

WebApp User Guide for Practice Enterprises

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1. Introduction

The objective of this User Guide is to provide Practice Enterprises an explanation of WebApp user functionalities. Each menu item is described in detail and includes information about its function, sub items and the procedures for the user.

2. Getting Started with the WebApp

2.1. Access to the WebApp

A Practice Enterprise (PE) can access the WebApp portal by using its User Name and Password. If you do not have/forgot your User Name or Password, please contact your national Central Office (CO) or

click on the "Password forgotten" link in the Log In box (see

Figure 1) and your password will be emailed to you at the email associated with your account.

To connect to the WebApp

- Use the following link: https://penapps.penworldwide.org/
- 2. Fill in your User Name and Password



Figure 1: Log In Box WebApp

Website User Preferences

Language Options

On the main page, there are language options for the menu (top right). Once a language is chosen, it will be saved as the default language for your site.





Website Layout

The website skin (website layout) is modifiable to 5 different options depending on your preference (top right). Once a website skin is chosen, it will be saved as the default for your site.

Page View

In the sections containing documents you can adjust the page view at the bottom of each screen (items per page, jump page, jump to end, jump to beginning, etc.).



3. PENApps Marketplace

WebApp menu item *PENApps Marketplace* has a direct link to the new Marketplace https://marketplace.penworldwide.org. You will be asked to enter your username and password that is supplied by your national Central Office.

You can find "Getting Started" guide for the Practice Enterprise Marketplace under the following link User Guide for the Practice Enterprise Marketplace.

Activities and Events

Use this menu item to view the listing of the upcoming PEN Worldwide activities and events: https://penapps.penworldwide.org/TradeFairs/TradeFairs.aspx

Activities and events listings are uploaded by the host country. Please contact the host of the event directly for more details about the event. To add an event to the calendar, please contact your national Central Office.

You can also check out the upcoming events on our public website: http://www.penworldwide.org/tradefairs.aspx.

The calendar of events only includes information entered by national Central Offices. If there are missing events, please contact your CO. The events are automatically removed from the calendar the day after the event.

PE Trade Directories and Listings

This section explains how to find business partners using the Yellow Pages or specific search or listing criteria.

Only Practice Enterprises that are listed in the database as trading internationally can be found in the Yellow Pages. National traders can only be found using Listing criteria.

Only Practice Enterprises that have a minimum of one Category, keyword or description can be found in the Yellow Pages. If a PE has not entered any Yellow Page information in their PE information, they cannot be found and are invisible to all other PEs. If you are not sure that your PE is visible, verify your data with your national Central Office.

Search in the Yellow Pages

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Yellow Pages Search

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPages.aspx

There are two ways to search in the Yellow Pages (YP) at the YP link page (see Figure 2). 1st search option - Browse by YP categories

2nd search option – by entering specific information and keywords

Both search options will be explained more detailed below:

Figure 2: Two search options in the Yellow Pages



1st Search Option in the Yellow Pages

This option enables the user to find business partners (other PEs) according to a specific business category. There are 14 Yellow Page categories organised by number and colour (see Figure 3). Each category includes the information of the PEs operating in that business category.

Each PE indicated includes:

- 1) link to webshops
- 2) other activity categories
- 3) PE languages (see Figure 4)



Figure 3: 14 Yellow Pages Directories



Figure 4: Example for listing of PEs in the category Food and beverages

	thes found		
Shop Online	Practice Enterprise	Activity Categories	PE Languages
	@YOURSERVICE, MIRANDOLA MO, IT	6	IT, EN
	02H, Lido Beach, US	6 0	EN
	10 Chefs N' A Gourmet Bundle, Boston, US	6	EN, ES
	<u>IWorldFoodCorp</u> , <u>Brooklyn</u> , <u>US</u> IWorldFoodCorp is a multicaltural catering campany. IWorldFoodCorp allows our customer to choose their menu based on their preferred culture.	00 0@	EN
	Pure, Farmingville, US Pure provides healthy, prepared meals delivered to your doorstep weekly.	000	EN, IT, RO
9	3H GmbH, Hannover, DE Our medium sized enterprize 3H GmbH Honig Heiterkeit Hannover produces honey and products from honey. We do have our own beekeeping enterprize based in Lower Sarrony, Germany. We are member of the association 'Deutscher Inikerbund', who is representing and controlling the quality compliance of the products of German beekeeping enterprises. Our responsibility is to fund and to distribute the beekeeping so the nature will keep rich in species also in future. So that we are able to produce and to still high qualified honey and honey products.	6000	DE, EN, FR. TR

