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Annual Technical Report 2012 on Industrial Design Information Activities submitted by Israel (CWS/ATR/ID/2012/IL)

Where URLs are requested below, it is preferred that either URLs which are likely to remain stable over time (three years or more) are provided, or home (main) page URLs are provided with a short explanation of how to access the corresponding information.

The expression "industrial designs" covers industrial designs and models. Offices which issue design patents should report their design patent information activities in this series of Annual Technical Reports.

I. Evolution of registration activities

Changes experienced in terms of application filings and grants (registrations) with respect to the previous year

In 2012 the Israeli Patent and Designs Office received 1560 industrial design applications. The figure for 2011 was 1511. In 2012, 636 industrial design were granted against 861 in 2011.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide statistics related to industrial designs

Statistics can be found in the ILPO's annual report.
<http://old.justice.gov.il/MOJEng/RashamHaptentim/AnnualReport.htm>
kindly note that a new English website will be uploaded shortly and the URL might change.

II. Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, and distribution of industrial design documents and of secondary sources of industrial design information, i.e., official gazettes

Publishing, including printing, copying techniques and electronic printing

The Israel Patent Office publishes information of industrial designs in the Patents and Designs Journal, which is issued once a month. The journal contains only bibliographical information on industrial designs accepted for registration, information about renewals, registrations cancelled and changes in particulars entered in the Register. Images of designs are not published in the Journal.

Judicial decisions of the Commissioner of Patents and Designs are published in Hebrew on the ILPO website.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide access to online industrial design gazettes and to other sources of industrial design information, including download of bulk industrial design data

In Hebrew: <http://index.justice.gov.il/Units/RashamHaptentim/Units/patent/Pages/YomanPatentimVemidgamim.aspx>

III. Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of industrial design information according to the classification systems applied

Classification and reclassification activities; Classification system used, e.g., International Classification for Industrial Designs (Locarno Classification), other classification (please indicate whether industrial designs are classified by your Office and, if so, which classification is used)

The Office uses a national classification system to classify industrial design applications. The major difference between this system and the International Locarno Classification system is that the national classification system forces an objective classification and does not permit the use of the "Miscellaneous" classification.

IV. Search file establishment and upkeep

File building

The search files are manual in the databases of the ILPO and by the Internet.

V. Activities in the field of computerized search systems for industrial designs

In-house systems (online/offline)

An automated support system was being developed for industrial design operations using the MS-Access tool and ACDSYSTEM tool which meets the requirements of image processing data and image search.

Equipment used (hardware, including the types of terminal and network used, and software), data carriers used

The hardware used by Industrial Design Department :

- 6 PC ThinkCenter
- 1 Laptop Lenovo L 412 ThinkPad
- 1 Scanner HP Scanjet 7650
- 1 Printer HP Laser Jet 4000
- 1 Printer HP Laser Jet 4100n
- 1 Printer LEXMARK C544n
- 1 Fax Brother MCF 8880 DN

VI. Administration of industrial design information products and services available to the public (relating to facilities, e.g., for lodging applications, registering designs, assisting clients with search procedures, obtaining official publications and registry extracts)

Planning, administration, automation, security

The Israel Patent Office is the national authority where applications for registration of industrial designs in Israel are filed, examined and registered.

Information services available to the public (including computerized services and search files contained in libraries remote from your Office and industrial design information posted by your Office on the World Wide Web)

The internal library provides the public, free of charge, with information and general advice in relation to application, examination and registration procedures.

The Office provides industrial design information services to the public, upon request and against payment, on the state of art, on the legal status of certificates and on the prevention of infringement risks.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide information on business procedures such as: filing, publication, examination and registration procedures related to industrial designs; opposition and appeal procedures related to industrial designs; etc.

In Hebrew: <http://index.justice.gov.il/Units/RashamHaptentim/Units/midgamim/Pages/default.aspx>

The information will shortly be available in English as well.

VII. Matters concerning mutual exchange of industrial design documentation and information

International or regional cooperation in the exchange of industrial design information, e.g., in the form of official gazettes

We exchange industrial design gazettes with a number of national offices

VIII. Matters concerning education and training, including technical assistance to developing countries (please indicate URLs of web pages of the Office's website wherever appropriate)

Training courses for national and foreign participants

The Office receives trainees from developing countries under the WIPO training program..

IX. Other general information related to the Office that is available on the Internet -- URLs of web pages of the Office's website that:

provide information on legislation related to industrial designs

In Hebrew - <http://index.justice.gov.il/Units/RashamHaptentim/Units/midgamim/Pages/MedaMishpati.aspx>

contain the Annual Report of the Office

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X. Other relevant matters