

# Kluwer Trademark Blog

## Trademark News: What you might have missed in April 2024

Kluwer IP Reporter · Wednesday, May 1st, 2024



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.

### **Australia implements Madrid Goods and Services list**

With effect from 26 March 2024 the Intellectual Property Office of Australia (IP Australia) transitioned from the current Trade Marks Goods and Services list (AU picklist) to the Madrid Goods and Services (MGS) list, a database widely used by the World Intellectual Property Agency (WIPO) and various other international trademark offices.

Read the full story [here](#)

### **Clarification on trademark protection in Jersey**

In March 2024 the Government of Jersey issued a clarification regarding trademark protection in the region, addressing confusion surrounding the issue.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **EUIPO releases CP13 Common Practice**

On 22 March 2024 the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) published the CP13 Common Practice relating to “Trade mark applications made in bad faith” via the Common Communication.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **EUIPO implements CP14 Common Practice**

On 19 April 2024, the European Union Intellectual Property Union (EUIPO) released the Common Practice CP14 (Trademarks contrary to public policy or to accepted principles of morality) to provide common understandings of morality, public policy and other related concepts with examples while outlining the criteria for assessing trademarks against these concepts

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Gambia joins Madrid e-Filing community**

On 5 March 2024 The Gambia launched the Madrid e-Filing system for its national applicants who want to protect their marks abroad under the Madrid Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks, thus becoming the 23rd intellectual property office to offer this facility.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **India holds special drive to clear pending trademark applications**

On 5 March 2024 the Indian Controller General of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks (CGPDTM) announced a “Special drive,” which will be conducted from 8 April to 25 April 2024, seeking to dispose of pending trademark applications that have long been awaiting show cause hearings and where service addresses/e-mail addresses have not been updated.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **India IP Office announces extension of timelines**

On 23 March 2024 the Indian Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs & Trade Marks (CGPDTM) issued a public notice announcing the extension of timelines for trademark-related e-services that were affected by the recent downtime due to maintenance activities.

---

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Individual fees under Madrid Protocol revised for Bahrain**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks, the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization on 28 March 2024 notified the revised individual fees applicable when Bahrain is designated in an international application or in an application for renewal of an international registration or is a subject of subsequent designation.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Individual fees under Madrid Protocol revised for Philippines**

In accordance with the provisions of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Agreement and Protocol Concerning the International Registration of Marks, the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization on 28 March 2024 notified the revised individual fees, in Swiss francs, payable when the Philippines is designated in an international application or in an application for renewal of international registration or is a subject of subsequent designation.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Iraq modifies trademark processing terms**

With effect from 4 April 2024, the Directorate of Trademarks, Patents, and Industrial Designs of Iraq introduced changes to the payment terms and submission requirements for trademark applications

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Lebanon reduces trademark protection period**

On 15 February 2024 Lebanon enacted its Budget Law No. 324, revising the structure of intellectual property rights and shortening the duration of trademark protection.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Madrid Protocol fees revised for Zambia**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Common Regulations under the Madrid Protocol Concerning the

---

International Registration of Marks, the World Intellectual Property Organization has published the revised individual fees applicable when Zambia is designated in an international application or in an application for renewal of international registration or is a subject of subsequent designation.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **New Zealand enacts changes to GI Act**

On 25 March 2024 the European Union Free Trade Agreement Legislation Amendment Bill, a bill to implement the provisions in the New Zealand-European Union Free Trade Agreement, received Royal assent, introducing significant amendments to the Geographical Indications (Wines and Spirits) Registration Act of 2006.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **New Zealand updates guidelines for using M?ori elements in trademarks**

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) has recently updated its trademarks practise guidelines to provide more information on how it reviews trademark applications containing M?ori elements.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **New Zealand updates trademark practice guidelines**

The Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) has recently revised its trade mark practice guidelines to address the inclusion of geographical indications (GIs) in trademark specifications.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Poland implements Common Tools Integration tool**

The Patent Office of the Republic of Poland has recently integrated the latest version of the Common Tools Integration (CTI) tool for trademarks, following its successful integration of the CTI tool for designs in 2022.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

---

### **Saudi Arabia adopts new trademark rejection policy**

The Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) has recently implemented a new method of handling rejected trademark applications.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Tanzania starts using HDB in TMclass**

On 11 March 2024 the Business Registrations and Licensing Agency of Tanzania (BRELA) joined TMclass, and started using and accepting the list of terms from the harmonised database of goods and services (HDB) in TMclass.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Trinidad and Tobago's trademark data now available on TMview**

On 15 April 2024, the Trinidad and Tobago Intellectual Property Office (TTIPO) made its trademark data available via TMview, an online search tool that allows users to access the databases of all participating trademark offices.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **Uganda hikes trademark publication fee**

The Ugandan Government Printer, which is responsible for publishing trademark applications in Uganda, has announced an increase in the trademark publication fee with immediate effect.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

### **USPTO publishes proposed trademark fee changes for 2025**

Aiming to enhance operational efficiency and support ongoing initiatives outlined in its 2022–2026 Strategic Plan, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has recently announced proposed amendments to the trademark fees for fiscal year 2025.

Read the full story [here](#)

---

To make sure you do not miss out on regular updates from the *Kluwer Trademark Blog*, please [subscribe here](#).

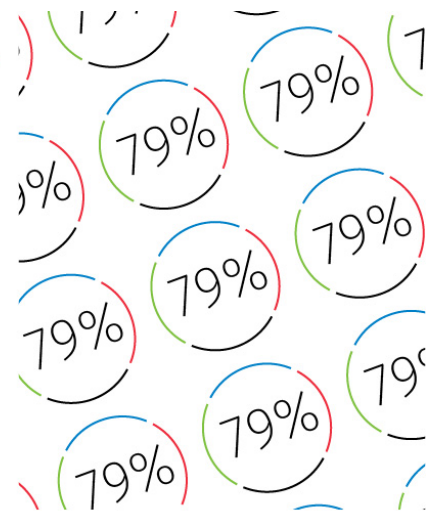
## Kluwer IP Law

The **2022 Future Ready Lawyer survey** showed that 79% of lawyers think that the importance of legal technology will increase for next year. With Kluwer IP Law you can navigate the increasingly global practice of IP law with specialized, local and cross-border information and tools from every preferred location. Are you, as an IP professional, ready for the future?

Learn how **Kluwer IP Law** can support you.

79% of the lawyers think that the importance of legal technology will increase for next year.

**Drive change with Kluwer IP Law.**  
The master resource for Intellectual Property rights and registration.



2022 SURVEY REPORT  
The Wolters Kluwer Future Ready Lawyer  
Leading change

This entry was posted on Wednesday, May 1st, 2024 at 2:24 pm and is filed under [News](#). You can follow any responses to this entry through the [Comments \(RSS\)](#) feed. You can leave a response, or [trackback](#) from your own site.