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Annual Technical Report on Industrial Design Information Activities in 2014 submitted by Slovakia

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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. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Outline of main policies and plans aimed at development of industrial design information activities and expected time frames for their realization

In 2013 strategy of the Office's activities by 2016 was adopted. It contains inter alia activities in the patent information area:

- To prepare the draft of the conception of the Office's information services development by 2016 in accordance with the Strategic Plan of the Office;
- To identify the WIPO standards related to public services and data providing which are not or are partially implemented at the Office and to prepare the proposal for their implementation with the publication of their content in Slovak language for public;
- To prepare the proposal for implementation of new standardised processes and outputs of the Office related to provided services;
- To prepare the proposal for implementation of new and modification of existing public services of the Office;
- To implement a new complex package of public services with relevant information materials and documents.

Evaluation of the period 2013 - 2016 in the area of information services and the report on their status and perspectives is planned for the end of 2016.

New projects launched or resumed this year in the context of the policies(plans) mentioned above, short description: aims, partners, tasks

Since 2011 the Office have realised the Projects of the Cooperation Fund of the Office for Harmonisation in the Internal Market (trade marks and designs – OHIM) aimed at more effective providing services to national offices experts and clients and harmonization of the practice of national offices in proceedings on applications of trade marks and designs.

In 2014 the tools realised through the mentioned projects were used actively and were available not only to national Office experts but also to public. These are tools in applications DesignView (Registered designs search tool) and Quality (Centralising information on IP Office quality standards).

More information is on the web site <https://www.tmdn.org/>

In 2014 also the Project Common Central Database, implemented in OHIM and used by experts of the Office's Call Centre to build so-called Knowledge Database, was launched. It means that questions about CTM or RCD or related questions are transferred by the Office's experts to OHIM experts to harmonise answers about CTM or RCD.

Since 2012 the Office has been cooperating with industrial property offices of the European Union member states through the European Trade Mark and Design Network within the OHIM Convergence Programme aimed at harmonisation of practice and eliminating differences of national industrial property offices procedures on trade mark and designs and at gradual implementation of the Projects:

CP6 Graphic Representation of a Design

CP7 Harmonisation of Product Indications

In co-operation with the external company the Office launched the project Electronic Services of the IPO SR aimed at inter alia preparation of new modern web registers of the Office. In 2014 the work continued under the agreed timetable.

Main areas of industrial design information activities and related information and communication technology (ICT) practices which were in the focus of attention last year

Projects and activities in before-mentioned item were realised in cooperation with the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market.

Statistics: changes in terms of application filings and grants (registrations) with respect to previous year; trends or areas experiencing rapid changes

100 design applications were filed with the IPO SR in 2014; it is 20 per cent less than in 2013. The most active foreign applicants were from the Czech Republic (11) and Sweden (6).

Slovak applicants filed 82 applications (decrease by 18.8 per cent). The share of domestic applications was 82 per cent of the total number of filed applications.

102 designs were registered in 2014; that is 20.3 per cent less than in 2013.

On December 31, 2014 there were 887 valid national designs in the Slovak Republic.

For comparison there is the statistics on design applications and registrations of the years 2010 – 2014.

[Industrial design statistics_2014.docx](#)

Other matters and useful links (URLs): annual report of the Office, news page, statistics, etc.

Annual Technical Reports on Designs: <http://www.upv.sk/?vyrocne-technicke-spravy>

<http://www.wipo.int/cws/en/atrs/>

Annual Reports of the IPO SR: <http://www.upv.sk/?annual-reports>

Design-related news <http://www.upv.sk/>

Useful links <http://www.upv.sk/?linky>

<http://www.upv.sk/?dalsie-uzitocne-linky>

Intellectual Property Magazine <http://www.upv.sk/?dusevne-vlastnictvo>

IPO SR and IPO CZ Publications <http://www.upv.sk/?publikacie>

IPO SR E-Zine <http://www.upv.sk/?e-zine-upv-sr>

II. SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Information and support provided by the Office to applicants regarding filing on paper and/or e-filing (instructions, seminars, etc.) - URLs

Basic information for applicants related to IP subject matters applications are available on the website of the Office www.upv.sk. These are mainly application forms of particular type of industrial property right, legislation, instructions of the IPO SR and information for applicant, administrative fees, contact to expert assistance, etc. Below there are the individual areas of IP subject matters and relevant information sources with links to website of the Office, where they are available:

Designs <http://www.upv.sk/?dizajny>

What Is a Design ?

