### Information on Contracting States

#### SLOVAKIA

**General information**

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**Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?**

- Yes, by facsimile machine

**Which kinds of documents may be so transmitted?**

- All kinds of documents

**Must the original of the document be furnished in all cases?**

- Yes, within 14 days from the date of the transmission, if the transmitted document is the international application or a replacement sheet containing corrections or amendments of the international application
- No, only upon invitation in the case of other documents

**Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?**

- No

**Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Slovakia:**

- Industrial Property Office (Slovakia), European Patent Office (EPO) or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)

**Competent designated (or elected) Office if Slovakia is designated (or elected):**

- National protection: Industrial Property Office (Slovakia) (see National Phase)
- European patent: European Patent Office (EPO) (see National Phase)

**May Slovakia be elected?**

- Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)

**Types of protection available via the PCT:**

- National: Patents, utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of or in addition to a national patent)
- European: Patents

**Provisions of the law of Slovakia concerning international-type search:**

- None

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Provisional protection after international publication:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent:
Under Sections 13(2) and 15(2) of the Patent Law, the applicant is entitled to appropriate remuneration only after publication of the international application in the Slovak language.

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent:
(1) International application published in one of the EPO official languages: compensation reasonable in the circumstances, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation into Slovak of the claims in the application have been met (see Section 60 of the Patent Law), and upon grant of the patent. Protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent.
(2) International application published in a language which is not an EPO official language: the protection referred to in (1) does not become effective until the EPO publishes the international application supplied to it in one of its official languages.

Information of interest if Slovakia is designated (or elected)

For national protection

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Slovakia is designated (or elected):

Must be in the request. If the data concerning the inventor are missing at the expiration of the time limit under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?

Yes (see Annex L)


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