“Data storage”, “Information storage” in Classes 39 or 42
(Circular No. 8/2016, dated 14 Oct 2016)

The Registry has reviewed its practice with regard the description “data storage” and “information storage”.

Prior to this review, the Registry will not accept the description "data storage" or "information storage" in either Class 39 or Class 42 as the descriptions, without further qualification, are vague.

Upon review, the Registry will now accept the descriptions “data storage” and “information storage” per se in both Classes 39 and 42, by assuming, where the application is filed in Class 39, that the services are physical storage of data/information and, where the application is filed in Class 42, that the services are electronic storage of data/information.

This circular supersedes Circular No. 1/2012 on “data storage” and “information storage”, and this revision in practice shall take effect for all applications lodged on or after 14 October 2016.