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**(54) Title (EN):** METHODS FOR PRODUCING AND/OR RESTORING MULTI-CLICKABLE E-MAIL SIGNATURES, ASSOCIATED E-MAIL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

**(54) Title (FR):** PROCEDES D'ELABORATION ET/OU DE RESTITUTION DE SIGNATURES PLURI-CLIQUABLES DE COURRIELS, SYSTEME DE GESTION DE COURRIELS ASSOCIE

**(57) Abstract:**

**(EN):** The invention relates to a system for managing e-mails (M) including a signature (SG) designating an image (I) comprising one or more clickable areas (ZI1, ZI2). In order to make such a signature accessible by any electronic messaging client (MUA), a signature server (LSI) is configured to implement a method (200) for generating fragments (FI) of said image (I), in response to receiving fragmented requests (RF) transmitted by one such messaging client while a set of program instructions (SCP) are interpreted that describe said signature (SG) in the form of an association of adjacent containers provided to accommodate said image fragments (FI), even, for some of them, a hyperlink. The invention further relates to a method for assisting the generation (100) of such an interoperable signature (SG).

**(FR):** L'invention concerne un système de gestion de courriels (M) comportant une signature (SG) désignant une image (I) comportant un ou plusieurs zones cliquables (ZI1, ZI2). Pour rendre une telle signature consultable par tout client de messagerie électronique (MUA), un serveur de signatures (LSI) est agencé pour mettre en œuvre un procédé (200) pour élaborer des fragments (FI) de ladite image (I), en réponse à la réception de requêtes en fragment (RF) transmises par un tel client de messagerie lors de l'interprétation d'un ensemble d'instructions de programme (SCP) décrivant ladite signature (SG) sous la forme d'une association de conteneurs adjacents prévus pour héberger lesdits fragments d'images (FI), voire, pour certains, un hyperlien. L'invention concerne en outre un procédé d'aide à l'élaboration (100) d'une telle signature (SG) interopérable.

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