LUXEMBOURG - LU

Jurisdiction - General Information

Luxembourg has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since June 30, 1922. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since April 30, 1978. In addition, it is 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).

Luxembourg is a member of the European Patent Organization (EPO) and belongs to the "European patents with unitary effect" system, started on June 1, 2023, which provides a unitary effect for an European patent (EP) granted in 17 of the 27 European Union member countries (updated January 2024).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Luxembourg can be found on WIPO Lex.

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Luxembourg has an **Online Register**. It does not have an **Online Gazette**.

Features and search functionalities

The Online Register has an **English**, **French**, and **German interface**.

Through the Online Register you can retrieve information on Fee Payment, Legal Status, Supplementary Protection Certificates (SPCs), and access the Dossier/File Wrapper Information and the Full Publications.

The Online Register can also be searched by **Applicant/Inventor Name**, and by **Priority Data**.

European patents designating Luxembourg can be searched in the online register or in the <u>European Patent Register</u>.

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Luxembourg

Protection through **SPCs** is available.

In the framework of the Benelux Office for Intellectual Property, the national intellectual property offices of Belgium, the Netherlands, and Luxembourg have developed a common IT system, the Benelux Patent Platform (BPP), to modernize and support all patent related business processes for the three national offices.

While the three national offices are adopting a shared IT system and have made an effort to harmonize their business processes and legal procedures to a large extent, they continue to conduct their work at a national level for patent protection.

Search tips

An example of **Legal Status** is "Lapsed" for national patent no. LU100548.

To access **Dossier/File Wrapper Information**, see the tab "Documents" of the bibliographic record for the applications filed since January 1, 2017.

The **Full Publications** are available in the tab "Documents" of the bibliographic record for applications filed since January 1, 2017, otherwise through a link to Espacenet.

European patents designating Luxembourg can be searched in the online register by selecting the box "European Patent Granted for LU".

Search by **PCT Application/Publication Number** is not allowed but it is possible to search by "WO Publication Date".