



Seminar on the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs

Recent Developments:

General Overview; Update of Hague eServices

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The centralized acquisition and maintenance of industrial design rights by filing a single international application for a single international registration with effect in one or more designated Contracting Parties



What is the Hague System?

One to many relationships

- File a single international application for a single international registration in which one or more Contracting Parties are designated

“Bundle of rights”

- If no refusal, the resulting international registration has the effect of a grant of protection in each designated Contracting Party

The Hague System is a Procedural Arrangement

Issues such as:



the conditions for protection



the refusal procedure to be applied when deciding whether a design may be protected



the rights which result from protection

are governed by the law of each Contracting Party designated in an international registration

The International Application

In English, French or Spanish

May be filed directly with the International Bureau through the E-filing interface but also on paper. No prior national application/registration required

May comprise several different designs up to a maximum of 100 if they belong to the same class of the International Classification (Locarno)

One set of fees (in CHF) is to be paid

Role of the International Bureau

Formal examination

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Recording in the International Register

Sending the certificate to the holder

Publication in the International Designs Bulletin

Notification to members through the publication in the Bulletin

Failure to fulfil the applicable requirements will lead to the invitation to make the required corrections within three months from the date of invitation sent by the International Bureau.

Hague – The International Design System

The Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs provides a practical business solution for registering up to 100 designs in 73 contracting parties covering 90 countries, through the filing of one single international application.

Find out more

- [What is an industrial design?](#)
- [Main features and advantages](#)
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Video – An introduction to the International Design System

Key resources

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Guide for Users

Latest revision: August 2019

The Guide serves as a comprehensive point of reference on the entire [Hague System](#).

Within the Guide you will find background information on, and descriptions of, Hague System procedures and requirements, all accompanied by the relevant legal references.

- Download the whole Guide as one convenient PDF file 

Too much detail?

We have produced a number of complementary, quick-reference resources to help you with specific parts of the Hague System:

- [How to file your application](#) (step-by-step tutorial)
- [How to manage your Hague System registration](#)
- [How to search designs registered under the Hague System](#)

Guidance on Reproductions

Disclosure criteria may differ depending on jurisdiction. This new Guidance is a useful tool to help applicants forestall possible refusals on the ground of insufficient disclosure of an industrial design by Examining Offices.

Prepared in consultation with Examining Offices under the Hague System and several user organizations

Detailed guidance on how to prepare and provide reproductions to overcome the most common refusal issues

- Not enough views
- Unclear representations of the claimed design
- Unclear relief or contours of surfaces of a three-dimensional product
- Difference in form/color between the representations of the claimed design

Information on which guidance should be taken into account when designating specific Contracting Parties

Not self-sufficient or all inclusive

Global Design Database

A world-wide collection of industrial designs data; including WIPO Hague registrations and information from participating national offices.

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GE Designs	2,264	ID Designs	52,461	IT Designs	49,132	JP Designs	588,127
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Dew Bottle
2019-11-13
Fraser and Neave, Limited



KH ID
KHID/2018/00078

Dew Bottle
2019-11-07
Fraser and Neave, Limited



Latest Developments (legal framework)



Termination of the London (1934) Act (October 2016)



Amendments to the Common Regulations Under the 1999 Act and the 1960 Act of the Hague Agreement concerning a safeguard against non-delivery of an electronic communication entered into force on 1.1.2017



Entry into force of the twelfth edition of the Locarno Classification on January 1, 2019

Latest Developments (legal framework)



Power of Attorney no longer required at the time of filing. The appointment of a representative may be made in the international application. The naming of the representative in the international application at the time of filing shall constitute an appointment by the applicant of such representative.
(Rule 3 as amended in force as from January 1, 2019)



Section 203 of the Administrative Instructions deleted
(fax is not in use as from January 1, 2019)

Developments to come (legal framework)



Proposal for Amendments to the Common Regulations (3 proposals)



Situation of the 1960 Act



Financial Sustainability of the Hague System; Possible Revision of the Schedule of Fees



Possible Options for the Introduction of New Language into the Hague System

Hague System Growth (as of October 3, 2019)

■ 1999 Act ■ 1960 Act

2019



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Contracting Parties

The Geneva (1999) Act

Recent Accessions



Israel*
(October 3, 2019)



Samoa*
(October 2, 2019)



Viet Nam*
(September 30, 2019)



Belize
(November 9, 2018)



Benelux Union
(December 18, 2018)



United Kingdom
(March 13, 2018)



Canada
(July 16, 2018)

