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Name of Office:	Registrar General's Office (Lesotho)
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Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	No
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)?	Yes
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Lesotho:	Registrar General's Office (Lesotho), ARIPO Office or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Lesotho is designated (or elected):	National protection: Registrar General's Office (Lesotho) (see National Phase) ARIPO protection: ARIPO Office (see National Phase)
May Lesotho be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	National: Patents, utility models ARIPO: Patents, utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of or in addition to an ARIPO patent)
Provisions of the law of Lesotho concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

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**Information of interest if Lesotho is designated (or elected)**

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**For national protection**

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

Must be in the request. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of receipt of the invitation.

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

No

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**For an ARIPO patent — See African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (AP) in Annex B2**

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