

**ANNUAL TECHNICAL REPORT  
for the year 1998  
on INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION ACTIVITIES**

**I. EVOLUTION OF REGISTRATION ACTIVITIES.**

- Changes in the number of applications and grants compared with the previous year:

1. Application: 1.505 (83%)
  - Romanian : 626 (61%)
  - Foreign: 879 (113%)
2. Grants: 1.347 (68%)
  - Romanian : 663 (48%)
  - Foreign: 648 (114%)

There was a downward trend in the number of applications filed by Romanian applicants, while the number of applications filed by foreign applicants increased by 13%.

**II. MATTERS CONCERNING THE GENERATION, REPRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN DOCUMENTS AND OF SECONDARY SOURCES OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION, i.e., OFFICIAL GAZETTES :**

The official gazette of OSIM is: **The Official Bulletin of Industrial Property (BOPI)-Industrial Design Section** (published monthly).

Main data published:

- Application:
  - bibliographic data;
  - graphic materials;
- Grants;
- Rejections;
- Renewals;
- Announcements of changes in the legal status;
- An alphabetic index of owners;
- A numerical index of applications.

### **III. MATTERS CONCERNING CLASSIFYING, RECLASSIFYING AND INDEXING OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION ACCORDING TO THE CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS APPLIED:**

To classify industrial design applications, the International Classification of Industrial Designs, the seventh edition, is used.

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

#### **- Existing internal databases:**

- DMI- SEARCH, the access in this database is obtainable at the address [http://intranet.osim.ro/cgi-bin/dmi search](http://intranet.osim.ro/cgi-bin/dmi%20search).

- The industrial design database under Informix.

- The General Analysis for " **Common Software Module Industrial Design**" has begun

prepared by Jouve - through European Patent Office.

#### **- The Office's computer infrastructure is as follows:**

- Internet's network.

- Web servers, e-mail ( [gheorghe.bucsa@osim.ro](mailto:gheorghe.bucsa@osim.ro)), etc.

- TCP/IP Network - 10 MB/s.

2 X ALPHA 2100 Servers, with Digital Unix 4.0D

1 Digital PC - Pentium II - 333Mhz

#### **- The hardware used by Industrial Design Department:**

- 6 PC Digital Pentium;

- two scanners HPScanJet ADF;

- one laser printer XEROX 4510;

- two printers Epson Stylus 820;

- one printer Digital DEC. Writer 110i;

- one printer HP DeskJet.

By means of we elaborate inclusively the Official Bulletin of Industrial Property - B.O.P.I. - Industrial Designs Section.

### **VI. ADMINISTRATION OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.**

The Romanian industrial design collection and application collection comprises in excess of **35.800** design documents.

The Romanian collection is structured by following both the LOC. (7) and the numerical criterion.

O.S.I.M. performs industrial design information services to the public upon request and against payment, on the state of the art, on the legal statuses of certificates and the prevention of infringement risks.

Any service may be requested by mail, fax, e-mail or personally at the OSIM.  
The first issue of the Official Bulletin of Industrial Property - Industrial Designs Section may be consulted on Internet, free of charge.

## **VII. MATTERS CONCERNING MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN AND INFORMATION**

In 1998 the Official Bulletin of Industrial Property - Industrial Designs Section was distributed under exchange agreements to the following countries: AU, AT, BY, BG, CA, CZ, HR, DK, EE, FR, DE, GR, NL, JP, YU, KR, LV, LT, MD, NO, N.Z., PL, RU, SK, SI, ES, SE, UZ, UA, HU, US, IL, PT, TR, Macedonia, Kyrgyz Republic.

- and 6 organizations (BIBLIOTHEK DES DEUTSCHEN PATENTAMTS - Germany, , THE BRITISH LIBRARY - England, CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS SERVICE - U.S.A., DERWENT PATENT ACQUISITION - England, DIRECTION DE TECHNOLOGIIST CAKIDAT Y PROPIEDAD - Argentina, EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE - Germany)

In the same year the OSIM also received gazettes from the following countries: EE, FR, JP, IL, NO, SE, US.

## **VIII. MATTERS CONCERNING EDUCATION AND TRAINING INCLUDING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:**

With regard to the fact that the Industrial Design Division has been functioning for a very short time, a great attention is paid to the education and training of personnel. Concerning the same, the assistance of WIPO and some national offices is used.

Members of the Industrial Design Division personnel have visited the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**.

The Industrial Design Division also rendered technical assistance in industrial design matters to the Agency for the Protection of Industrial Property from the Republic of Moldova.

The Industrial Design Division has participated in various industrial property symposia and seminars where it promoted the industrial property system in force in Romania and also the services and products offered by the OSIM, the training of company specialists as well.