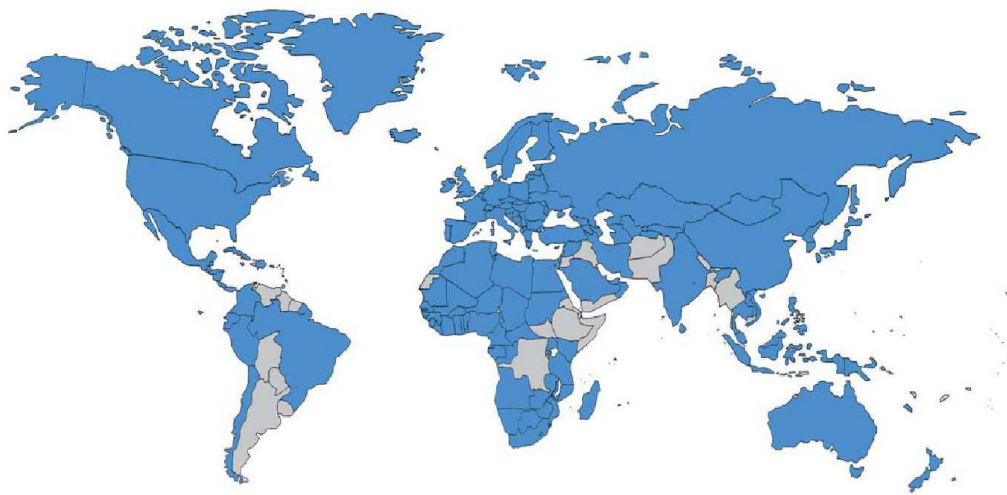


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- 1 Extension of European patent possible.
- 2 May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).
- 3 Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 March 2015.
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