

## **Marrakesh Treaty Implementation**

January 2022 Update

The chart below is an updated version of previous <u>monitoring reports</u>. Where a country has been updated or added since the last report, this is indicated with an asterisk.

Information is sourced from contacts with library associations and associations representing people with print disabilities<sup>1</sup>.

In many cases, legislation is still under discussion, and so this document should only be taken as a starting point for further investigation.

For clarification on the terminology and questions used, see the information at the bottom of the document.

Corrections, clarifications and improvements are highly welcome – please feel free to send them to ifla@ifla.org.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Please note that print disabilities should be understood as defined in the Marrakesh Treaty, i.e. being blind, having a visual impairment or reading disability which cannot be improved to give visual function substantially equivalent to that of a person who has no such impairment or disability and so is unable to read printed works to substantially the same extent as a person without an impairment or disability, or being otherwise unable, through physical disability, to hold or manipulate a book or to focus or move the eyes to the extent that would be normally acceptable for reading.

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Afghanistan	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Albania*	Not ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Andorra*	Not ratified, no national reform	No	No	No	n/a	n/a	No	No
Argentina	Ratified, national law adopted <sup>2</sup>	Yes	Yes	No <sup>3</sup>	No <sup>4</sup>	Unclear	Yes	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Agreed in July 2019 by the Senate, and in November 2020 by the Chamber of Deputies as S1762/18. Final text here:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> In the bill, works which have been originally published in accessible formats are not covered by the exceptions, if used as they are. However, if further changes are necessary, the exceptions again apply.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The Authority responsible for applying the law is required to 'get to know' authorised entities. AEs are obliged to share their catalogues, but are freer in direct distribution to entities.

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Armenia*	Not ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	No	No
Australia	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>5</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Austria	EU ratified, national law adopted	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>6</sup>
Azerbaijan	Acceded, no national law	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	No	No

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Yes, but with incentives provided to do so. There isn't a strict requirement to check commercial availability. One of the two exceptions, the one for institutions, includes no fairness test but a commercial availability check. The other one, a fair dealing, has no commercial availability test, but requires you to do a fairness assessment which is likely to involve a commercial availability test (as part of weighing up the "impact on the market" factor). So technically you don't have to do one, as long as your use is fair, but in reality, it's very likely that one will always be done. On the plus side, if you think your use is fair, you can still do it even if the material is commercially available.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Yes, but only as concerns some provisions

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Belarus*	Ratified, national law amended <sup>7</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Belgium*	EU ratified, national law adapted <sup>8</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Belize	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Bolivia	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Bosnia*	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> For more information, see 'Getting Started. Implementing the Marrakesh Treaty for persons with print disabilities. A practical guide for librarians - Belarusian edition (English)', <a href="https://www.eifl.net/resources/getting-started-implementing-marrakesh-treaty-persons-print-disabilities-practical-guide-4">https://www.eifl.net/resources/getting-started-implementing-marrakesh-treaty-persons-print-disabilities-practical-guide-4</a>. The government of Belarus plans to amend the copyright law to permit circumvention of technological protection measures in accordance with Article 7 of the Marrakesh Treaty.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Text of the law available here: <a href="http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi">http://www.ejustice.just.fgov.be/cgi</a> loi/change lg.pl?language=nl&la=N&table name=wet&cn=2018112504

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Botswana	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Brazil	Ratified, national law under discussion <sup>9</sup>	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	No
Bulgaria	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Burkina Faso	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Cabo Verde	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Discussions about regulation are ongoing. There is no remuneration obligation in the current drafts, and efforts to remove commercial availability tests. However, there are tough rules about registration and oversight, and rightholders are still arguing strongly for commercial availability tests.

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Cameroon*	Ratified, no national reform <sup>10</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Canada <sup>11</sup>	Ratified, national law amended <sup>12</sup>	Unclear (yes) <sup>13</sup>	Unclear (yes) <sup>14</sup>	No	Yes	Unclear (yes) <sup>15</sup>	Yes	No
Central African Republic	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The current law (2000) only allows libraries to reproduce works into Braille

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Canada has been involved in cross-border exchanges of work under the Marrakesh Treaty – a direct exchange with Kyrgyzstan.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> While legislation has been passed, and further discussions are currently not underway or scheduled, a regulation enacting some of the provisions regarding supplementary remuneration and annual reports are possible. The Standing Committee on Industry, Science and Technology has recently <u>reported</u> on the Statutory Review of the Copyright Act and pointed out the lack of increase of works in accessible formats since the ratification of Marrakesh. It recommends that this is monitored on an annual basis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See footnote 6.

