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I. Evolution of registration activities:

- In 2001 the evolution of registration activities increased with respect to the previous years.

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001
Romanian applicants	3037	4369	4039	2625	4241	5374
Foreign applicants – total	5980	6427	6822	6435	7085	7198
Wherefrom						
- applications by national route	1148	1186	1429	1143	1187	1075
- applications by Madrid route	4832	5524	5393	5392	5898	6123
Total	9017	10796	10861	9060	11326	12572

II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction and distribution

of secondary sources of trademark information, i.e., trademark gazettes:

- Publishing, printing, copying techniques: the same as before.
- Main types of announcements of the Office in the field of trademark information:

Trademarks applications & registrations, changes, renewals, legal contest; INID codes; the registration and renewal certificates are generated automatically..

- Mass storage media and microforms used: Tape storage and CD-ROM
- Word processing and office automation:

Word perfect: WP 6 for current activities, WP 8 for issuing the Official Gazette of Industrial Property, Mark section.

- Techniques used for the generation of trademark information (printing, recording, microfilming, photocomposing etc.):

printing of Official Gazette Mark Section is done in-house using WPS as word processor and information is recorded also in PDF format. The automation degree of generating documents in the Common Software was increased in 2001.

III. Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of trademark information:

- Classification and reclassification activities; Classification systems used, e.g., International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the

Registration Of Marks (Nice Classification), International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks, (Vienna Classification) other classification (please state whether goods and services for the registration of marks and whether the figurative elements of marks are classified by your Office and, if so, which classification(s) is (are) used: We use only Nice and Vienna International Classifications.

- Use of electronic classification systems to check the classification symbols furnished by an applicant and which are contained in the lists of goods and/or services:

We have a system of programs: Common Software, version 1.3.7 containing a list of Classes according to Nice Classification and NIVILO CD-ROM.

- Obligation for the applicants to use pre-defined terms of the classification applied : We do not ask for it.

- Bibliographic data and processing for search purposes:

There is QBE for bibliographic data in CS version 1.3.7.

IV. Trademark manual search file establishment and upkeep:

- File Building: **NO**.

- Updating: **NO**.

- Storage, including mass storage media and microforms: **NO**.

- Documentation from other offices maintained and/or considered part of the available search file: **NO**.

V. Activities in the field of computerized trademark search systems:

- In-house systems (online/offline): **YES** (Data base, CS)

- External databases: **YES** (ROMARIN; WIPO Database through INTERNET: U.S. OFFICE Database, OFDVII Database, TRACES CD-ROM, 6ter CD-ROM, NIVILO CD-ROM).

- Administrative management systems (e.g., register, legal status, statistics, administrative support etc.): There is a Statistics Chapter in CS v. 1.3.7, as well as WUC statistics.

- Equipment used (hardware, including the types of terminal and network

used, and software), carriers used:

The CS Program systems v 1.3.7 is provided for by EPO. It consists of:

1. Hardware:

- Server GS 80, 1G Ram, 500 GO HDD in RAID.
- Workstation - 28 computers, minimum Pentium 100 MHz, 16 Mo Ram, minimum 600 Mo HDD.
- Network type - Ethernet, 10 Mo/sec

2. Software:

- Server:
 - Unix Thru64
 - Informix V 7.3
- Workstation
 - Windows 95 as Operating System
 - TCP/IP for network connectivity
 - "Common Software", a large Client Application,

VI. Administration of trademark services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, registering trademarks, assisting clients with search procedures, obtaining official publications and registry extracts): We have services for assisting our clients with preliminary searches in the trademarks data bases, for obtaining official publications and registry extracts.

- Planning, administration, automation, security: **NO**.
- Collection management, preservation: We have a preservation workshop for restoring old documents, worn out.

- Information services available to the public (including computerized services and search files contained in libraries remote from your Office and trademark information posted by your Office on the World Wide Web): We have not yet the trademark information posted on the World Wide Web.

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of trademark documentation and information:

- International or regional cooperation in the exchange of trademark information, e.g., in the form of official gazettes: on CD-ROM using TRACES and on paper, our official gazette (BOPI- TRADEMARK SECTION).

We also receive information on US PTO and OHIM containing pending applications and registered trademarks.

- Exchange of machine-readable information:

TRACES project for creating the Common CD-ROM for the following countries:
Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia

**VIII. Matters concerning education and training including technical assistance
to developing countries:**

-Promotional activities (seminars, exhibitions, visits, advertising etc.): **YES**
OSIM organized seminars and training in various regions of Romania, in order to
take industrial property issues more clear for interested persons. At present, there exist
fourteen regional centers in the most important towns (Brasov, Constanta, Bacau,
Oradea, Baia-Mare, Craiova, BistritaNasaud, Braila, Timisoara, Suceava, Iasi,
Covasna, Galati, Targu Mures).

- seminars and conferences in the country
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- participation to fairs across the countries for the entrepreneurial
sectors, small and medium enterprises and business to business
groups;
- training of company specialists;
- contributing to the perception of the offices as a public service for
the general public, focusing on small and medium enterprises and
supported by advertisements and specific pamphlet and prospectus.

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