

# Overview of the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks

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# Options for international protection

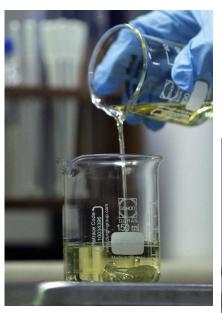


#### Protection options

- The national route: File trademark application with the Trademark Office of each country in which you want protection
- The regional route: File with the Office of a regional trademark registration system with effect in all member states (ARIPO, Benelux Trademark Office, EUIPO and OAPI)
- The international route: File through the Madrid Protocol





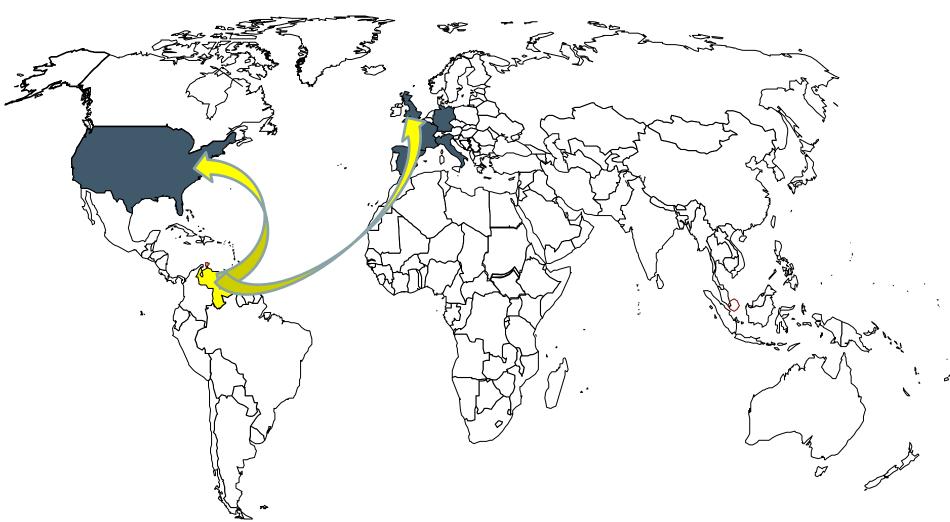




- Incorporated in 1996
- Natural extracts for cosmetics and food
- 10 employees
- USD 300 revenue
- European strategy 2012-16



How to obtain protection from Colombia in : Germany, Italy, France, Spain, United Kingdom and United States



Class 03: Soaps, perfumery, oils, cosmetics for skin care and beauty, hair lotions



#### The national route

- Germany (DPMA): EUR 300
- Italy (UIPM) : EUR 101
- France (INPI): EUR 250
- Spain (OEPM) : EUR 144.58
- UK (IPO) : GBP 200
- USA (USPTO) : USD 375

- 6 national Offices
- 6 applications
- 6 registrations
- 5 languages (English, French, German, Italian, Spanish)
- 3 currencies (EUR, GBP, USD)
- Fees CHF 1,523.44
- Other costs?



















## The regional route

- EU(EUIPO) : EUR 1,050
- USA (USPTO): USD 375





- 2 Offices
- 2 applications
- 2 registrations
- 1 language (English)
- 2 currencies (EUR, USD)
- Fees CHF 1,519.86
- Other costs?



#### The international route

- One international application
- In one language (Spanish)
- One international registration with effects in Germany, France, Italy, Spain, the United Kingdom and the United States
- One currency
- Fees CHF 1,861





# NEYBER - IRN 1204623 November 5, 2013



#### CERTIFICADO DE REGISTRO

La Oficina Internacional de la Organización Mundial de la Propiedad Intelectual (OMPI) certifica que las indicaciones que figuran en el presente certificado se corresponden con la inscripción efectuada en el Registro Internacional de Marcas mantenido en virtud del Arreglo de Madrid y del Protocolo concerniente a ese Arregio.

Reproducción de la marca en color bajo la Regla 9.4)a)vil)



Registro Internacional 1 204 623

Fecha del registro 5 de noviembre de 2013 Fecha de vencimiento 5 de noviembre de 2023

del próximo pago

Carrera 97 No. 21-51, Bogotá D.C. (Colombia)

Naturaleza juridica del titular SOCIEDAD POR ACCIONES SIMPLIFICADAS (SAS) (persona Juridica)

Nombre y dirección Mariano Fiori Melo, Calle 93 No. 11A 28, Oficina 601, Bogotá del representante (Colombia)

Clasificación 5.3; 27.5; 29.1 de elementos figurativos

Indicación relativa Las palabras que componen la marca no tienen significado alguno. a la naturaleza y tipo de la marca

Lista de productos y servicios 3 Jabones, perfumería, aceites, cosméticos para el cuidado y belleza de la piel, lociones para el cabello.