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Chile	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Colombia	Not yet ratified <sup>16</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Comoros	Ratified, national reform underway <sup>17</sup>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	No
Cook Islands*	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Costa Rica	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

Discussions are ongoing, with the national library association following these closely: <a href="https://www.ascolbi.org/testing/item/el-tratado-de-marrakech-y-las-bibliotecas-en-colombia-un-llamado-a-la-accion">https://www.ascolbi.org/testing/item/el-tratado-de-marrakech-y-las-bibliotecas-en-colombia-un-llamado-a-la-accion</a>
 The draft text for the Comoros follows closely the Treaty:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> The draft text for the Comoros follows closely the Treaty:

<a href="https://es.unesco.org/creativity/sites/creativity/files/qpr/projet">https://es.unesco.org/creativity/sites/creativity/files/qpr/projet</a> de loi sur le droit dauteur version final fev2018 0.pdf

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Cote d'Ivoire	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Croatia	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Cyprus	EU ratified, transposed	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Czech Republic*	EU ratified, transposed	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes <sup>18</sup>	Yes <sup>19</sup>
Democratic People's Republic of Korea	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	No	No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> For severe dyslexia only <sup>19</sup> Cross-border provisions, however, do not apply

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Denmark	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Not yet clarified	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dominican Republic	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes
Ecuador	Ratified, national law amended	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes
El Salvador	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear (yes)	Yes
Estonia	EU ratified, national law adopted <sup>20</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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 $<sup>^{20}</sup>$  The amended Copyright Act came into force on November 28, 2018.

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Ethiopia	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Finland	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	No <sup>21</sup>	Yes	Yes	No <sup>22</sup>	Yes	No <sup>23</sup>
France	EU ratified, national law adopted <sup>24</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Georgia*	Not ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	No	No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> No, if a beneficiary person will have a permanent copy of an audio book.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Apart from the European Directive's record-keeping requirements, the Finnish Copyright Act says that authorised entities operating in Finland should give their name and contact information to the Ministry of Education and Culture and so that the ministry can report to the European Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> However, there is another piece of legislation in Finland concerning the production of copies for persons with hearing impairments, but that does not cover cross-border exchange of material.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> It had been subject to infringement proceedings.

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Germany	EU ratified, national law adopted	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes
Ghana	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Greece*	EU ratified, national law amended	No <sup>25</sup>	No	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Guatemala	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	No	Unclear	Yes	No
Holy See*	Not ratified, no national reform <sup>26</sup>	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	Yes	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> Compensation is payable for educational works, but not for literary works <sup>26</sup> A priori, the Holy See simply follows Italian copyright law

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Honduras	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Hungary	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Iceland*	Ratified, national law adopted <sup>27</sup>	Unclear <sup>28</sup>	Unclear	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Unclear
India	Ratified, no national reform	No	No	Unclear	No <sup>29</sup>	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Indonesia	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	No	No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Acceded in December 2021, coming into effect in March 2022

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> This is currently being reflected on, with consideration of the approaches taken by other Nordic countries

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> The beneficiary or authorised entity must apply to the copyright board for the right to do this.

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Ireland	EU ratified, national law adopted <sup>30</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Israel	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	Yes
Italy*	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	No <sup>31</sup>	No	No	Yes	Yes
Japan	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> The relevant bill is published here: <a href="https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Innovation-Research-Development/Intellectual-Property/Copyright/Copyright-and-Other-">https://dbei.gov.ie/en/What-We-Do/Innovation-Research-Development/Intellectual-Property/Copyright/Copyright-and-Other-</a> Intellectual-Property-Law-Provisions-Bill-2018/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Contrary to European law, the Italian Statute does appear to impose a commercial availability check (see Article 71bis, 2-septies: https://www.normattiva.it/urires/N2Ls?urn:nir:stato:legge:1941-04-22;633)

