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Bahamas accedes to Trademark Law Treaty

On 3 June 2025, the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas acceded to the Trademark Law Treaty by depositing its instrument of accession with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization.

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Bahamas accedes to Vienna Agreement

On 3 June 2025, the Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas acceded to the Vienna Agreement Establishing an International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (the Vienna Agreement) by depositing its instrument of accession with the Director General of the World Intellectual Property Organization.

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Hong Kong revises rules to streamline IP registration and litigation

On 23 May 2025, the Hong Kong Government gazetted amendments to the Rules of the High Court and subsidiary legislation for patents, registered designs and trademarks, aiming to streamline intellectual property litigation and registration processes.

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Hong Kong updates personal information collection statement

On 16 May 2025, the Intellectual Property Department (IPD) of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government updated its Personal Information Collection Statement, with key revisions made to the sections on "Purposes of Collection" and "Classes of Transferees."

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Hungary increases IP office fees across all categories

New official fees set by the Hungarian Intellectual Property Office came into effect on 13 April 2025, raising charges for filings, renewals and other procedures.

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Indian IP office shifts official website to new domain

On 21 May 2025, the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs Trade Marks (CGPDTM) in India announced a change in its official website domain.

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Madrid Protocol fees revised for Kazakhstan

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 May 2025 announced the revised individual fees payable when Kazakhstan is designated in an international application or in an application for renewal of international registration or is a subject of subsequent designation.

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Mediation services extended for all EUIPO inter partes proceedings

On 2 June 2025, the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) extended its mediation services to cover all inter partes proceedings, including first and second instance EU trademark opposition and cancellation cases, as well as registered EU design invalidity matters

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New Zealand updates trademark practice guidelines

On 29 May 2025, the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ) updated its Conflicting Goods and Services List under the practice guidelines relating to identical or similar trademarks.

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UAE launches first federal Geographical Indications system

With an aim to safeguard and promote products linked to specific regions within the country and to offer legal protection to goods with distinct qualities tied to their geographic origin, the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Ministry of Economy officially launched the country's first geographical indications (GI) system on 12 May 2025.

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USPTO to launch southeast regional outreach office from Alexandria

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on 6 June 2025 announced it will begin operating the Southeast Regional Outreach Office from its headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia.

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WIPO launches beta version of new eMadrid platform

On 20 May 2025, the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) released a beta version of the redesigned eMadrid platform for filing and managing international trademarks.

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Zanzibar starts using HDB in TMclasss

On 23 May 2025, the Zanzibar Business and Property Registration Agency (BPRA) joined TMclass and began accepting the list of terms from the Common Harmonised Database on Classification of Goods and Services (HDB) in TMclass

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