

## QATAR - QA

### Jurisdiction - General Information

Qatar has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since July 5, 2000. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since August 3, 2011. In addition, it is a party to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

Qatar is a member of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC). Information about granted GCC patents with effects in Qatar can be retrieved at [this link](#) (granted) or this [new link](#) (powered by WIPO Publish). For more information about the GCC, consult the [detailed jurisdiction file](#).

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

### Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Qatar 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 Qatar

The filing of patent applications in the GCC was suspended from January 6, 2021. The applications received from Qatar have been resumed then from July 1, 2023. Patents filed before January 6, 2021, and granted, are valid in the territory of all the member countries, however, patents filed from July 1, 2023, have only a national effect.

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