April 9, 1995	Paris:	April 9, 1995
Saint Lucia	August 24, 1993	Paris:	August 24, 1993[2]
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	August 29, 1995	Paris:	August 29, 1995
Senegal	August 25, 1962	Paris:	August 12, 1975
Slovakia	January 1, 1993	Paris:	January 1, 1993
Slovenia	June 25, 1991	Paris:	June 25, 1991[4]
South Africa	October 3, 1928	Brussels:	August 1, 1951
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: March 24, 1975[2]
Spain	December 5, 1887	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: February 19, 1974
Sri Lanka	July 20, 1959[3]	Rome:	July 20, 1959
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: September 23, 1978
Suriname	February 23, 1977	Paris:	February 23, 1977
Sweden	August 1, 1904	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: October 10, 1974
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: September 20, 1973
Switzerland	December 5, 1887	Paris:	September 25, 1993
Thailand	July 17, 1931	Paris,	Articles 1 to 21: September 2, 1995[17]
		Paris,	Articles 22 to 38: December 29, 1980[2]
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991	Paris:	September 8, 1991[4]
Togo	April 30, 1975	Paris:	April 30, 1975
Trinidad and Tobago	August 16, 1988	Paris:	August 16, 1988
Tunisia	December 5, 1887	Paris:	August 16, 1975[2]
Turkey	January 1, 1952	Paris:	January 1, 1996
Ukraine	October 25, 1995	Paris:	October 25, 1995
United Kingdom	December 5, 1887	Paris:	January 2, 1990[9,18]
United Republic of Tanzania	July 25, 1994	Paris:	July 25, 1994[2]
United States of America	March 1, 1989	Paris:	March 1, 1989

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Switzerland	July 7, 1884	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
Syria	September 1, 1924	London:	September 30, 1947
Tajikistan	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	September 8, 1991	Stockholm:	September 8, 1991
Togo	September 10, 1967	Stockholm:	April 30, 1975
Trinidad and Tobago	August 1, 1964	Stockholm:	August 16, 1988
Tunisia	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	April 12, 1976[2]
Turkey	October 10, 1925	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: February 1, 1995
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: May 16, 1976
Turkmenistan	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Uganda	June 14, 1965	Stockholm:	October 20, 1973
Ukraine	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
United Kingdom[11]	July 7, 1884	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
United Republic of Tanzania	June 16, 1963	Lisbon:	June 16, 1963
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: December 30, 1983
United States of America[12]	May 30, 1887	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: August 25, 1973
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: September 5, 1970
Uruguay	March 18, 1967	Stockholm:	December 28, 1979
Uzbekistan	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Venezuela	September 12, 1995	Stockholm:	September 12, 1995
Viet Nam	March 8, 1949	Stockholm:	July 2, 1976[2]
Yugoslavia	February 26, 1921	Stockholm:	October 16, 1973
Zaire	January 31, 1975	Stockholm:	January 31, 1975
Zambia	April 6, 1965	Lisbon:	April 6, 1965
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: May 14, 1977
Zimbabwe	April 18, 1980	Stockholm:	December 30, 1981

(Total: 136 States)

[1] "Stockholm" means the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property as revised at Stockholm on July 14, 1967 (Stockholm Act); "Lisbon" means the Paris Convention as revised at Lisbon on October 31, 1958 (Lisbon Act); "London" means the Paris Convention as revised at London on June 2, 1934 (London Act); "The Hague" means the Paris Convention as revised at The Hague on November 6, 1925 (Hague Act).

[2] With the declaration provided for in Article 28(2) of the Stockholm Act relating to the International Court of Justice.

[3] These are the alternative dates of entry into force which the Director General of WIPO communicated to the States concerned.

[4] Denmark extended the application of the Stockholm Act to the Faroe Islands with effect from August 6, 1971.

[5] Estonia acceded to the Paris Convention (Washington Act, 1911) with effect from February 12, 1924. It lost its independence on August 6, 1940, and regained it on August 20, 1991.

[6] Including all Overseas Departments and Territories.

[7] Latvia acceded to the Paris Convention (Washington Act, 1911) with effect from August 20, 1925. It lost its independence on July 21, 1940, and regained it on August 21, 1991.

[8] Ratification for the Kingdom in Europe, the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba.

[9] The accession of New Zealand to the Stockholm Act, with the exception of Articles 1 to 12, extends to the Cook Islands, Niue and Tokelau.

