

GABON (GA)



I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation

a. Industrial Property

Capital: Libreville
Population: 1,261,000

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 (Annexes II and IV), as last amended in February 1999.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Copyright Law No. 1/87, July 1987 (on Protection of Copyright and Neighboring Rights).

Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Information not available.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

National Industrial Property Service and Liaison
with OAPI
As below, under Industrial Property Office.

National Agency for Artistic and Cultural
Promotion (ANPAC)
As below, under Copyright Office.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since June 1975.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since February 1964.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since March 1962.
- PCT (Patents), since January 1978.
- Hague Agreement (International Deposit of Industrial Designs), since August 2003
- Lisbon Agreement (Appellations of Origin), since June 1975.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since March 2002.

- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since May 2002.
- b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since January 1995.
- c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: OAPI.
 - Member of OAPI since January 1978.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Ministère du Commerce, du Développement industriel chargé de l'Intégration régionale</i>	Tel.:	(241)	76.34.21 76.38.97
Ministry of Trade and Industry, dealing with Regional Integration	Fax:	(241)	74.59.78
1190, Boulevard de l'indépendance			
<i>Titles of Head:</i> Minister for Trade and Industry, dealing with Regional Integration			

Mailing Address:

P.O. Box 237
Libreville

Industrial Property Office:

<i>Centre de Propriété Industrielle du Gabon (CEPIG)</i>	Tel.:	(241)	74.59.24 74.59.21
Center of Industrial Property of Gabon (CEPIG)	Fax:	(241)	76.30.55
As above, under Supervisory Ministry.	E-mail:		cepig@assala.com
<i>Title of Head:</i> Director General			

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Ministère de la Culture, des Arts, de l'Education populaire, de la Jeunesse et des Sports</i>	Tel.:	(241)	76.32.33
Ministry of Culture, the Arts, People's Education Youth and Sports	E-mail:		ona@inet.ga
Office of the Minister			
P.O. Box 2151			
Libreville			
<i>Titles of Heads:</i> Minister for Culture, the Arts, People's Education, Youth and Sports Director of Cabinet			

Copyright Office:

<i>Agence Nationale de Promotion Artistique et Culturelle (ANPAC)</i>	Tel.:	(241)	76.05.65
National Agency for Artistic and Cultural Promotion (ANPAC)			76.05.64

Ministry of Culture, the Arts, People's Education, Youth and Sports
As above, under Supervisory Ministry.
Title of Head: Director General

Collective Management Societies:

Information not available.

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTYIndustrial 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		
Grants to:	residents		
	non-residents		

Information not available.

PCT – Information not available.

Applications by residents and non-residents:

Grants to residents and non-residents: