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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

In the year 2003 there were enacted by the competent fora the following normative documents:

- the implementing Regulations of the republished Industrial Design Law no. 129/1992 the Government Decision no. 1171/2003;
- the republication of the Industrial Design Law no. 129/1992, amended by the law no. 585/2002.

Changes in the number of applications and compared with the previous year: See the attached file.

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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: OFFICIAL INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY BULLETIN (BOPI) - Section "Industrial Designs". It contains: All data on industrial designs applications within OSIM, lists containing the issued certificates information on the changes in the legal status, others. The Official Bulletin is available on paper and CD-ROM formats.

Main data published:

- Application (bibliographic data, graphic materials);
- Grants:
- Refusals:
- 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.

IV. Search file establishment and upkeep

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

- * Since April 2003 "Common Software ID" is into production
- * The Office's computer infrastructure is as follows:
- -Internet's network
- -Web servers, e-mail (gheorghe.bucsa@osim.ro), etc.
- -TCP/IP Network- 100 MB/s
- -1XALPHA 21 DO Server, with Digital Unix 4.0D
- -Server GS 80; 1 GRAM; 500 GB HDD in RAID
- * The hardware used by Industrial Design Departament:
- -20 PC Digital Pentium;
- -two scanners HP ScanJet ADF;
- -one laser printer XEROX 4510;

VI. Administration of industrial design 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)

The Romanian industrial design collection and application collection comprise in excess of 54.607 designs.

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, 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 documentation and information

In 2003, the Official Bulletin of Industrial Property - Section "Industrial Designs", 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, MD, NO, NZ, PL, RU, SK, SI. ES, SE, UZ, UA, HU, US, IT, PT, TR. Macedonia, Kyrgyzstan and to 6 organizations: BIBLIOTHEK DES DEUTSCHEN PATENTAMTS-Germany, THE BRITISH LIBRARY-England, CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS SERVICE- USA, DERWENT PATENT ACQUISITION-England, DIRECTION E TECHNOLOGIAST CAKIDATY PROPRIEDAD- Argentina, EUROPEAN PATENT OFFICE;

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, great attention is paid to education and training of personnel. Concerning the same, the assistance of WIPO and some national offices is used.

Members of the Industrial Design Division have participated in following promotional activities:

- seminars and conferences in the country

- participation in fairs across the countries for the entrepreneurial sectors, small and medium size 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 size enterprises and supported by advertisments and specific pamphlets and prospectus.

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IX. Other relevant matters