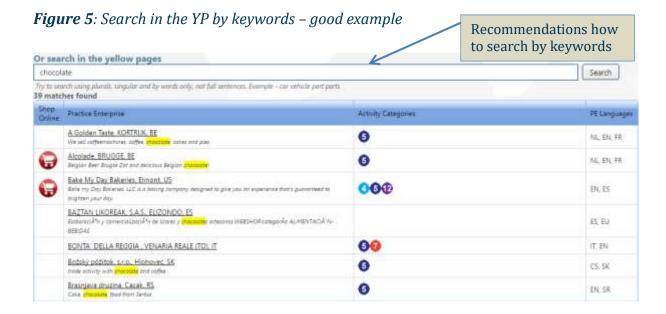
2nd Search Option in the YP

This option can be used to find Practice Enterprises by entering specific information and keywords. This way of searching is specific to exact terms – language, spelling, plural or singular forms, etc.

Try to search using different language or with plurals. Example, "chocolat" or "chocolate" or "chocolates" if you want to search in French and English and plural.

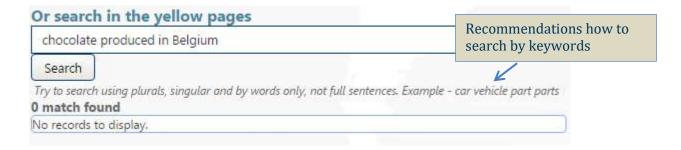
It is important to use keywords with exact spelling. Misspelled words will not be found (example "cholocat").

Try to search using single words only (example "chocolate", see Figure 5) and avoid too many words or full sentences (example "chocolate produced in Belgium", see Figure 6).



As seen in *Figure 5*, the keyword "chocolate" results in 39 matches found.

Figure 6: Search in the YP by keywords – good example



As seen in *Figure 6*, the keyword "chocolate in Belgium" is too complex and results in 0 matches found.

Search for a Specific Company

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Detailed Search

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/SearchPE.aspx

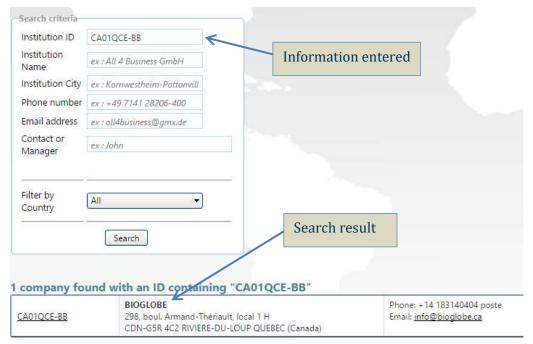
The Detailed Search enables a user to search for business partners using specified search criteria. *Figure 7* below shows a search for a specific company can be done by entering specific criteria.



It is important that information entered into the search fields is written exactly as in the PE information. At least one exact criterion must be entered to get a result.

Searching by "Institution ID", "Institution Name", "Phone number", "Email address", "Contact or Manager" will give the result for the PE(s) associated with that information (see Figure 7).

Figure 7: Search for a specific company by Institution ID



Searching by "Institution City" can provide more results as there is often more than one PE located in the same city (*see Figure 8 below*).

To search for PEs by country go to the section titled PE Listings by Country.

Search criteria Institution ID DE01BEC Institution ex : All 4 Business GmbH Information entered Name Institution City Heilbronn Phone number ex: +49 7141 28206-400 Email address ex: all4business@gmx.de Contact or ex:John Manager Filter by Germany Country Search result Search 1 company found with an ID containing "DE01BEC" in Germany Phone: +49 7131 928237 Fax: +49 7131 928183 BIT Best in Technik GmbH Email: Bit@ass-hn.de DE01BEC Längelterstr. 106 Web: http://www.zuef.de/bit D-74080 Heilbronn (Germany) 9 companies found which city name contains "Heilbronn" in Germany Phone: +49 7131 928237 Fax: +49 7131 928183 BIT Best in Technik GmbH Email: Bit@ass-hn.de Längelterstr. 106 DE01BEC Web: http://www.zuef.de/bit D-74080 Heilbronn (Germany) Bike World GmbH Phone: +49 7131 564123 Fax: +49 7131 564119 DE01BIW Frankfurter Str. 63 Email: bike.world@gvss.de D-74072 Heilbronn (Germany) Brunnen GmbH Phone: +49 7131 928-180 Fax: +49 7131 928-182 ÜFA der Andreas-Schneider-Schule DE01BRU Email: Brunnen@ass-hn.de Längelterstr. 106 D-74080 Heilbronn (Germany)

Figure 8: Search for a specific company by Institution ID and City

Search for Top International Traders

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Top International Traders Listings https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Statistics/TopTraders.aspx

This section provides users with a listing of the Top Traders. It is very useful for finding potential business partners that are active in international trade.

