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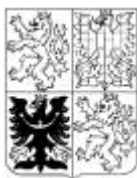
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- The term “patent” covers utility models and SPCs.
- Information related to design patent activities reported by industrial property offices issuing design patents is included in the series of documents SCIT/ATR/ID.



**INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OFFICE  
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Re: *Task No. 24 of the SCIT Work Program:*  
*Annual Technical Reports on Patent Information Activities in 1999*

Dear Mr. Wittig,

In reply to your letter C.SCIT 2486 from March 16, 2000 we are sending you in the enclosure the Annual Technical Report on Patent Information Activities of the Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic in 1999.

Sincerely yours,

Svetlana Kopecká  
Director  
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## **Annual Technical Report on Patent Information Activities in 1999**

Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic

### I. Evolution of patent activities:

In comparison with the year 1998 there were no substantial changes as to the patent and utility model activities. In 1999, 4 797 patent applications and 1 384 utility model applications were filed, 1 482 patents were granted and 1 368 utility models registered.

### II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, distribution and use of primary and secondary sources of patent information:

- patent documents and 1368 utility models were printed; abstracts printed on all title pages of patent documents; Official Gazette issued monthly (Part A - Inventions, Utility Models, Topographies, Industrial Design (Part B - Trademarks); abstracts and drawings published in announcements concerning patent applications in the Gazette.
- Printing and photocopying without changes; Gazette printing prepared by DESK TOP PUBLISHING.
- Production of the Official Gazette on CD-ROM continued; the Gazette was also available in the computer network.
- CD-ROM ESPACE PRECES (Patents from the Region of Eastern and Central European States) continued, including also Czech patent documents; 14 discs were produced (vol. 5-10/1998, vol. 1-8/1999).
- CD-ROM PRECES ACCESS (Bibliographic data and abstracts of the patents from the Region of Eastern and Central European States); 2 discs were produced (vol. 2/1998, vol. 1/1999).

### III. Matters concerning abstracting, classifying, reclassifying and indexing of technical information contained in patent documents:

- Abstracts printed on title pages of all patent documents and in the Gazette - Part A.

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IV. Search file establishment and upkeep:

- Patent documents from 16 countries and EPO received; Patent Gazettes from 54 countries, including EPO and PCT received.
- No changes as regards search files for examiners and the public.

V. Activities in the field of computerized and other mechanized search systems:

- Searches carried out in DC STN, DIALOG and QUESTEL.
- Databases PFS EPIDOS in Vienna and EPIDOS in Hague used.
- Creating the search database of Czech and Czechoslovak granted patent documents, published applications and registered utility models continued; data will be made accessible through Internet during 2000.
- Office automation management system used (data since 1986); following databases operated: Patent applications, industrial design applications, register of inventors, register of applicants and register of organizations corresponding with the Office.
- Following CD-ROM search systems used: CASSISS (US), ACCESS (EP), PATOS (DE), PAJ, LEGAL, US SEARCH and GLOBALPAT.

VI. Administration of the industrial property office library and services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, for assisting clients on searching procedures, for obtaining official publications and registry extracts):

- No changes in the library.
- Methodical and consultation assistance for the public is given in the reading room and service section.

- Reprographic services assured.
- Search systems on CD-ROM used.
- Patent documents on CD-ROM of EP, WO, DE, US, GB, AT, BE, LU, NL, CH, DK, FR, JP available.

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- CD-ROM ESPACE-BULLETIN utilized.
- Czech patent documents sent to the public according to thematic profiles defined by the IPC.
- Electronic order forms of patent searches were available through the Internet.

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of patent documentation and information

- Paper documents without changes.
- Exchange of CD-ROM carriers.
- Patent applications filed in paper form.

VIII. Other relevant matters concerning education and training in, and promotion of, the use of patent information, including technical assistance to developing countries:

- Various courses and seminars were organized for the Czech public; excursions for enterprises and schools were accepted.
- The Office held the seminar Industrial Property Information 2000.
- Office staff members participated in the seminars and conferences organized by the EPO, e.g. PATLIB, EPIDOS, RIPP training.
- Training for participants from Brunei and St. Lucia organized in cooperation with WIPO.