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Jurisdiction - General Information

Ecuador has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since June 22, 1999. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since May 7, 2001.

Ecuador is also part of the Andean Community of Intellectual Property ([CAN](#)), of the regional IP information platform [LATIPAT](#) and of the "SISTEMA DE COOPERACIÓN SOBRE ASPECTOS DE INFORMACIÓN OPERACIONAL Y DE PROPIEDAD INDUSTRIAL" ([PROSUR](#)).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Ecuador does not have an **Online Register**, but it has an [Online Gazette](#) (Gaceta).

For further enquiries, please contact the relevant authority as indicated in the [WIPO Directory](#).

Features and search functionalities

The Online Gazette is published monthly in Spanish. Its current coverage is from 2013 to present. The Online Gazette is available in a searchable electronic format, while downloading the PDF version requires registration.

[LATIPAT](#) provides some bibliographic data and information about the **Legal Status** of Latin American patents. For more information about LATIPAT, consult the [detailed jurisdiction file](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Ecuador

According to the Andean Community Decision 486 the members of the CAN (currently Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador and Peru) avail of particular reciprocal rules to protect the IP in their territories.

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