*Entry into force of the Geneva (1999) Act in respect to

- Viet Nam: December 30, 2019
- Samoa: January 2, 2020
- Israel: January 3, 2020

Potential Accessions in 2019/2020



China



Morocco



Mexico



Madagascar



Jordan



Indonesia



Suriname



Eurasian Patent Organization



Lao PDR



Trinidad and Tobago

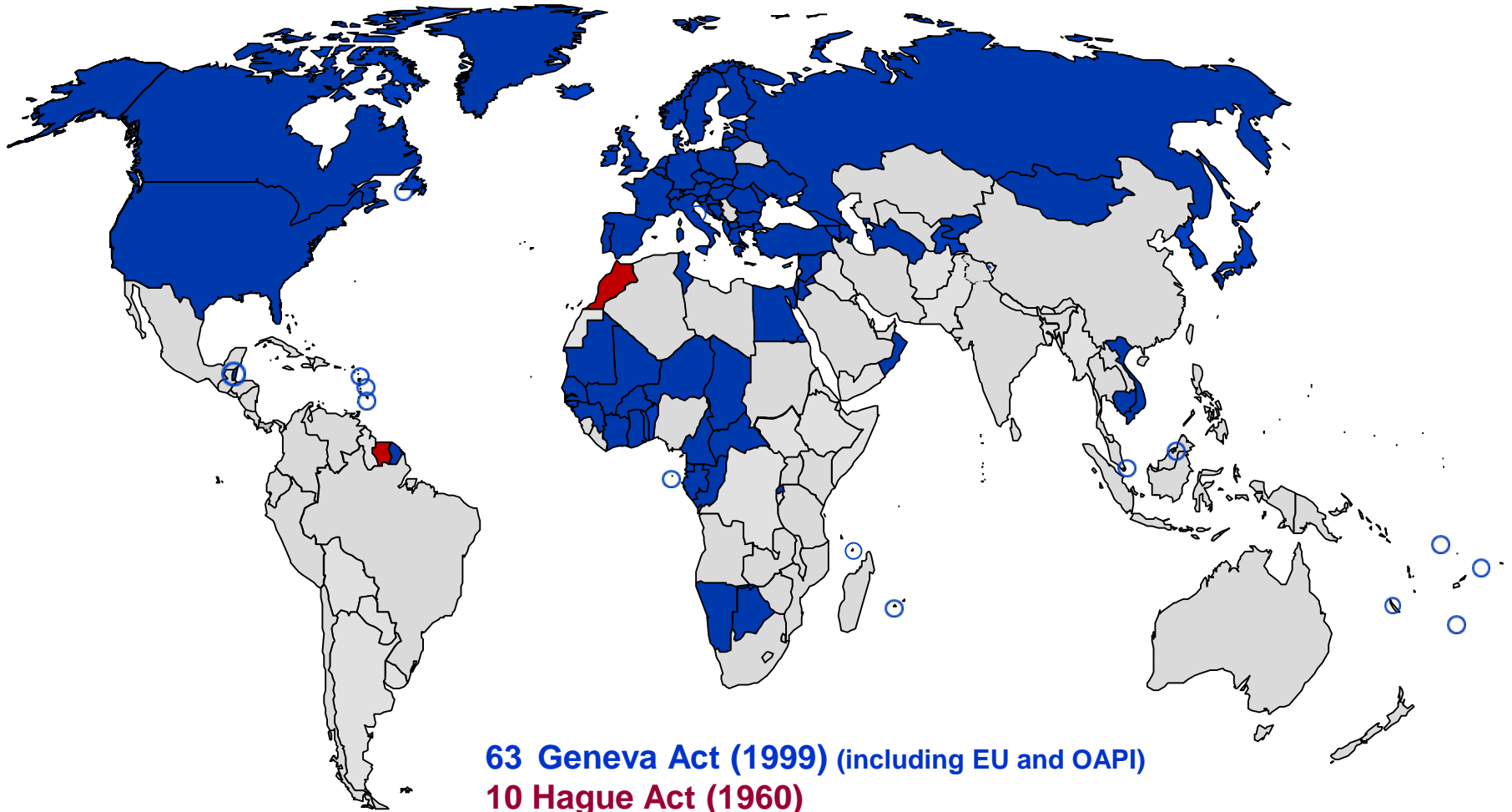


Kazakhstan



Belarus

Hague Union



63 Geneva Act (1999) (including EU and OAPI)

10 Hague Act (1960)

73 Contracting Parties

New Hague E-services and useful E-tools



New E-service and E-tools are available at:

www.wipo.int/hague



Contact Hague Form

- Single point of contact for users, while making enquiries, submitting documents or to request a priority document



Hague Member Profiles Database

Compilation of data; Search tool



Modes of payment are more flexible for the IB in accepting payments by debit cards or other new forms of payment (online payment system) since 01.01.2019

Thank you!