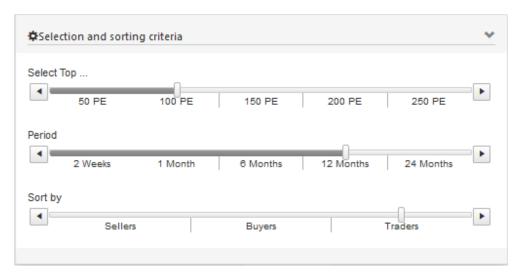
A user can select in a range from 50 to 250 PEs between a period of 2 weeks and 24 months and sort by Top Sellers, Top Buyers and Top Overall Traders.

To change the search criteria, drag the slider along the line to the desired number of PEs (50 PEs, 100 PEs, 150 PEs, 200 PEs, 250 PEs), desired period (2 weeks, 1 Month, 6 Months, 12 Months, 24 Months) or one of three target groups (Sellers, Buyers, Traders).



Listings can be downloaded in Excel and PDF format.

Figure 9: Selection and sorting criteria of Top International Traders



Important - this search tool gives a listing of **international** traders only. PEs that trade only national cannot be found in this list.

Practice Enterprises are ranked according to the number of verified Swift transactions.

Search criteria example used in *Figure 9* above provides a list of "Top 100 Traders in the last 12 Months" which can be downloaded by clicking on the Excel or PDF icon:



World Map of Practice Enterprises

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> PE Global Geolocation Map
https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/PeGlobalClusteredMapFullframe.aspx

The PE Global Geolocation Map provides access to the world map of Practice Enterprises in the PEN Worldwide network. The map shows all PEs worldwide that are marked as trading internationally.

Clusters¹ are used to display a large number of PEs in one area on the map. The number on a cluster indicates the number of PEs in the cluster (*see Figure 10*).

In our world map a cluster can be described as a geographic concentration of Practice Enterprises.

¹ In business, a cluster is described as a geographic concentration of interconnected businesses, suppliers and associated institutions in a particular field (wikipedia).



As you zoom into any of the cluster locations, the number on the cluster decreases, and you begin to see the individual pins for each PE (example – Danish PE ECC Trading A/Sim in *Figure 10*).

Click on the pin of an individual PE to directly link to the "Practice Enterprise Main Information" window in the WebApp. Zooming out of the map consolidates the individual PEs into clusters again.

Vendsyssel Aaihr Klitmøller Estland Randers Lettland Weißrusstan Svendsgade 19-21 6700 Esbjerg Denmark) Dänem National park Spanien Griechenland Vadehavet Flensburg

Figure 10: A fragment from PE Global Geolocation Map (Europe)

Search for PE Listings by Country

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> PE Listings by Country

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/PEMarketList.aspx

PE Listings by Country enables a user to filter data by Institution Type and Country. There are 4 types of Institutions that can be filtered:

Practice Enterprise – the physical location where PE activities take place

Host – educational institution or organization that is responsible for administering Practice Enterprise(s) established in their institution

Central Office - the Central Office administers the national PE network and provides support to national PEs, trainers training, and manages all Central Services offered to PEs



Central Service - commercial and regulatory services such as banking, customs and taxation, utilities and post office, etc. that are managed by the Central Office

A list of institutions by country can be downloaded in Excel or PDF format.

Figure 11: Search for institution by country



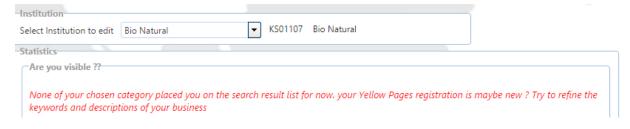
Visibility in the Yellow Pages

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Your Yellow Pages Visibility
https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPagesVisibility.aspx

This section allows Practice Enterprises to check their PE visibility in the Yellow Pages. It provides detailed information about how many times their PE has appeared in search results from other PEs. It also shows which criteria and keywords were used to find them.

Figure 12 shows PE "Bio Natural" has no visibility in the YP because it has not entered any Keywords or Description of its business into their Practice Enterprise information.

