Opposition systems

Estonia

According to the Article 50 of the Patents Act of Estonia, any person may file an opposition with the Board of Appeals against a granted patent within nine months from the publication date of the notice of grant of the patent.

A patent shall be revoked on the following grounds:

1) the subject matter shall not be protected by a patent;
2) the invention lacks novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
3) the invention is not disclosed in the description of the invention in a sufficiently clear and concise manner to enable a person skilled in the art to make the invention;
4) the invention protected by the patent, including an invention divided from an initial patent application, does not correspond to the subject matter as disclosed in the initial patent application as filed.

The person who filed a revocation application may contest a decision of the Board of Appeal in petition proceedings before the court within three months from the date of publication of the decision.