

Marrakesh Treaty Questionnaire – Qatar

1. Please indicate the relevant provisions in your national legislation providing for or regulating the limitations and exceptions to facilitate access to published works for persons who are blind, visually impaired, or otherwise print disabled.

No relevant provisions exists in the Qatari law, due to the fact that Qatar has recently joined the treaty. However, the Intellectual Property department in Qatar is currently working in process of establishing provisions concerned with blind, visually impaired or print disabled individuals, in compliance to the obligations stated in Marrakesh Treaty for member states.

2. Does your national legislation permit the cross-border exchange (i.e. exportation) of “accessible format copies”, as defined in Article 2 b)1 MVT? If yes, under which conditions?

Yes, the Qatari Law No. 7 of 2002 on the Protection of Copyright and Neighbouring Rights unconditionally permits cross-border exchange of works.

3. Does your national legislation allow the importation of “accessible format copies”, as defined in Article 2 b)2 MVT? If yes, under which conditions?

Yes, the Qatari Law No. 7 of 2002 on the Protection of Copyright and Neighbouring Rights unconditionally permits cross-border exchange of works.

4. Does your national legislation provide a definition of “authorized entity”, as defined in Article 2 c)3 MVT? If yes, please provide the reference.

No

5. Please provide a list with contact details of entities that can operate as authorized entities in your territory, and any further information that you can provide, such as number of accessible titles in the catalogue of the authorized entity and the languages covered.

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