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All trademark news that you might have missed last month in one convenient overview. Read up on the latest news reported by the Kluwer IP Reporter.

Belize's trademark data now available on TMview

With effect from 26 February 2024, the Belize Intellectual Property Office (BELIPO) made its trade mark data available via TMview, an online search tool that allows users to access the databases of all participating trademark offices

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China enhances GI protection measures

To strengthen the accreditation, management and protection of Geographical Indication (GI) products, the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) introduced upgraded Measures for the Protection of GI products with effect from 1 February 2024

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European Parliament approves GI Regulation

On 28 February 2024, the European Parliament has given its final approval to the Regulation on Geographical Indications (GIs) for wine, spirit drinks and agricultural products, adopting it with 520 votes in favour, 19 against and 64 abstentions

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India bars sending of filing-related emails to Registrar

On 26 February 2024, the Controller General of Patents Designs & Trade Mark of the Government of India clarified that mailing of filing documents directly to the Registrar disrupts trademark proceedings and is not the prescribed mode of filing

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India introduces helpdesk to address queries from stakeholders

Aiming to enhance stakeholder engagement and service quality in intellectual property matters, the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademarks (CGPDTM) of the Government of India has introduced the Open House Helpdesk Portal, offering a communication window for addressing queries and grievances of stakeholders in a quick and efficient manner.

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Libya releases new requirements for trademark applications

Following the issuance of executive regulations No. 26 of 2024 for Chapter Ten of Law No. 23 of 2010 on Trademarks, the Libyan Trademark Office has introduced new regulations to amend the requirements for filing trademark applications in Libya.

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Macedonia adopts CP5 Common Practice

The State Office of Industrial Property of the Republic of North Macedonia (SOIP) has announced the implementation of the Common Practice of Relative Grounds of Refusal-Likelihood of Confusion (Impact of non-distinctive/weak components), generally referred to as CP5 Common Practice

Sudan reopens trademark office

After being closed for nearly ten months due to civil strife, the Sudanese Trademark Office resumed operations on 11 February 2024

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UAE introduces new Intellectual Property ecosystem

The Ministry of Economy of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) has introduced a new Intellectual Property Ecosystem, aimed at safeguarding the ideas of inventors and creators, attracting foreign investment, and advancing the country's transformation into a knowledge-based economy.

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Uganda revises trademark regulations

With effect from 2 February 2024, the Republic of Uganda introduced new trademark regulations, Trademark Regulations 85 of 2023, replacing the 2012 and 2021 Trademark Regulations

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