

CAMEROON (CM)



I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation

a. Industrial Property

Capital: Yaoundé
Population: 15,198,000

Patents:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex I), as last amended in February 1999.

Trade Marks:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex III), as last amended in February 1999.

Industrial Designs:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex IV), as last amended in February 1999.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Law No. 2000/011 on Copyright and Related Rights, December 2000.

Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Utility Models:

As above, under Industrial Designs.

Appellations of Origin / Geographical Indications / Indications of Source:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex VI), as last amended in February 1999.

Protection of Undisclosed Information:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex VIII), as last amended in February 1999.

Layout Designs (Topographics) of Integrated Circuits:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977 (Annex IX), as last amended in February 1999.

Enforcement:

- Bangui Agreement, March 1977, as last amended in February 1999.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Information not available.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since November 1973.

- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since May 1964.
 - Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since September 1964.
 - PCT (Patents), since January 1978.
- b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since December 1995.
- c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: OAPI, UCC
- Member of OAPI since January 1978.
 - Member of UCC since February 1973.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

*Ministère du développement industriel
et commercial*
Ministry of Industrial & Commercial
Development
P.O. Box 1604
Yaoundé
Title of Head: Minister of State for Industrial
and Commercial Development

Tel.: (237) 222.25.12
Fax: (237) 222.27.04
(Minister's Office)

Industrial Property Office:

Industrial Property Service
Directorate of Industrial & Handicraft
Development
Ministry of Industrial & Commercial Development
As above, under Supervisory Ministry.
Titles of Heads: Director of Industrial Development
and Handicrafts
Deputy Director of Industrial Property Service

Tel.: (237) 223.13.35
(Head, I.P. Service)
223.26.37
(Director for Industrial
Development & Handicraft)

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministère de la culture
Ministry of Culture
P.O. Box 6171
Yaoundé
Title of Head: Minister for Culture

Fax: (237) 220.59.57

Copyright Office:

Cellule Juridique
Ministry of Culture
As above, under Supervisory Ministry
Title of Head: Responsable

Collective Management Societies:

Information not available.

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

Information not available.

Copyright Tribunal

Information not available.

Other

Information not available.

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information not available.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2002:

	Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	residents		
	non-residents	Information not available.	
Grants to:	residents		
	non-residents		

PCT – Information not available.

Applications by residents and non-residents:

Grants to residents and non-residents: