

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA - BA

Jurisdiction - General Information

Bosnia and Herzegovina has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since March 1, 1992. It is a member of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since September 7, 1996. It is a party to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure since January 27, 2009 and the Patent Law Treaty (PLT) since May 9, 2012.

Bosnia and Herzegovina is not a member of the European Patent Organization (EPO), but it signed a Co-operation and Extension Agreement with the EPO on December 1, 2004 which allows extension of European patent applications and patents to Bosnia and Herzegovina. Further information about the extension of European Patents to Bosnia and Herzegovina can be obtained at this [link](#).

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Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

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Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Bosnia and Herzegovina

According to Patent Law (Art. 38.) within six months from the date of publication of a patent application in the Official Gazette, the applicant may file a request for: a) the grant of patent by means of carrying out substantive examination of the patent application or b) the grant of patent on the basis of submitted results of the substantive examination of the patent application, as accepted, c) the deferment of the procedure of the substantive examination of the patent application and the grant of consensual patent.

Supplementary Protection Certificate (Art. 58.) may be granted where a basic patent has been granted for medicinal products intended for humans or animals or for a plant protection product, the marketing of which require prior authorization of the competent authority. The certificate shall be granted at the request of the holder of a basic patent, if the following conditions are fulfilled on the day of filing the application for the grant of the certificate: a) a medicinal product intended for humans or animals or a plant protection product is protected by a basic patent in force, b) a marketing authorization has been issued for a medicinal product intended for humans or animals or a plant protection product and it is valid, c) a basic patent for a medicinal product intended for humans or animals or a plant protection

product has not already been the subject of the certificate, d) the application for a basic patent was filed in Bosnia and Herzegovina after August 27, 2002, e) the first market authorization for a medicinal product intended for humans or animals or a plant protection product was issued after the date fixed for the application of Patent Law (January 1, 2011).

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