[10] Date of adherence of the Soviet Union, continued by the Russian Federation as from December 25, 1991.

[11] The United Kingdom extended the application of the Stockholm Act to the territory of Hong Kong with effect from November 16, 1977, and to the Isle of Man with effect from October 29, 1983.

[12] The United States of America extended the application of the Stockholm Act to all territories and possessions of the United States of America, including the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, as from August 25, 1973.

2. Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property

Paris Convention (1883), revised at Brussels (1900), Washington (1911), The Hague (1925), London (1934), Lisbon (1958) and Stockholm (1967), and amended in 1979

(Paris Union)

Status on January 1, 1996

State	Date on which State became party to the Convention	Latest Act[1] of the Convention to which State is party and date on which State became party to that Act	
Albania	October 4, 1995	Stockholm:	October 4, 1995
Algeria	March 1, 1966	Stockholm:	April 20, 1975[2]
Argentina	February 10, 1967	Lisbon:	February 10, 1967
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: October 8, 1980
Armenia	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Australia	October 10, 1925	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: September 27, 1975
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: August 25, 1972
Austria	January 1, 1909	Stockholm:	August 18, 1973
Azerbaijan	December 25, 1995	Stockholm:	December 25, 1995
Bahamas	July 10, 1973	Lisbon:	July 10, 1973
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: March 10, 1977
Bangladesh	March 3, 1991	Stockholm:	March 3, 1991[2]
Barbados	March 12, 1985	Stockholm:	March 12, 1985
Belarus	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Belgium	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	February 12, 1975
Benin	January 10, 1967	Stockholm:	March 12, 1975
Bolivia	November 4, 1993	Stockholm:	November 4, 1993
Bosnia and Herzegovina	March 6, 1992	Stockholm:	March 6, 1992
Brazil	July 7, 1884	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: November 24, 1992
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: March 24, 1975[2]
Bulgaria	June 13, 1921	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: May 19 or 27, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: May 27, 1970
Burkina Faso	November 19, 1963	Stockholm:	September 2, 1975
Burundi	September 3, 1977	Stockholm:	September 3, 1977
Cameroon	May 10, 1964	Stockholm:	April 20, 1975
Canada	June 12, 1925	London:	July 30, 1951
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: July 7, 1970
Central African Republic	November 19, 1963	Stockholm:	September 5, 1978
Chad	November 19, 1963	Stockholm:	September 26, 1970
Chile	June 14, 1991	Stockholm:	June 14, 1991
China	March 19, 1985	Stockholm:	March 19, 1985[2]
Congo	September 2, 1963	Stockholm:	December 5, 1975
Costa Rica	October 31, 1995	Stockholm:	October 31, 1995
Côte d'Ivoire	October 23, 1963	Stockholm:	May 4, 1974
Croatia	October 8, 1991	Stockholm:	October 8, 1991
Cuba	November 17, 1904	Stockholm:	April 8, 1975[2]
Cyprus	January 17, 1966	Stockholm:	April 3, 1984
Czech Republic	January 1, 1993	Stockholm:	January 1, 1993
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	June 10, 1980	Stockholm:	June 10, 1980
Denmark[4]	October 1, 1894	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970
Dominican Republic	July 11, 1890	The Hague:	April 6, 1951
Egypt	July 1, 1951	Stockholm:	March 6, 1975[2]
El Salvador	February 19, 1994	Stockholm:	February 19, 1994
Estonia	August 24, 1994[5]	Stockholm:	August 24, 1994
Finland	September 20, 1921	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: October 21, 1975
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: September 15, 1970
France[6]	July 7, 1884	Stockholm:	August 12, 1975
Gabon	February 29, 1964	Stockholm:	June 10, 1975
Gambia	January 21, 1992	Stockholm:	January 21, 1992
Georgia	December 25, 1991	Stockholm:	December 25, 1991[2]
Germany	May 1, 1903	Stockholm:	September 19, 1970
Ghana	September 28, 1976	Stockholm:	September 28, 1976
Greece	October 2, 1924	Stockholm:	July 15, 1976
Guinea	February 5, 1982	Stockholm:	February 5, 1982
Guinea-Bissau	June 28, 1988	Stockholm:	June 28, 1988
Guyana	October 25, 1994	Stockholm:	October 25, 1994
Haiti	July 1, 1958	Stockholm:	November 3, 1983
Holy See	September 29, 1960	Stockholm:	April 24, 1975
Honduras	February 4, 1994	Stockholm:	February 4, 1994
Hungary	January 1, 1909	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 26 or May 19, 1970[3]
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: April 26, 1970[2]
Iceland	May 5, 1962	Stockholm,	Articles 1 to 12: April 9, 1995
		Stockholm,	Articles 13 to 30: December 28, 1984