<http://www.upv.sk/?what-is-a-design>

Information for Applicants

<http://www.upv.sk/?designs-information-for-applicant>

Legislation - Designs

<http://www.upv.sk/?legislation-designs>

Administrative Fees - Designs

<http://www.upv.sk/?administrative-fees-designs>

Filing Abroad

<http://www.upv.sk/?dizajny-prihlasovanie-do-zahranicia>

Design Classifications

<http://www.upv.sk/?dizajny-systemy-triedenia>

Downloads

<http://www.upv.sk/?downloads>

<http://www.upv.sk/?dizajny-dokumenty-na-prevzatie>

Data Extracted from Register

<http://registre.indprop.gov.sk/registre/searchForm.do?lang=en®ister=vz>

Contacts

<http://www.upv.sk/?contacts>

Currently the Office does not provide services enabling to file designs via electronic means signed by electronic signature.

Availability of the application dossier in electronic form

The Office conducts the application file only in the paper form.

Classification and reclassification activities; classification system used, e.g., International Classification for Industrial Designs (Locarno Classification), other classification

The current version of the International Classification for Industrial Design (Locarno Classification) is used for classifying of designs, which are classified by Office's experts.

The WIPO Standard ST.80 is used for design bibliographic data coding in all relevant outcomes or records. All bibliographic data are being processed in electronic database form. The fully searchable data are updated and made available to the public daily in the Internet.

Other activities

Information Centre

<http://www.upv.sk/?information-centre>

Within their professional consultancy activities, the Centre staff provides the public with the necessary IPR-related information valid not only in the Slovak republic but also in international context personally, by telephone (+421 48 4300 131), mail or e-mail infocentrum@indprop.gov.sk or by fax.

Information centre dealt with 8,011 requests for information; 6 055 were provided by phone, 1,729 by e-mail and 227 personally.

Pre-diagnostics of industrial property rights

<http://www.upv.sk/?prediagnostika-priemyselnych-prav>

To increase the IP awareness, to support innovations, creativity and competitiveness of small and middle-sized enterprises is a primary goal of the IP pre-diagnostics, which have been provided by the IPO SR experts since 2008. During 2014 the Office's employees visited 15 companies in whole Slovakia. The most of them were from self-governing regions of Prešov (3), Trenín (3) and Bratislava (3).

Workplace of the IPO SR in Bratislava

Workplace of the Office, which was opened in 2004 offered information relating to filing applications for industrial property rights subjects last year. In the workplace, there is a filing room.

III. SOURCES OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE

Main types of publications in the field of industrial design information, outline of the content (industrial design applications, design patents, registrations, etc.) and medium (on paper, on CDs, online - URLs)

The Office publishes announcements relating to registered design publications in the Official Gazette.

The following numbers of registered designs were published in the Official Gazette 2014:

107 registered designs

66 registered designs with the extended term of validity

Official Gazette "Vestník ÚPV SR"

<http://www.upv.sk/?vestnik-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-slovenskej-republiky>

Design information forms part of the Official Gazette - "Vestník ÚPV SR", covering all industrial property rights in one publication. In 2014 the Gazette had a circulation of 100 copies, of which 22 were distributed monthly by subscription. Other copies were sent free of charge to patent information centres and contact and information points of the IPO SR, to information and consulting sites INNOINFO, within the frame of industrial property information exchange to foreign offices and as statutory copies according to the act as well.

Official Gazettes: main types of announcements, frequency of publication, medium (on paper, on CDs, online - URL), etc.

IPO SR publishes official version of the Official Gazette in electronic form on CD ROM in PDF format. The electronic version of the Gazette in PDF format is available via Internet address <http://www.upv.sk/?vestnik-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-slovenskej-republiky>.

The Gazette contains design announcements arranged in following main chapters:

- registered designs (list of registered designs and their bibliographic data arranged according to the classes of the Locarno Classification)
- registered designs with extended term of validity (list of registered designs with extended term of validity and their bibliographic data arranged according to the classes of the Locarno Classification)
- registered designs with postponed publishing (list of registered designs with postponed publishing and their bibliographic data arranged according to the classes of the Locarno Classification)
- published registered designs after expiration of adjournment term of publishing (list of published registered designs after expiration of adjournment term of publishing and their bibliographic data arranged according to the classes of the Locarno Classification)
- assignments and transfers of rights and other changes of owners
- cancellation of design registrations
- partial cancellation of design registrations

- registered designs lapsed by abandonment
- registered designs partially lapsed by abandonment
- registered designs lapsed by expiry of the validity
- extension of the validity of registered designs
- forfeitures of protection and transfers of an owner (on the basis of the court decision)
- changes of the rights of disposal to registered designs (lien)
- changes of the rights of disposal to registered designs (termination of lien)
- registration of licensing contracts
- termination of licensing contracts
- corrections of names, addresses, dates and mistakes

Information products (coverage, medium, etc.) available to examiners, including external documentation and databases

- IPO SR Official Gazette <http://www.upv.sk/?vestnik-uradu-priemyselneho-vlastnictva-slovenskej-republiky>
- Extracted data from register <http://registre.indprop.gov.sk/registre/?lang=en>
- Internal database system "INVENTIO" for managing the industrial property subjects
- Freely accessible foreign databases <http://www.upv.sk/?zahranicne-online-databazy#dizajny>

External databases

Internet databases in particular:

- Registered industrial designs database of the IPO CZ, coverage: CZ
- WIPO International Design Bulletin
- Hague Express Database (WIPO International Design Database), coverage: WIPO
- OHIM Community Trademarks Database accessible via e-search at the OHIM portal, coverage: -OHIM applications
- National database USPTO coverage US
- National database IPOUK coverage GB
- research system Designview, coverage: OHIM, WIPO and national databases of certain EU countries *and also outside EU (coverage changes by the access of other countries)*

See also foreign collections of gazettes, optical discs and databases as parts of the examination file mentioned in the Chapter 4.

Information products (coverage, medium, etc.) and services available to external users; conditions of access (e.g., free of charge, subscription, etc.)

ON-LINE DATABASES

<http://www.upv.sk/?databases-and-registers>

IPO SR makes accessible various databases on its web site. Freely accessible national databases are:

- "Data extracted from Registers" <http://registre.indprop.gov.sk/registre/?lang=en> also called "Webregisters" give public access to data extracted from design register, which are kept by the Office with the possibility of simple and advanced search or browsing results. Data concerning in particular pending design applications, all filed applications or registered designs in the register are daily updated.
- "Classification Systems" <http://www.upv.sk/?systemy-triedenia> contains design classifications used in Slovakia, links to other classifications systems for classifying designs used in the world and other useful information <http://www.upv.sk/?systemy-triedenia-dizajny>
- Official Gazette "Vestník ÚPV SR" may be viewed on the address <http://www.upv.sk/?official-gazette> - each issue is available as a one PDF file containing the whole issue. At the same time it is divided into PDF files containing only selected parts of the gazette, e.g.: patents, designs, trademarks or official announcements. In the archive on this webpage are available the previous volumes also in PDF format. The older volumes are gradually being added.

In the part "International and EU databases" there are links to the most frequently used on-line databases <http://www.upv.sk/?zahranicne-online-databazy#dizajny>.