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Jordan	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Kazakhstan*	Not ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	No	No
Kenya*	Ratified, national law amended <sup>32</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No <sup>33</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>34</sup>
Kiribati	Ratified, no national reform <sup>35</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> Legislation in 2019 made the relevant changes, followed by a renumbering in 2020: <a href="https://www.eifl.net/sites/default/files/resources/ipok\_bill\_2020\_14-04-2020\_final.pdf">https://www.eifl.net/sites/default/files/resources/ipok\_bill\_2020\_14-04-2020\_final.pdf</a> - see Section 225

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> In the definition of "authorized entity", it appears that the entity must be approved or recognized by the government (Copyright Act Revised Edition 2020 [2001])

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> Domestically, making and sharing copies of works is permitted for people with all disabilities. It is only import and export of copies that is limited to people with Marrakesh disabilities

 $<sup>^{35}</sup>$  There is no reference to export/import in the law

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Kyrgyzstan <sup>36</sup>	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	Unclear (yes)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Latvia	EU ratified, national law adopted <sup>37</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>38</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lesotho	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>36</sup> Kyrgyzstan has been involved in a direct exchange of works under the Treaty with Canada.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>37</sup> The Marrakesh provisions entered into force in Latvia on the 13 December 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>38</sup> However, not all libraries are considered authorised entities, only "an institution the performance of which is not profit-making and which provides education or access to information for persons who are blind or with other reading difficulties".

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Liberia	Ratified, national law amended	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes <sup>39</sup>
Liechtenstein*	Ratified, no national reform <sup>40</sup>	No	No	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes

For people with a hearing impairment.

40 The current law (https://wipolex.wipo.int/en/text/186895) allows the making of copies for people with any disability, but with an obligation to make payments when making or sharing more than just copies for individuals

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Lithuania*	EU ratified, national law adopted <sup>41</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>42</sup>	No	Yes	Yes <sup>43</sup>
Luxembourg	EU ratified, no national reform <sup>44</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Malawi	Ratified, national law amended	Yes <sup>45</sup>	Yes <sup>46</sup>	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>41</sup> The national law has been approved by the Parliament, and all procedures are completed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>42</sup>-The Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Lithuania (LRKM) provides the list of authorized entities in Lithuania and the customers should register at the libraries by providing the documents evidencing their disability.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>43</sup> People with other disabilities are included as well: physical disability (immobility of hands or head, etc.); comprehension disability, problems related to old age (dementia), autism spectrum disorder, dyslexia.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>44</sup> Luxembourg's existing copyright law does allow for an exception for people with visual or auditory disabilities

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>45</sup> The law as it stands does not mention remuneration.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>46</sup> Limited: audiovisual works can only be lent, not distributed.

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Mali	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Malta	EU ratified, national law adopted	Unclear <sup>47</sup>	Unclear <sup>48</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Marshall Islands	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Mauritius*	Ratified, no national reform <sup>49</sup>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	No

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>47</sup> The law maintains the option of setting up a compensation scheme, if it appears that there is prejudice to the interests of authors

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>48</sup> See above

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>49</sup> The current law dates from 2014. It allows for the making of copies, and their importation, subject to commercial availability tests. There is no reference to the possibility to export works, or other obvious provision around authorised entities

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Mexico	Ratified, national law amended <sup>50</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Unclear (yes)
Moldova	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Monaco*	Not ratified, no national reform <sup>51</sup>	No	No	No	n/a	n/a	No	No
Mongolia	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)	No	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes <sup>52</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>50</sup> International law is self-executing, and so where the Treaty is clear, beneficiaries and libraries can already draw on the rights. However, there are currently legal amendments under discussion.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>51</sup> Current law makes no reference to people with disabilities

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>52</sup> For people with a hearing impairment.

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Montenegro*	Ratification imminent (bill of ratification adopted in Dec. 2021), national law adopted	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Morocco	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Netherlands	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
New Zealand	Ratified, national law adopted <sup>53</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes <sup>54</sup>	No	Yes	No

 $<sup>^{53} \</sup> Copyright \ (Marrakesh \ Treaty \ Implementation) \ Amendment \ Act \ 2019, \\ \underline{http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2019/0043/latest/whole.html}. \ Also \ applies \ to \ Tokelau \ Description \ Tokelau \ Description \ Descri$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>54</sup> However, the current draft indicates that notice has to be given to the Ministry before undertaking any activities as an authorised entity for the first time.

