

Acronyms and abbreviations

EC	European Commission
EPO	European Patent Office
EU	European Union
GDP	Gross domestic product
HRST	Human Resources in Science and Technology
ICT	Information and communication technologies
IP	Intellectual property
IPRs	Intellectual property rights
NIS	National innovation systems
PCT	Patent Co-operation Treaty
PPP	Purchasing power parity
PRI	Public research institutions (the terms “PRI” and “PRO” are used interchangeably depending on national practise; here: government research laboratories and establishments engaged in activities such as administration, health, defence and cultural services, excluding universities)
PRO	Public research organisations (all institutions and public bodies that conduct research primarily funded with public resources, i.e. universities, other higher education institutes, PRIs, hospitals, etc.)
R&D	Research and development
S&E	Science and engineering
S&T	Science and technology
SME	Small and medium-sized enterprises
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization

Country abbreviations

ARG	Argentina	FIN	Finland	NLD	Netherlands
AUS	Australia	FRA	France	NOR	Norway
AUT	Austria	GBR	United Kingdom	NZL	New Zealand
BEL	Belgium	GRC	Greece	POL	Poland
BRA	Brazil	HUN	Hungary	PRT	Portugal
CAN	Canada	IND	India	RUS	Russian Federation
CHE	Switzerland	IRL	Ireland	SVK	Slovak Republic
CHL	Chile	ISL	Iceland	SVN	Slovenia
CHN	People's Republic of China	ISR	Israel	SWE	Sweden
CZE	Czech Republic	ITA	Italy	TUR	Turkey
DEU	Germany	JPN	Japan	USA	United States
DNK	Denmark	KOR	Korea	ZAF	South Africa
ESP	Spain	LUX	Luxembourg		
EST	Estonia	MEX	Mexico		



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