Figure 12: Example of no Visibility of the PE in the YP





There are many ways for Practice Enterprises to increase their visibility in the YP.

1. Add Category of your Business

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Your Yellow Pages Visibility -> Categories https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPagesVisibility.aspx

A category of your business can be added by selecting a category from the Yellow Pages Categories. There can be several categories selected and saved.

In order to add a category, follow this procedure (*Figure 13*):

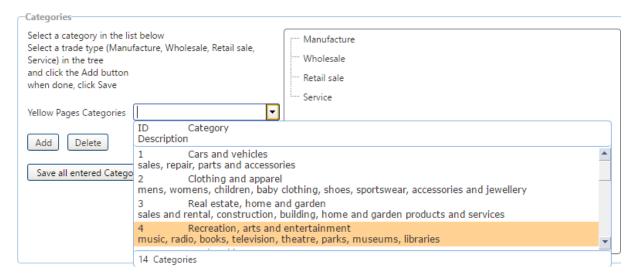
Select a category in the list below

Select a trade type (Manufacture, Wholesale, Retail Sale, Service)

Click the Add button

When done, click Save

Figure 13: Business category adding window



2. Add Keywords to Describe your Business

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Your Yellow Pages Visibility -> Keywords https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPagesVisibility.aspx

Keywords describing your business can be added by selecting them from the Yellow Pages Keywords. There can be several Keywords selected and saved.



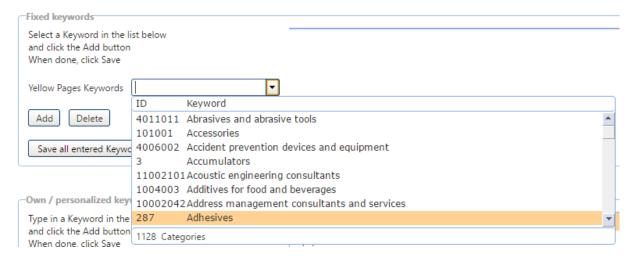
To add the keywords, follow this procedure (*Figure 14*):

Select a Keyword from the list

Click the Add button

When done, click Save

Figure 14: Keywords adding window



3. Add Own / Personalized Keywords

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Your Yellow Pages Visibility -> Personalized Keywords https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPagesVisibility.aspx

There is also a function for adding personalized keywords to describe your business. This function is very useful in case you cannot find the appropriate keywords in the list of YP keywords or you want to describe your business activities in more detail.

Make sure to use simple keywords and correct spelling. Yellow Pages searches for exact terms, so use different versions and ensure accuracy (ex. car, auto, vehicle, transport)

To add personalized keywords, follow this procedure (Figure 15):

Type in a Keyword in the textbox

Click the Add button

When done, click Save



Figure 15: Personalized keywords adding window

٢	Own / personalized keywords	
	Type in a Keyword in the textbox below and click the Add button When done, click Save	
	Enter a keyword	
	Add Delete	
	Save all entered Keywords	

4. Add Own / Personalized Activity Description

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> Your Yellow Pages Visibility -> personalized activity description

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/YellowPagesVisibility.aspx

There is also a function for adding a personalized description of your business activities. This function is useful in case you want to describe your business activities in more detail.

In addition, you can select the languages spoken in your PE.

Descriptions should be short and concise and provide a simple explanation of your business.

(ex1. Sales of car parts and accessories)

(ex2. B2B marketing services including social media and web design)

To add personalized activity description, follow this procedure (*Figure 16*):

Type in Activity Description in the textbox

Select Language

When done, click

Figure 16: Personalized activity description adding window

Own / personalized activity description						
	Language	Activity Description				
Language:	English ▼					
Activity Description:						
 ✓ ∅						
No records to display.						
+ Add new activity description						



VAT Tax ID Verification

PE Trade Directories and Listings -> VAT Tax ID Verification https://penapps.penworldwide.org/PEMarket/VatIdCheching.aspx

This page can be used to verify the existence of VAT Tax ID. Using this tool, a PE can verify if a VAT tax ID of a potential business partner is up to date and in the system before making a payment.

PE Webshops Directory

PE Webshops Directory menu links to PE webshops entered into the database.

If your PE has a Webshop but it is not visible in the database, please contact your Central Office to have it added to your PE information.

