

Entry into force of the amendment of the Implementing Regulations under the BCIP; English as a working language

The Director General of BOIP has decided that the modification of the Implementing Regulations resulting from the decision of the Executive Board of 21/22 June 2012 will enter into force on 1 October 2013. This decision of the Executive Board has already been [published on the website of the BOIP](#) and by the Member States (Belgium: Staatsblad / Moniteur 2013-06-10; The Netherlands: Trb 2013, 77; Luxembourg: Mémorial-A, 06-06-2013).

Consequently, as from 1 October 2013, all operations before BOIP can be carried out in English. For pending oppositions the language of proceedings can be changed at the joint request of the parties at any time up to the commencement of the proceedings (Rule 1.23 IR).