

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Accession to the Geneva Act: Eurasian Patent Organization

1. On July 10, 2026, the Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO) deposited with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) its instrument of accession to the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs ("Geneva Act").

2. The instrument of accession was accompanied by the following declarations under the Geneva Act and the Regulations Under the Geneva Act (1999) of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs ("Regulations"):

- the declaration referred to in Article 7(2) of the Geneva Act and Rule 12(3) of the Regulations, whereby, in connection with an international application in which EAPO is designated, and in connection with the renewal of any international registration resulting from such an international application, the prescribed designation fee shall be replaced by an individual designation fee. The declaration further specifies that the individual designation fee to be paid comprises two parts, the first part to be paid at the time of filing of the international application and the second part to be paid upon notice of allowance issued by EAPO. The amount of the individual designation fee will be the subject of a further Information Notice;
- the declaration referred to in Article 11(1)(b) of the Geneva Act, that the legislation of EAPO does not provide for the deferment of the publication of an industrial design;
- the declaration referred to in Article 16(2) of the Geneva Act, whereby the recording of a change in ownership of an international registration in the International Register shall not have effect in EAPO until the Eurasian Patent Office has received the documents supporting the change in ownership;
- the declaration required under Article 17(3)(c) of the Geneva Act, specifying that the maximum duration of protection provided for by the legislation of EAPO in respect of industrial designs is 25 years;
- the declaration referred to in Rule 13(4) of the Regulations, notifying that the period of one month referred to in paragraph (3) of the said Rule for forwarding an international application filed through the Eurasian Patent Office shall be replaced by a period of six months, due to security clearance;

- the declaration referred to in Rule 18(1)(b) of the Regulations, whereby the prescribed period of six months for notifying a refusal of the effects of an international registration is replaced by a period of 12 months; and
 - the declaration referred to in Rule 18(1)(c)(i) of the Regulations, whereby the international registration shall produce the effects referred to in Article 14(2)(a) of the Geneva Act from the date when the Eurasian Patent Office notifies the International Bureau of WIPO of the grant of protection, which shall be within six months from the date of expiration of the refusal period.
3. In accordance with Article 28(3)(b) of the Geneva Act, the Geneva Act and the declarations will enter into force with respect to EAPO on October 10, 2026.
4. The accession by EAPO to the Geneva Act brings the number of Contracting Parties to this Act to 78 and the total number of Contracting Parties to the Hague Agreement to 84. A list of the Contracting Parties to the Hague Agreement is available on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/treaties/docs-en-hague.pdf>.

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