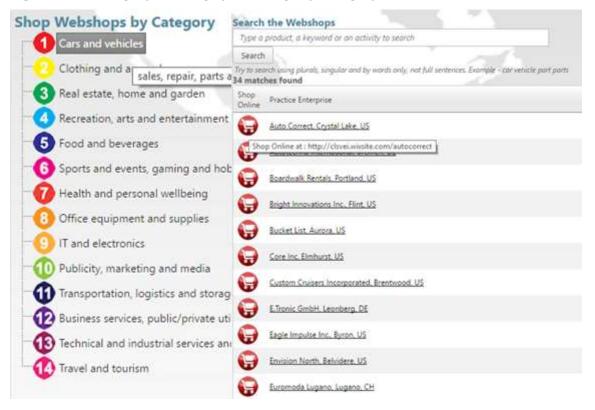
PE Webshops Directory -> **Shop through Webshops**

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/MarketPlace/WebshopSearch.aspx

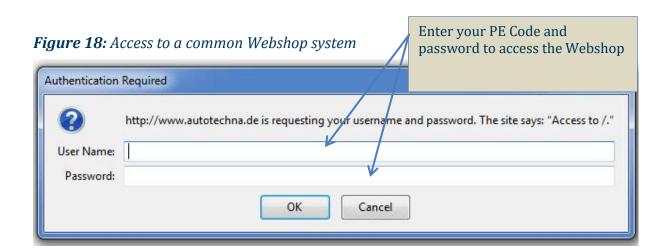
Links to a list of Webshops according to business category (see *Figure 17*, an example of Webshops listing in the category Cars and vehicles).

A click on the "shop online" icon leads to an individual PE Webshop. Note that not all links lead directly to Webshops: many countries have a common Webshop system where the PE will have to re-enter their PE code and password to access the Webshops of certain countries (see *Figure 18*).

Figure 17: Example for listing of Webshops by category



Webshops are administered by national Central Offices and individual Practice Enterprises. For any issues accessing Webshops, please contact the PE directly or contact your national Central Office for assistance.



PE Webshops Directory -> Listing of Webshops

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/MarketPlace/ActiveWebshops.aspx



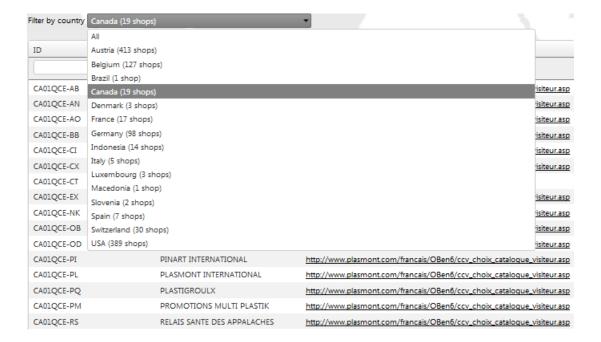
This section provides listings of active PE Webshops in different countries. Users can filter Webshops by country, ID, name or URL address (*Figure 19*).

Figure 19: Filtering system for the webshops



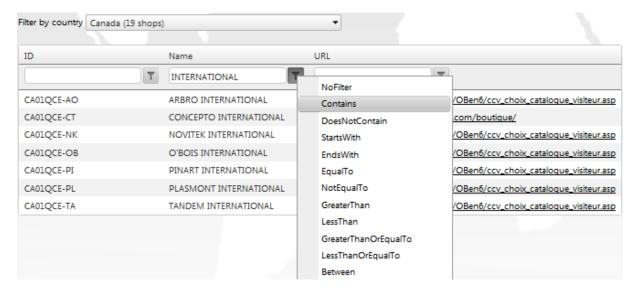
When filtering by country, a list of all active Webshops in that country is provided (see example for Canada in *Figure 20*).

Figure 20: Filtering Webshops by country



A user can choose more than one filter (ID, Name, URL). For example, to find webshops in Canada which name contains the word "International". In this case, the user chooses the additional filter "Name" and select the criterion "Contains" (see *Figure 21*).

Figure 21: Filtering webshops by ID, Name and URL



Export Documents

Export Documentation

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/ExportDocs/ExportDocs.aspx

This section can be used to find models of documents for exporting to different countries around the world. Documents can be downloaded and modified for national/local use as needed.

In the section View Export Documentation, you can choose your location and the location you are exporting to (see *Figure 22*). It gives a list of the required documentation and explanation of the exporting process. A download section enables a fully-functioning document download (see *Figure 23*).

