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Jurisdiction - General Information

Burundi has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since September 3, 1977. It is not a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) but it is a party to the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Burundi can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Burundi has neither an **Online Register** nor an **Online Gazette**.

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Features and search functionalities

Not applicable

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Burundi

The patent protection term of 20 years can be extended in case the granting procedure takes more than 4 years from the filing date.

Even if patents are granted without prior substantive examination applicants are required to produce copy of any search and examination report made in relation to a foreign application filed for the same invention, including a PCT application, even if Burundi is not a contracting party to the PCT Treaty.

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