Update – Selected Developments:

WIPO Lisbon System & The Geneva Act

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LISBON Geneva Act: Key dates and figures

2015: Adoption

2020: Entry into force

2023: 56 countries covered!!
The Geneva Act: What’s New?

- Open to Intergovernmental Organizations +Global
- Flexibility on national GI systems +Inclusive
- Strong protection +Effective
- Safeguards +Modern
The Lisbon System

- Accessible
- Convenient
- Effective
- Global
Lisbon is Accessible

Single registration with WIPO

Without Lisbon

With Lisbon

- One application, one language, one set of fees
- Protection in Lisbon countries
- Centralized management of your GI right
Lisbon is Convenient

- International protection with 
  one registration

- The only international GI register

- Covers all kinds of products

TSINDALI
(Georgia)

CHULUCANAS
(Peru)

IRAN'S KORDESTAN MARBLE (AO1105 / Iran)
Lisbon is Effective

- High level protection
- Unlimited in time (no renewal fee)
- Protection against genericness
- Increased global reputation
Lisbon is Global

+70 countries overall  (Status: May 2023)

Recent accessions: Cambodia, Côte d’Ivoire, European Union (27), Ghana, Lao PDR, OAPI (17), Oman, Peru, Russian Federation, Switzerland

And more to come…
Accessions Outlook...
Lisbon is Easy

- **One condition to apply:** prior domestic protection in contracting party of origin *(based on any system)*

- **WIPO notifies new AOs/GIs to all members**

- **Each member can refuse protection** *(within one year)*
With a Single Registration at WIPO already protection in more than 70 countries under the Lisbon System and more to come…
Lisbon Working Group – development of the Lisbon System

- Simplify and streamline the procedures under the Lisbon System
- Providing greater clarity to the users of the Lisbon System
eLisbon: the future of GIs

eLISBON FOR COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

DISCOVER eLISBON

eLISBON SERVICES

FILE YOUR APPLICATIONS
Smartly file an application online anytime, anywhere

Get started

MANAGE YOUR REGISTRATIONS
Manage your international registrations electronically

Get started

MONITOR ALL REGISTRATIONS
Online access to records & transactions relating to registrations of other Contracting Parties

Get started

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eLisbon in practice.....
SCT: Questionnaires

- National and Regional Systems that can provide a certain protection to GIs

- Use/Misuse of GIs, Country Names and Geographical Terms on the Internet and in the DNS
### WIPO’s GIs Information Database

**SCT GEOGRAPHICAL INDICATIONS INFORMATION DATABASE**

This database contains information provided by Members of WIPO’s Standing Committee on the Law of Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (SCT) to the Questionnaires on the National and Regional Systems that can Provide a Certain Protection to Geographical Indications (SCT/40/5) and on the Use/Misuse of Geographical Indications, Country Names and Geographical Terms on the Internet and in the DNS (SCT/40/6).

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SCT Info sessions on GIs: topics (2020-22)

- Genericness
- GIs in the Domain Name System (DNS)
- Identity, similarity and imitation between GIs and trademarks
- Examination of GIs
- GI protection for services / for non-agricultural goods
More information on the Lisbon System

More information on the Lisbon System: www.wipo.int/lisbon
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