

## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA - BA

### Jurisdiction - General Information

Bosnia and Herzegovina has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since March 1, 1992. It is a member of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since September 7, 1996. In addition, it is also a party to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure and the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

Bosnia and Herzegovina is not a member of the European Patent Organization ([EPO](#)), but it signed a Co-operation and Extension Agreement with the EPO on December 1, 2004 which allows extension of European patent applications and patents to Bosnia and Herzegovina. Further information about the extension of European Patents to Bosnia and Herzegovina can be obtained at this [link](#).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Bosnia and Herzegovina can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

### Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Bosnia and Herzegovina does not have an **Online Register**. It has an [Online Gazette](#).

A separate gazette is published reporting the European Patents extended to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

For further enquiries, please contact the relevant authority as indicated in the [WIPO Directory](#).

### Features and search functionalities

The Online Gazette is published every three months and includes information in Bosnian, Croatian and Serbian, with an index available in English. Its coverage is from 2008 to present.

### Additional Information

#### Particularities of patent protection in Bosnia and Herzegovina

According to Patent Law (Art. 38.) within six months from the date of publication of a patent application in the Official Gazette, the applicant may file a request for: a) the grant of patent by means of carrying out substantive examination of the patent application or b) the grant of patent on the basis of submitted results of the substantive examination of the patent application, as accepted, c) the deferment of the procedure of the substantive examination of the patent application and the grant of consensual patent.

**Supplementary Protection Certificate (SPCs)** are provided by the law.

#### Search tips

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