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

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

Of the total number of 431 industrial design applications filed in 2012, 343 applications were filed by foreign applicants under the Hague Agreement. Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs, while 88 applications were filed directly with the IPO by domestic and foreign applicants (of which 21 were multiple applications, making a total of 133 industrial designs).

Field Industrial Design Applications:

Year Hague Agreement National applications Total
Foreign Domestic

2010 - 258 23 81 362

2011 - 280 24 78 382

2012 - 343 22 66 431

The year 2012 saw the registration of 387 industrial designs, of which 319 were, registered in accordance with the Hague Agreement, and 68 on the basis of applications filed directly with the IPO.

Registered Industrial Design Applications:

Year Hague Agreement National applications Total
Foreign Domestic

2010 - 225 23 92 340

2011 - 255 19 60 334

2012 - 319 19 49 387

Trends or areas experiencing rapid changes with respect to the previous year

Compared to 2011, the number of applications filed directly with the IPO in 2012, was less by 14 (13.72%). The number of applications filed under the Hague Agreement was 343, which was by 63 more than in 2011 (22.5%).

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

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/about-us/annual-report.106.html> in English

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/o-zavodu/godisnji-izvestaji.50.html> in Serbian

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

Intellectual Property Office of Serbia publishes registered national industrial designs on CD-ROM, 6 times a year.

Main types of announcements of the Office in the field of industrial design information

Design are published in the Intellectual Property Gazette contained bibliographical data and graphical presentations or images of the industrial design registrations. The Intellectual Property Gazette, in the part referring to industrial designs, is prepared by means of computer using an IPAS system. The following information and bibliographical data concerning registered domestic and international Industrial Design are published in the Intellectual Property Gazette – registration number, application number, filing date, registration date, date of granted priority right, validity date, information on the holder of title, information about the design has been registered. Industrial designs are published in grayscale technique and color technique.

Mass storage media and microforms used

The dossiers are on paper and are stored following the registration number or the application number for the refusals.

Databases and office automation

The Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Serbia uses the national data base of design applications and registered designs, application software IPAS. There are national and international (according to the Hague Agreement concerning Serbia) database with graphical presentations or images.

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

Web site of the Office provides access to online industrial design gazettes and to other sources of industrial design information, including possibility to download of bulk industrial design data.

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/information-services/intellectual-property-gazette.462.html> in English

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/-/-48.html> in Serbian

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)

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Bibliographic data and processing

The classification is used for the novelty examination search, for commercial search and for statistics.

IV. Search file establishment and upkeep

File building

Application for the grant of design right is filed to the IPO exclusively in the paper format and it is entered in the application register. It gets the application number there. The examiner determines the class of the Locarno Classification. The image of the design is scanned and entered in the IPAS data base together with the relevant data from the application. The application which meets the legally prescribed conditions for protection (novelty of design and possession of individual character) is registered. The registration number is entered in the Register of Designs and IPAS data base. The bibliographic data of the granted design and its image from the IPAS data base is forwarded to the Publication Department for the publication of registered rights and they publish the registered design in the Intellectual Property Gazette. Applications which have been rejected and refused are entered in the Register of Design Applications and the files are sent to the archive.

Updating

Every change concerning the application or the granted design is entered in the appropriate registers and in the IPAS data base.

Storage, including mass storage media

The storage is in boxes and storage closets.

Documentation from other offices maintained and/or considered part of the available search file

The most important document for the Office is the one obtained from the WIPO and that is WIPO INTERNATIONAL DESIGNS BULLETIN.

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

In-house systems (online/offline)

The Intellectual Property Office of the Republic of Serbia uses the national data base of design applications and registered designs, IPAS. The registered designs are available to the public on the web site of the Office.

External databases

There are Internet external databases available. RCD-online is used.

Administrative management systems (e.g., register, legal status, statistics and administrative support)

IPAS application.

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

Hardware: Fujitsu SIEMENS
Server: Fujitsu SIEMENS Primergy
Workstations: Windows XP as OS, MS Office as general document management,
Software: Oracle 10GR1, IPAS application software
Server: WINDOWS 2003 Server Standard edition OS, Oracle 10gi as DBMS
Internet access – dedicated optical connection to the provider.

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

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)

Collection management, preservation

The information services available to the public through the OFFICE are as follows:

1. Search according to the year of filing of the application,
2. Search according to the applicant,
3. Search according to the holder of rights,
4. Search according to the application number,
5. Search according to the registration number,
6. Search according to classes,
7. Search according to the title of the product,
8. Combination of the above mentioned.

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)

Information on the registered industrial designs in Serbia is available on the site of the Office.

URLs of web pages of the Office's website for electronic filing of industrial design applications

Not available.

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.

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/intellectual-property-rights/designs/most-frequently-asked.76.html> in English
<http://www.zis.gov.rs/prava-is/dizajn/najcesca-pitanja.18.html> in Serbian

URLs of web pages of the Office's website that provide a description of information products and services offered by the Office (e.g., industrial design search service(s) and industrial design databases), as well as information on how to access and utilize them

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/intellectual-property-rights/designs/forms-and-instructions.86.html> in English
<http://www.zis.gov.rs/prava-is/dizajn/--.20.html> in Serbian

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

The Official Gazette is available as an electronic publication at the IPO web-site.

Exchange of machine-readable information, e.g., data contained on CD-ROM or magnetic tape

The Office received gazettes from the following countries: BG, BY, CN, RU and UA.

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)

Promotional activities (seminars, exhibitions, visits, advertising, etc.)

In course of 2012 Education and Information Center held 83 seminars with different level of expertise for: SMEs, SMEs support institutions, institutes, universities, enforcement institutions and general public with 2533 participants. Also, Office introduced the service of Intellectual Property Pre-diagnosis in 2010 (7), in 2011 this service was delivered to 21 SMEs and in 2012 to 40 SMEs., a. Beside the regular consultancy on daily basis, EIC had 12 Open door events, once a month for consultancy in groups.

IPO had a stand at the following fairs:

- Science is not a bogeyman, Nis March 2013
- Trade fair in Nova Pazova, April 2013
- International Technical fair in Belgrade, May 2012
- International Agricultural fair in Novi Sad, May 2012
- Trade fair in Paracin, October 2012
- TESLA FEST in Novi Sad -the biggest inventor's exhibition in Serbia, October 2012
- INOCOOP Fair of entrepreneurship in Zrenjanin - August 2012
- Business database fair in Belgrade, December 2012

At five regional or trade fairs IPO participated with the lectures upon invitations from organizers.

On several occasions, the experts from the Group for designs and geographical indications gave interviews in the daily papers and specialized magazines on the importance and procedure of protection of industrial designs.

Training courses for national and foreign participants

IPO had established the Education and Information Center (EIC) in 2009. EIC has developed in previous three years a range of different type of seminars for different stakeholder groups. Lectures can be tailor made. Also, the IPO is equipped with the modern public library, and the premises for seminars and educational purpose.

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/home.334.html>

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

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/intellectual-property-rights/designs/legislative-texts.77.html> in English

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/prava-is/dizajn/.19.html> in Serbian

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contain industrial design-related news regarding the Office

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/news/news.104.html> in English

<http://www.zis.gov.rs/.46.html> in Serbian

X. Other relevant matters