Figure 22: Export from USA to a European country

Select your region and the region you are exporting to

You are located in

European Community member country

European non EU-member country

Canada

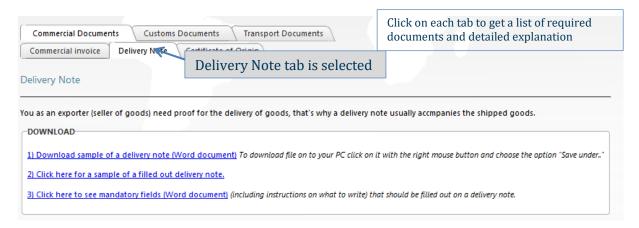
USA

South America, Asia or Africa

a grey dash indicates that the exporting location (the USA) and importing location (Europen) are selected



Figure 23: A list of the required documentation and explanation



By clicking on each tab, a user gets an explanation of each procedure.

A download section enables document downloads.

Export Library

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/ExportDocs/ExportLibrary.aspx

This section contains documents describing the exporting process, glossaries, export rules and regulations and a section on International Payments methods.

Contact Lists and Links

This menu item leads to the main website of EUROPEN-PEN International, where a user can find information about the association and its history, member countries, events and links to our social media. There are other contact lists in the WebApp that are only accessible by the national Central Office and include contact information for CO staff.

Documents Library

Materials that can be found under this menu item include:

- Technical Documents guidelines for using the WebApp portal including this guide https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/WebAppDoc.aspx
- PE Documentation Business Letter Models and Glossaries
 https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/ProfessionalBusinessLetters.aspx
- Members Trade Fair Guidelines main information, rules and regulations for participating at Trade Fairs in different countries https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/ViewDocs.aspx?CatId=104&SubCatId=104



Media

A direct link to the dedicated PEN Worldwide YouTube Channel, where videos in different partner languages on the PE concept can be found.

http://www.penworldwide.org/media.html

Marketing Materials

Materials that can be found under this menu item:

Logos and Graphics:

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/LogoGraphicsDoc.aspx

PEN Worldwide marketing materials such as a style guide, logo package, PPT template and more can be found here. The materials may be used by members in their local marketing, websites, portals, etc. as an indication of membership in the international association.

The Style Guide provides the guidelines for proper use of our Logo (colours, style, spacing considerations, etc.), spelling of name and possible typography for text.

There are different logo packages provided for downloading, including colour, greyscale, white logos in all sizes.

You can create your PowerPoint presentation using PowerPoint Master Template that is downloadable in PPT format.

Members Marketing Materials:

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/MembersMarketingMaterial.aspx

A country-based list of downloadable marketing materials, such as national flyers, logo, website link, etc., for each member country that supplied materials. PEs have access to the materials of their own country and to the materials of all other member countries of the association that have supplied materials.

Statistics

The statistic of "International PEs per Country" and "International PEs by Region" is provided (see *Figure 24* and *Figure 25* respectively). An International PE is a PE that carries out international trade and has been marked as International by their national Central Office. Only PEs that have been marked in the database as *trading internationally* have been included in the list of International PEs. PEs that trade national-only are excluded from the list.

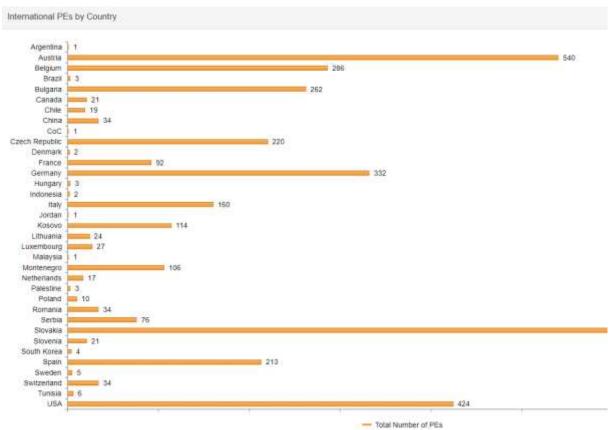


Figure 24: International PEs per Country

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/FAQ/ShowFAQ.aspx?catID=1

The answers to Frequently Asked Questions about using the WebApp are provided under this menu item.

User Guides

User Guides are available in English language for the WebApp, the association bank program and the credit card system

Here is the WebApp User Guide:

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/ViewDocs.aspx?CatId=135&SubCatId=135

Here is the User Guide for the Bank System:

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/ViewDocs.aspx?CatId=136&SubCatId=136 Here is the User Guide for the CCI credit card system.

https://penapps.penworldwide.org/Docs/ViewDocs.aspx?CatId=137&SubCatId=137

This is the end of the User Guide.

For any additional questions or for suggestions for this guide, please contact your national Central Office.