# Measures to manage the disruptions due to the COVID-19 outbreak

## Extensions or interruptions of periods

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**National procedure**

| extensions or interruptions of periods in view of the disruptions to public life caused by the COVID-19 outbreak | yes |

| Until when are the periods extended or interrupted | 15/05/20 |

> In Article 103, paragraph 2, it is provided that all the statements, certificates, permits, concessions, authorizations and authoritative documents, however denominated, including those relating to the industrial property titles, expiring between 31 January 2020 and 31 July 2020, retain their validity for the ninety days following the declaration of the end of the state of emergency.

**Which periods are extended:**

- Periods set by law: yes
- Periods set by the office: yes
- Periods for payments of fees, in particular renewal fees: yes

**Extensions or interruptions of periods granted:** by operation of law

**Validation of European Patents**

**periods covered by the extension/interruption of periods**

- Period for the filing of translations after grant pursuant to Article 65 EPC (if required): yes
- Period for the payment of the validation/publication fee (if applicable): not applicable
- Period for the payment of national renewal fees for European patents: yes

**Legal basis and publications:**

The legal basis for the extension/interruptions of periods in proceedings before the Italian Patent and Trademark Office can be found under the following link:

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