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Nicaragua	Ratified, no national reform <sup>55</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	No
Nigeria	Ratified, national law under discussion <sup>56</sup>	Yes	Yes	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear (yes)	Unclear (yes)
North Macedonia*	Not ratified, no national reform <sup>57</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Norway*	Ratified, National law amended	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Nicaragua's 1999 copyright law (article 34) allows for copying for people with blindness <a href="http://www.sice.oas.org/int\_prop/nat\_leg/Nicaragua/L312.asp#CVSS">http://www.sice.oas.org/int\_prop/nat\_leg/Nicaragua/L312.asp#CVSS</a>
 The Copyright Bill, 2021 largely tracks the Marrakesh Treaty
 See Article 52 of the current law: <a href="https://wipolex.wipo.int/en/text/437390">https://wipolex.wipo.int/en/text/437390</a>

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Panama	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	No
Paraguay	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Peru	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Philippines	Ratified, no national reform <sup>58</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Poland	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear (no)

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 $<sup>^{58}</sup>$  The Treaty will enter into force in the Republic of the Philippines on March 18, 2019.

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Portugal	EU ratified, national law adopted	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Qatar	Ratified, no national reform <sup>59</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Republic of Korea	Ratified, no national reform	Yes <sup>60</sup>	Yes	Unclear	Unclear (yes)	Unclear	Unclear	No
Romania	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>59</sup> No amendment has been needed for the implementation of the Treaty as in Qatar ratification of a Treaty has direct effect. Entry into force of the provisions will be on January 24, 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>60</sup> But only Braille.

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Russia	Ratified, national law amended <sup>61</sup>	Yes <sup>62</sup>	Yes <sup>63</sup>	Unclear (yes)	No	Unclear	Unclear (no)	No
Rwanda*	Ratified, no national reform <sup>64</sup>	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	No
Saint Lucia	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>61</sup> There are proposals to amend the current law in three ways: extend the beneficiaries in accordance with the Marrakesh Treaty, and to permit distribution and cross-border exchange of accessible format copies (Proposed amendments to Article 1274 of Part Four of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation, 16 December 2021), The closed list of special formats (Braille, crypto-protected, embossed (relief) graphics) remains as is.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>62</sup> Lending only, not distribution

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>63</sup> Lending only, not distribution

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>64</sup> Rwanda is still operating with its 2009 law, which allows for reproduction for people with print disabilities, but subject to a commercial availability check. It is possible to import works, but there is no detail about export

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Saint Vincent	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
San Marino	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Sao Tome and Principe	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Saudi Arabia	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Serbia*	Ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

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Singapore	Ratified, national law amended	Yes <sup>65</sup>	Yes <sup>66</sup>	No	Yes	Unclear	Unclear (yes)	No
Slovakia	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Slovenia	EU ratified, national law under discussion	Yes	Yes	No <sup>67</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spain	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>65</sup> Rightholders can ask for payment, but there is no automatic obligation to pay.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>66</sup> See footnote 36.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>67</sup> The existing exception only applies if the relevant work is not available in the desired form. However this will most likely changed in the current reform.

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Sri Lanka	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Sweden*	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes <sup>68</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Slovakia	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Slovenia	EU ratified, national law under discussion	Yes	Yes	No <sup>69</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Spain	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>68</sup> Sweden does, however, have a remuneration model which is separate from the Marrakesh Treaty and the Copyright Act

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Sri Lanka	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Sweden	EU ratified, national law adopted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear
Switzerland	Ratified, national law updated	No <sup>70</sup>	No	Yes	Unclear	No	Yes	Yes <sup>71</sup>
Tanzania	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Thailand	Ratified, national law amended	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>70</sup> Payment is due for any widespread distribution, but not for 'isolated uses': <a href="https://www.admin.ch/opc/fr/classified-compilation/19920251/202004010000/231.1.pdf">https://www.admin.ch/opc/fr/classified-compilation/19920251/202004010000/231.1.pdf</a>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>71</sup> Broader 'sensory deficiencies' are covered by Article 24a of the Federal Copyright Act: <a href="https://www.admin.ch/opc/fr/classified-compilation/19920251/">https://www.admin.ch/opc/fr/classified-compilation/19920251/</a>

