

WIPO Authority File Portal: Update

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Introduction

- An authority file is a complete list of patent documents published by an IP Office.
- WIPO Standard ST.37 defines which data elements should form part of an authority file in one of two recommended formats : text and XML.
- Each IPO entry on the Authority File Portal includes:
 - the authority file itself (TXT or XML or ZIP file)
 - optional definition file (see Annex I)
 - data coverage of authority file (e.g., from 1990 onwards)
 - any relevant remarks (e.g., update frequency)



Authority File Portal

- The Authority File Portal is available on the WIPO website as part of the WIPO Handbook in 3 languages:
 - https://www.wipo.int/standards/en/authority_file.html (English)
 - https://www.wipo.int/standards/fr/authority_file.html (French)
 - https://www.wipo.int/standards/es/authority_file.html (Spanish)
- A link to set of guidelines to support production of authority files is also available on this page.

Current list of participants (31)

Patent authority	Year joined	Format
APO	2020	XML
IP Australia	2019	TXT
CIPO	2019	TXT
CNIPA	2019	TXT
IPO CZ	2020	TXT
DPMA	2020	TXT
EAPO	2020	TXT
Estonian PO	2022	XML
European PO	2019	TXT
OEPM	2019	XML
PRH	2019	XML
INPI FR	2022	TXT
UK IPO	2020	XML
Croatian PO	2022	XML
Israel PO	2022	TXT

Patent authority	Year joined	Format
Italian PO	2020	TXT
JPO	2020	TXT
KIPO	2019	XML
Latvian PO	2021	XML
Monaco PO	2020	TXT
AGEPI	2023	XML
Poland PO	2020	XML
Serbian PO/Yugoslavia	2021	TXT
ROSPATENT	2019	XML
SAIP	2019	TXT
Swedish IP Office	2019	XML
Ukraine PO	2019	TXT
USPTO	2019	TXT
WIPO	2020	TXT
Slovakia	2023	TXT

Next Steps

- February 2024: IB will send out a Circular inviting Offices to provide their annual updates/join the initiative
- January 2026: All PCT Min.Doc.TF members will start publishing WIPO ST.37-compliant authority files



Any questions on WIPO
Standard ST.37 or the Authority
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