GENERAL INFORMATION	
Name of formality	Certificate for the Registration of Layout-design of Integrated Circuits
Type of formality	Certificate
Date of last modification	27.09.2017
Responsible Authority	Intellectual Property Department
Who should apply for this formality?	The owner of the 'layout-design integrated circuits' that means a three-dimensional disposition however expressed, of an integrated circuit at least one element of which is an active element and some or all of the interconnections of an integrated circuit or such a three dimensional disposition prepared for an integrated circuit intended for manufacture and that owner intends to get the full protection over such layout-design of integrated circuits within Lao PDR

Qualifications needed by the business to get the formality	- Persons eligible for protection of industrial property shall be as follows:1. a Lao citizen or resident in the Lao PDR, or a legal entity or organizationestablished under the laws of the Lao PDR;2. an individual that is a national or a resident of any country which is a member of the Paris Convention or other international agreement relating to the protection of industrial property and of which the Lao PDR is also a member;3. an individual, legal entity or organization with a real and effective industrial or commercial establishment in the territory of any member of the Paris Convention or of any other international agreement that relates to the protection of industrial property and of which the Lao PDR is also a member.international agreement that relates to the protection of industrial property and of which the Lao PDR is also a member.- A layout-design of integrated circuit eligible for lay-out design of integrated circuit certificate shall meet all the following requirements:1. the layout-design is original which is not similar to the layout-design of others which is created from an idea of a creator and is not commonplace among creators of layout-designs and manufacturers of an integrated circuit at the time of its creation;2. the layout-design consists of an integration of elements and interconnections that are commonplace shall be protected only if the combination, taken as a whole, fulfills the conditions of item 1;3. the application for registration is submitted before the layout-design circuit is commercially exploited anywhere in the world by the right holder or within two years from the date of commercial exploitation.

LEGAL FRAMEWORK			
Name	**Number**	**Date**	**Comment**
Law on Intellectual Property (2017)	38/NA	15.11.2017	

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS FORMALITIES		
Name	**Type**	**Comment**
${SUPPORT_NAME}	${SUPPORT_TYPE}	${SUPPORT_COMMENT}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR FIRST TIME APPLICATION		
Name of document	**Type of document**	**File of document**
${ATTACHMENT_NAME}	${ATTACHMENT_TYPE}	${ATTACHMENT_FILE}

LIST OF ATTACHED DOCUMENTS FOR RENEW APPLICATION		
Name of document	**Type of document**	**File of document**
${ATTACHMENT_NAME_RENEW}	${ATTACHMENT_TYPE_RENEW}	${ATTACHMENT_FILE_RENEW}

MEAN OF PRESENTATION		
Means of presentation	At the Authority Offices	
Address of authority	Intellectual Property Department, Ministry of Science and Technology	
Time it takes to the authorities to process the formality	180	

RENEWAL INFORMATION	
Does the formality have a validity or an expiration date?	**How long will the formality be valid for? (in months)**
YES	144
What is the process and conditions to get the formality?	
What is the process and conditions to renew the formality?	In order to maintain the term of protection, the owner shall pay annual fees in advance.

ISSUING FEES				
Has application fees?	**Service fees businesses need to disburse**	**Certificate fees businesses need to disburse**	**Application fees businesses need to disburse**	**Total fees businesses need to disburse**
YES	0.00	0.00	300000.00	300000.00
Comments	Refer to the Presidential Ordinance No. 03/PO			
ADDITIONAL ISSUING FEES				
Additional fee names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Additional fee comments	

RENEWAL FEES				
Has renewal fees?	**Service fees businesses need to disburse**	**Certificate fees businesses need to disburse**	**Renewal fees businesses need to disburse**	**Total renewal fees businesses need to disburse**
YES	0.00	1120000.00	0.00	1120000.00
Comments	Refer to the Presidential Ordinance No. 03/PO			
ADDITIONAL RENEWAL FEES				
Additional renewal fees names				
NO	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Additional renewal fees comments				