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Council for Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights

## NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT

IRELAND: ARBITRATION ACT 2010 (ACT NUMBER 1 OF 2010)

## Details of the notified legal text

Title	Arbitration Act 2010 (Act Number 1 of 2010)
Subject matter	Copyright and related rights; Patents (including plant variety protection)
Nature of notification	[ ] Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation [X] Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2023/IP/IRL/23 10891 00 e.pdf
Notification status	<ul><li>[X] First notification</li><li>[ ] Amendment or revision to notified legal text</li><li>[ ] Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)</li></ul>
Previous notification(s) referred to	Not applicable

## Brief description of the notified legal text

The purpose of this Act is to apply the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) Model Law on International Commercial Arbitration to all arbitrations which take place within the State. At present that Law applies in relation to international commercial arbitration only. While repealing the Arbitration Act 1954, the Arbitration Act 1980 and the Arbitration (International Commercial) Act 1998, this Act will also preserve the obligations which Ireland undertook when it gave the force of law to the Protocol on Arbitration Clauses opened at Geneva on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of September 1923 (Geneva Protocol), the Convention on the Execution of Foreign Arbitral Awards done at Geneva on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of September 1927 (Geneva Convention), the Convention on the Settlement of Investment Disputes between States and Nationals of Other States opened for signature in Washington on 18 March 1965 (Washington Convention) and the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards done at New York on 10 June 1958 (New York Convention).

The Model Law is divided into a series of Chapters. Chapter 1 concerns general provisions covering, *inter alia*, key definitions and rules of interpretation and the extent of court intervention. Chapter II focuses on the form of the arbitration agreement. Chapter III deals with the composition of the arbitral tribunal. Chapter IV deals with the jurisdiction of the arbitral tribunal. Chapter IVA deals with interim measures and preliminary orders. Chapter V deals with the conduct of arbitral proceedings. Chapter VI deals with the making of an award and the termination of proceedings. Chapter VII specifies the grounds on which an award may be set aside. Chapter VIII deals with the recognition and enforcement of arbitration awards.

Language(s) of notified legal text	English
Entry into force	8 June 2010
Other date	Enactment: 8 June 2010

## **Notification details**

Submission date of notification	8 May 2023
Other information	The Arbitration Act 2010 provides for consequential amendments to section 74 of the Patents Act 1992 ( <a href="IP/N/1/IRL/P/1">IP/N/1/IRL/P/1</a> ) and section 367 of the Copyright and Related Rights Act 2000 ( <a href="IP/N/1/IRL/C/3">IP/N/1/IRL/C/3</a> ).
Agency or authority responsible	Intellectual Property Unit Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment <u>trademarks@enterprise.gov.ie</u>

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