Solicitud de base Colombia, 15.02.2013, 1330805

Registro de base Colombia, 13.08,2013, 477383

Designaciones en virtual Alemania, España, Estados Unidos de América, Francia, Italia, del Protocolo de Madrid Reino Unido

Declaración de la Intención Estados Unidos de América. Reino Unido de utilizar la marca

Protected in : Germany, France, Italy, Spain and the UK.

Provision refusal for further specification in : US



# The Madrid System



#### What is the Madrid System?

- A system for international registration of trademarks
- A centralized filing and management procedure
- It is convenient:
  - A one-stop shop for trademark holders to obtain and maintain trademark protection in export markets
  - File one application, in one language (E/F/S) and pay one set of fees for protection in multiple markets
- It is cost-effective:
  - One international application is equivalent to a bundle of national applications, effectively saving time and money
  - Avoid paying for translations into multiple languages or working through the administrative procedures of multiple IP Offices
    The International Trademark System

# 125 years of experience; close to 1.3 million registrations

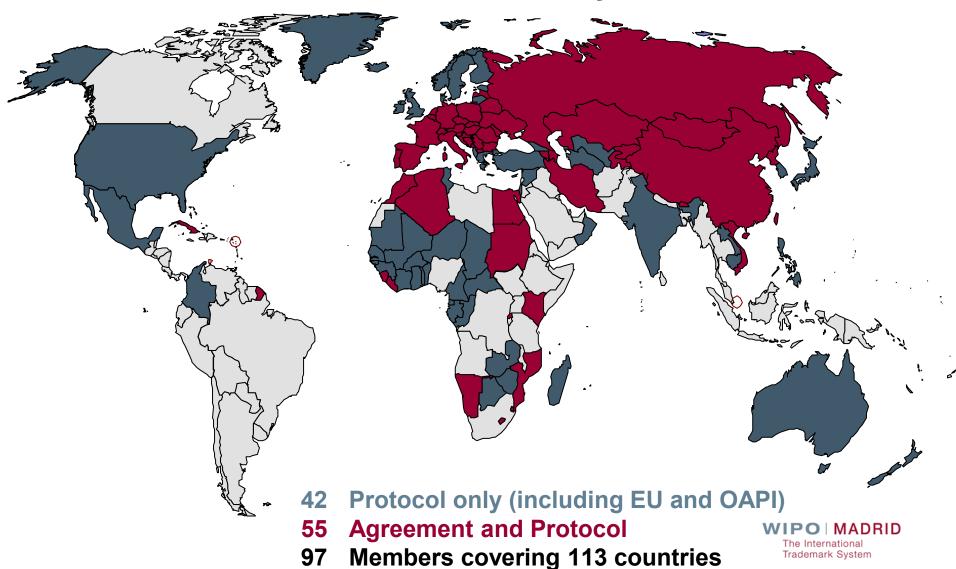




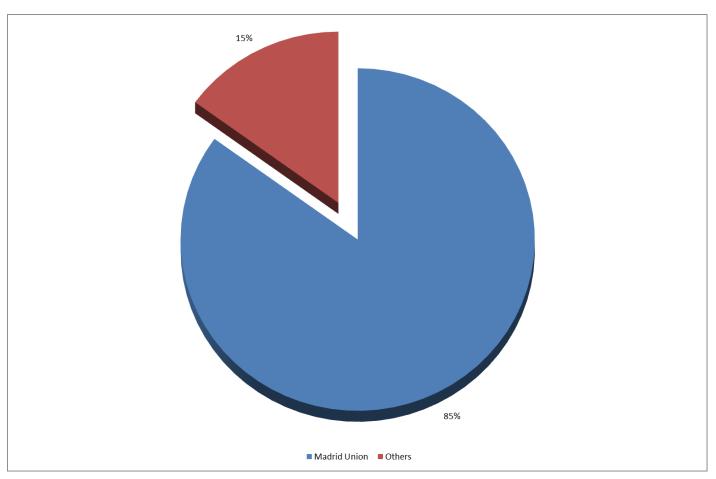
- Longines is the oldest registration in force
- Registered in Switzerland in 1889, in the International Register since 1893.
- Parade is the registration number1 298 400.
- Applied in the France in September 2015, in the International Register since December 2015



