

## SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE - ST

### Jurisdiction - General Information

Sao Tome and Principe has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since May 12, 1998. It has also been a Contracting Party to Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since July 3, 2008. In addition, it is a party to the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

Sao Tome and Principe is also a member of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization ([ARIPO](#)).

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

### Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Sao Tome and Principe has neither an **Online Register** nor an **Online Gazette**.

However, gazettes of Sao Tome and Principe are available through the ARIPO website at this [link](#).

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

### Features and search functionalities

ARIPO provides an [online information platform](#) for searching ARIPO and member states' national patents (which are currently being loaded) with an interface in English. For more information about ARIPO, consult the [detailed jurisdiction file](#).

There is currently a second patent database including patents of ARIPO and of ARIPO's members built on the WIPO Publish platform available at this [link](#), allowing a selection through a slider button between a search limited to the most frequently used fields and a broader one enlarged to a wide number of search fields, some of which however could be left empty.

### Additional Information

#### Particularities of patent protection in Sao Tome and Principe

#### Search tips