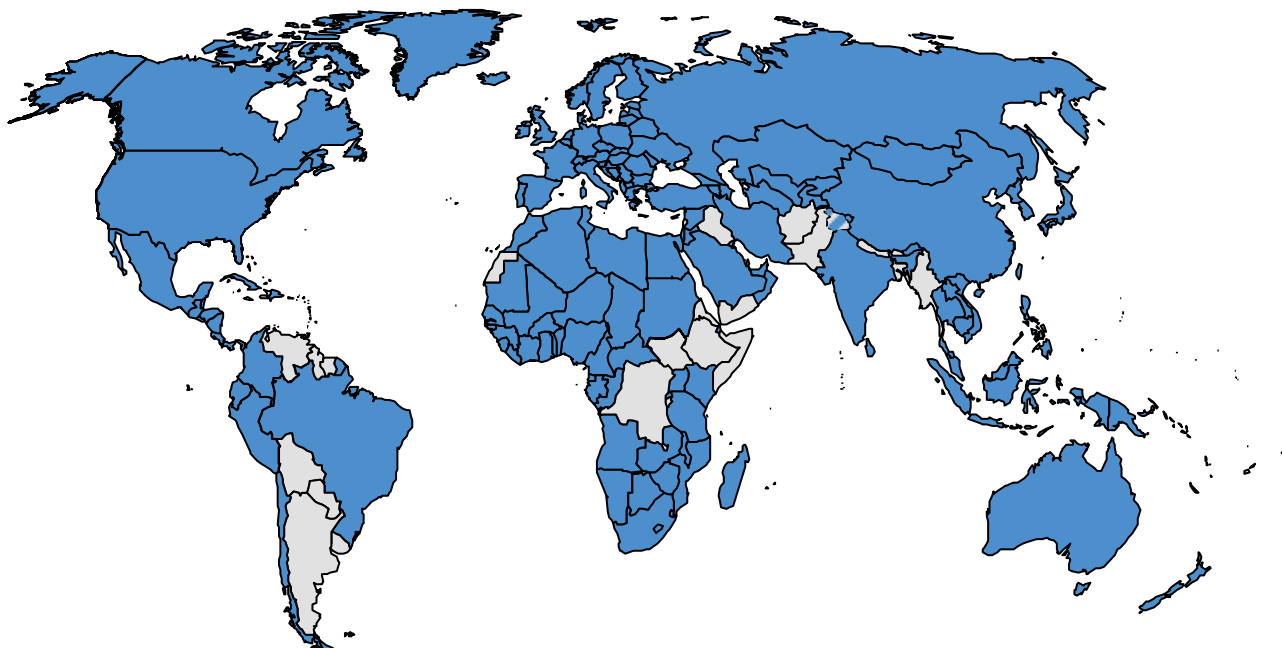


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<sup>3</sup> Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 March 2018.

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible.

<sup>5</sup> Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 November 2015.

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