State	Date on which State became member of WIPO	Member also of Paris Union (P) and/or Berne Union (B)[1]	
Guinea	November 13, 1980	P	B
Guinea-Bissau	June 28, 1988	P	B
Guyana	October 25, 1994	P	B
Haiti	November 2, 1983	P	B
Holy See	April 20, 1975	P	B
Honduras	November 15, 1983	P	B
Hungary	April 26, 1970	P	B
Iceland	September 13, 1986	P	B
India	May 1, 1975	–	B
Indonesia	December 18, 1979	P	–
Iraq	January 21, 1976	P	–
Ireland	April 26, 1970	P	B
Israel	April 26, 1970	P	B
Italy	April 20, 1977	P	B
Jamaica	December 25, 1978	–	B
Japan	April 20, 1975	P	B
Jordan	July 12, 1972	P	–
Kazakstan	December 25, 1991	P	–
Kenya	October 5, 1971	P	B
Kyrgyzstan	December 25, 1991	P	–
Laos	January 17, 1995	–	–
Latvia	January 21, 1993	P	B
Lebanon	December 30, 1986	P	B
Lesotho	November 18, 1986	P	B
Liberia	March 8, 1989	P	B
Libya	September 28, 1976	P	B
Liechtenstein	May 21, 1972	P	B
Lithuania	April 30, 1992	P	B
Luxembourg	March 19, 1975	P	B
Madagascar	December 22, 1989	P	B
Malawi	June 11, 1970	P	B
Malaysia	January 1, 1989	P	B
Mali	August 14, 1982	P	B
Malta	December 7, 1977	P	B
Mauritania	September 17, 1976	P	B
Mauritius	September 21, 1976	P	B
Mexico	June 14, 1975	P	B
Monaco	March 3, 1975	P	B
Mongolia	February 28, 1979	P	–
Morocco	July 27, 1971	P	B
Namibia	December 23, 1991	–	B
Netherlands	January 9, 1975	P	B
New Zealand	June 20, 1984	P	B
Nicaragua	May 5, 1985	–	–
Niger	May 18, 1975	P	B
Nigeria	April 9, 1995	P	B
Norway	June 8, 1974	P	B
Pakistan	January 6, 1977	–	B
Panama	September 17, 1983	–	–
Paraguay	June 20, 1987	P	B
Peru	September 4, 1980	P	B
Philippines	July 14, 1980	P	B
Poland	March 23, 1975	P	B
Portugal	April 27, 1975	P	B
Qatar	September 3, 1976	–	–
Republic of Korea	March 1, 1979	P	–
Republic of Moldova	December 25, 1991	P	B
Romania	April 26, 1970	P	B
Russian Federation	April 26, 1970[2]	P	B
Rwanda	February 3, 1984	P	B
Saint Kitts and Nevis	November 16, 1995	P	B
Saint Lucia	August 21, 1993	P	B
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	August 29, 1995	P	B
San Marino	June 26, 1991	P	–

[Schedule of Fees applicable from January 1, 1996]

SCHEDULE OF FEES

Fees		Amounts
1.	Basic Fee: (Rule 15.2(a))	
	(a) if the international application contains not more than 30 sheets	762 Swiss francs
	(b) if the international application contains more than 30 sheets	762 Swiss francs plus 15 Swiss francs for each sheet in excess of 30 sheets
2.	Designation Fee: (Rule 15.2(a))	
	(a) for designations made under Rule 4.9(a)	185 Swiss francs per designation, provided that any designation made under Rule 4.9(a) in excess of 11 shall not require the payment of a designation fee
	(b) for designations made under Rule 4.9(b) and confirmed under Rule 4.9(c)	185 Swiss francs per designation
3.	Confirmation Fee: (Rule 15.5(a))	50% of the sum of the designation fees payable under item 2(b)
4.	Handling Fee: (Rule 57.2(a))	233 Swiss francs

All fees are reduced by 75% for international applications filed by any applicant who is a natural person and who is a national of and resides in a State whose per capita national income is below US$3,000 (according to the average per capita national income figures used by the United Nations for determining its scale of assessments for the contributions payable for the years 1995, 1996 and 1997); if there are several applicants, each must satisfy those criteria.