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Update on Unitary Patent request filing statistics

The first batch of unitary patents was registered this week. According to the European Patent Register, 609 requests for unitary effect have been allowed and published on Monday 12 June 2023. A further grant of unitary effect was published on Tuesday 13 June 2023. Another 42 grants of unitary effect have been published on Wednesday 14 June 2023. A yet further batch of 16 is indicated for publication on Thursday 15 June, 36 on Friday 16 June and 12 on Monday 19 June. This brings the total of granted unitary patents to date to 716.

The unitary effect applies retrospectively from the grant date of the European patent, which is 7 June 2023 in all cases.

A total of 958 requests for unitary effect are recorded as having been filed, so 242 are still pending as of today, Wednesday 14 June 2023.