#### Members of the Madrid System



# Exports – 2014 (UN COMTRADE)





### Membership in the region

- OAPI (2015)
- Botswana (2006)
- Gambia (2015)
- Ghana (2008)
- Kenya (1998)
- Lesotho (1999)
- Liberia (1995)
- Mozambique (1998)

- Namibia (2004)
- Rwanda (2013)
- Sierra Leone (1998)
- Sudan (1984)
- Swaziland (1998)
- **Zambia** (2001)
- Zimbabwe (2015)



# How the Madrid System works

#### The International Trademark Registration Process



Video:





#### Costs

- Basic fee\* includes 3 classes of goods/services
  - 653 CHF- b/w reproduction of mark
  - 903 CHF color reproduction of mark
- Fees for designating CPs:
  - standard fees:
    - complementary (100 CHF per DCP) and
    - supplementary (100 CHF per class beyond 3)
      OR
  - individual fees, where this is declared

<sup>\*</sup> Applicants from LDCs benefit from 90% reduction of the basic fee



## Registration general profile 2015

#### **51,938 International Registrations**

Average Number of Designations	6,75
Average Number of Classes	2,49
Average Fee	3,102 CHF
All Fees	70% < 3,000 CHF



#### Decisions recorded in 2015

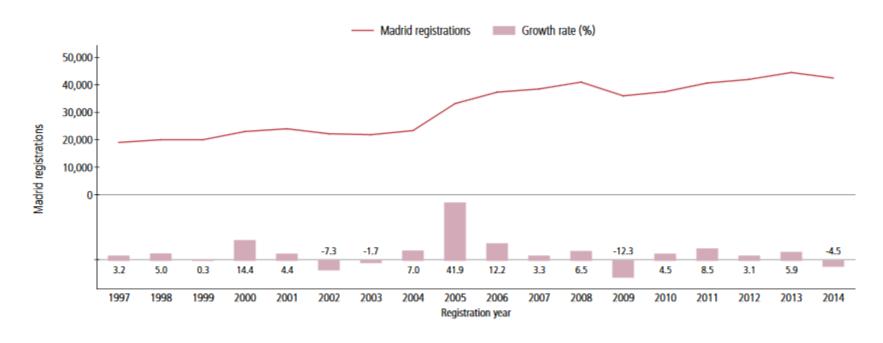
■ Final decisions

Designations recorded	 350,760
Grants of protection	 219,623
Provisional refusals	 110,650



77,251

# Trend in international registrations



Source: WIPO Statistics Database, March 2015.



#### The International Register

On December 31, 2015

Active registrations	 615,323
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- Number of right holder ...... 506,492
- Active designations (in millions)...... 5.66



# Advantages of the Madrid System



## Being a member of the Madrid System

Being a member of the Madrid System may have an impact on the

- Local businesses and industries
- National trade policies
- Local attorneys and agents



#### Local businesses and industries

- Trademark protection in the country concerned
  - Important to ensure protection in the home market
- Trademark protection abroad
  - Various routes for protecting your trademark
  - The Madrid System facilitates easy access to potential export markets
  - It is possible to expand the geographical coverage later on
  - Centralized management of trademark portfolio



#### National trade policies

- When local businesses file abroad it may:
  - Empower local industry, in particular SMEs
  - Facilitate access to export markets
  - Promote trade and further development of export
- When foreign businesses file at home it may:
  - Simplify examination for the TM Office
  - Result in more TM filings and business opportunities
  - Open local market for foreign trademark holders
  - Foster a more favorable climate for foreign investment



#### Local attorneys and agents

- The Madrid System is an option for trademark protection
- The role of local attorneys and trademark agents would be to:
  - Ensure that local business interests have proper protection in the country concerned (home market)
  - Advise local businesses on possibilities of protecting their trademarks outside the country
  - Assist clients with enforcing rights in the country concerned
  - File oppositions, cancellation actions
  - Develop trademark strategies for the local businesses



# Cooperation and Resources



### Technical Assistance and Cooperation

- Technical assistance during the <u>accession process</u>
  - Initial assessment of the legal framework and of the processes and practices of the TMO
  - Support to establish a roadmap
  - Training TMO staff and other relevant stakeholders
  - Readiness assessment of the TMO
- Cooperation after accession, support for
  - Capacity building and dissemination activities
  - Participation in Assembly and Working Group
  - Periodical training of TMO staff



#### WIPO Resources and E-Services

- Visit the Madrid Website <u>www.wipo.int/madrid/en</u>
- The Madrid Website provides resources and E-Services to assist you to <u>search before filing</u>, <u>file an application</u> and to monitor and <u>manage your registration</u>



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#### Thank you

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