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Tajikistan	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Trinidad and Tobago	Ratified, national reform passed <sup>72</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Turkey*	Not ratified, no national reform <sup>73</sup>	Yes	Yes	No	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes
Turkmenistan	Acceded, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>72</sup> Legislation passed in June 2020: http://www.ttparliament.org/legislations/a2020-14g.pdf
<sup>73</sup> Only applies to scientific and literary works (see additional article 11: <a href="https://wipolex.wipo.int/en/text/440051">https://wipolex.wipo.int/en/text/440051</a>)

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UAE (United Arab Emirates)	Ratified, national law under discussion	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Uganda	Ratified, no national reform	Yes <sup>74</sup>	No	Unclear <sup>75</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	No	Unclear
Ukraine*	Not ratified, no national reform	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	No
United Kingdom	Ratified, national law adopted <sup>76</sup>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>74</sup> Braille.

 <sup>75</sup> Fair dealing.
 76 Following Brexit, the United Kingdom ratified the Marrakesh Treaty in its own right. It was previously covered by the EU's ratification

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United States	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Uruguay	Ratified, national law amended	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Vanuatu	Ratified, no national reform	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Venezuela	Ratified, no national law	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Zimbabwe	Ratified, national law reform underway <sup>77</sup>	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>77</sup> The Copyright Amendment Bill (2020) largely track the Marrakesh Treaty. However, the draft text inadvertently omits an authorized entity, such as a library, from supplying an accessible format copy to a print disabled person in Zimbabwe

## Under "status":

- Ratified, national law under discussion: the Marrakesh Treaty has been ratified (or acceded to), but the process of amending national law is ongoing.
- Ratified, national law amended: the Marrakesh Treaty has been ratified, and national laws amended in response.
- Ratified, no national reform: the Marrakesh Treaty has been ratified, but we are not aware of efforts to amend national laws in order to comply. Compliance might be the case in countries where the Treaty provisions have direct effect after ratification.
- EU ratified, under discussion: Under the terms of the EU legislation on Marrakesh, EU Member States have until 11 October to bring their legislation into line with the rules set out in European law. For countries marked in this way, this process has not yet been completed.
- EU ratified, transposed: the country has successfully updated its national law in order to comply with the EU legislation on Marrakesh
- EU ratified, no national reform: the country has not initiated legislative changes to its national law.
- Not yet ratified, national law under discussion: the country has not ratified the treaty but has initiated legislative changes to its national law.

## Criteria:

- Can libraries use Marrakesh rights without paying remuneration (books)? The Marrakesh Treaty leaves open the possibility for Member States to oblige beneficiaries and/or authorised entities such as libraries to make payments to rightholders when making or sharing accessible copies of books. We believe that such an obligation is counter-productive it is directly harmful to beneficiaries, and risks drawing resources away from services to beneficiaries in the case of authorised entities.
- Can libraries use Marrakesh rights without paying remuneration for audio-books? As above but relating to audio-books. The current market situation for audiobooks means that some countries treat them differently to normal books. We believe, again, that payments will draw resources away from other uses.
- Can libraries use Marrakesh rights without needing to check on commercial availability? The Marrakesh Treaty leaves the possibility to oblige beneficiaries and authorised entities to check whether an accessible format copy of a book is available on the market before making and/or sharing a copy. Such a provision adds an extra bureaucratic step and may make using Marrakesh impossible in countries where it is difficult to be 100% sure about the availability of a book or not. Where a book is easily available in an accessible format, libraries and others are also likely to acquire this, rather than go to the expense of creating copies.

- Can libraries use Marrakesh rights without a registration obligation? The agreed statement on Article 9 of the Treaty underlines that there should be no obligation on authorised entities to register or seek special permission before they can make use of provisions under Marrakesh. However, many countries seek to impose such controls. This adds bureaucracy, and in many cases may reduce the number of libraries stepping forwards.
- Can libraries use Marrakesh rights without additional record-keeping requirements? The Treaty asks for authorised entities (libraries) to keep records and information about how they are preventing illicit use of works but does not oblige annual reporting or impose detailed requirements. However, some countries risk doing this, again taking time away from providing services.
- Can libraries use exceptions to serve people with dyslexia included? The refers to whether national laws in line with the Marrakesh Treaty extend the scope of beneficiaries to people with dyslexia.
- Are people with other disabilities included? While not included in the Treaty, it is possible for Member States to extend possibilities to benefit from the Treaty to people with other disabilities. This is an issue currently on the agenda at the World Intellectual Property Organisation.