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An annual series of reports on the industrial design information activities of members of the Standing Committee on Information Technologies

[–] The expression "industrial design" covers designs and models.

Information related to design patent activities reported by industrial property offices issuing design patents is included in this series of documents.

SLOVENIAN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE (SIPO) ANNUAL TECHNICAL REPORT ON INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION ACTIVITIES IN 1999

I. EVOLUTION OF REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES

In 1999, SIPO received 138 national applications, a 10.8 % increase from the previous year. The number of applications for international registrations under the Hague Agreement, requesting protection in Slovenia also increases from the previous year.

The working draft of the new Law on Industrial Property available on the SIPO Internet home page includes new provisions on industrial design protection.

II. MATTERS CONCERNING THE GENERATION, REPRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN DOCUMENTS AND OF SECONDARY SOURCES OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION

Nothing new to report.

III. MATTERS CONCERNING CLASSIFYING AND INDEXING OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION ACCORDING TO THE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM APPLIED

Industrial designs are classified according to the Locarno Classification.

IV. SEARCH FILES ESTABLISHMENT AND UNKEEP

Main kind of files is the collection of all national industrial designs in paper form, which is updated continuously, and the collection of international Design Bulletins.

V. ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF COMPUTERIZED SEARCH SYSTEMS FOR INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS

Nothing new to report.

VI. ADMINISTRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC

On-line information services containing bibliographic data on published and granted industrial designs, bulletins and periodicals relating to industrial designs are offered to the public. The Internet home page enables public to get general information on industrial design protection in Slovenia.

Information containing guidance on all aspects of design registration are available free of charge.

VII. MATTERS CONCERNING MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN DOCUMENTATION AND INFORMATION

SIPO exchanges Official Bulletins and CD- ROMs with 17 countries.

VIII. MATTERS CONCERNING EDUCATION AND TRAINING INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPPING COUNTRIES

SIPO organized a training for design examiners from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

In cooperation with the University, SIPO organized various lectures on design protection for students.

SIPO examiners participated at the Seminar on the Hague Agreement organized by WIPO.

SIPO continued to participate at several exhibitions and fairs in Slovenia in order to promote design protection.