Products and services

URL addresses providing basic information concerning the information services offered and information products issued by the Office and other relevant information relating to their accession and utilization:

- IPO SR Official Gazette <http://www.upv.sk/?official-gazette>
- magazine "Intellectual Property" <http://www.upv.sk/?dusevne-vlastnictvo>
- <http://www.upv.sk/?other-products>

- IPO SR and IPO CZ publications <http://www.upv.sk/?publikacie>
<http://www.upv.sk/?other-products>
- IPO SR E-zine <http://www.upv.sk/?e-zine-upv-sr>
- on-line order forms <http://www.upv.sk/?online-orders>
- price list http://www.upv.sk/swift_data/source/pdf/Cennik.pdf
- data extracted from register <http://www.upv.sk/?databases-and-registers>
- IPO SR reading room <http://www.upv.sk/?other-services>
- searches <http://www.upv.sk/?searches>
- search system Designview <https://www.tmdn.org/tmdsview-web/welcome.html?lang=sk>
- Information centre <http://www.upv.sk/?information-centre>
- Contacts <http://www.upv.sk/?contacts>

The Office library provides following services to the public:

- providing general information and professional consulting assistance for the public
- lending service (Official Gazettes, special monographs and reference literature) in the reading room
- sale of special monographs and periodical publications ("Intellectual Property" in paper, Official Gazette "Vestník ÚPV SR" on CD-ROM) upon request or on the place
- reprographic services upon request or on the place
- on-line searches in Office's search system, self-service during a personal visit
- searches upon request - orders in written and online form
- registry information provided in the reading room
- CD-ROM workstations available in the reading room

Industrial design and related information on the World Wide Web:

- general information
- information about Office activities (seminars, training courses, etc.)
- application guide and forms
- administrative fees
- relevant laws
- Annual Reports
- extracted data from register
- Official Gazette
- order forms (searches, Official Gazette, special literature)
- Locarno Classification (10-th edition)
- design classifications and related information
- annual technical reports on design information (2002-2014)

Legal status information (kind of information, coverage, medium, etc.)

Information on the legal status is in the internal register of trade marks. The Office provides information on the request in the form of an extract from the Register. In addition, data of this type are also published in the IPO SR database on the internet <http://www.upv.sk/?databases-and-registers> but have only informative character and do not substitute the extract from the Register; similar to the system Designview where the data are mentioned by the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market based on the information from the IPO SR within the common project.

Other sources

In addition the Office makes single captures of the Journal available monthly on the portal www.zbierka.sk.

IV. ICT SUPPORT TO SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Specific software tools supporting business procedures within the Office: general description, characteristics, advantages, possible improvements

Hardware used to supporting business processes of the Office

LAN is a net built on the technology Cisco, Fast ETHERNET 1000/100/10 Mbit/s, WINDOWS 2003 / 2008 Server, 2008 R2 Server, 2012 R2 Server; MS SQL Server 2005 / 2008; working stations PC Pentium, Windows XP / 7, thin client WYSE V10, WYSE S10, HP t5740.

Linux Red Hat Enterprise 5.0

Citrix XenApp 6.5, 7.6

SAN HP MSA 1500 CS, SAN HP MSA P2000, G3, EMC VNX 5100

HP MSL LT04 4048, MSL LZ05 2024

HP open view Storage Data Protector version A.08.10

Internal databases: coverage, updates, interlinks with external sources

The online design database kept by the Industrial Property Office serves for national design searches and purposes of proceedings on design applications. Selected register data are available to the public in the Internet <http://www.upv.sk/?databases-and-registers>.

Establishment and maintenance of electronic search file: file building, updating, storage, documents from other offices included in the search file

The Office builds, keeps and completes regularly the examination file containing national registered designs via the internal system Inventio. Selected data are available to public in webregisters and are being updated daily. It is possible to carry out searches according to bibliographic data in all the databases used for designs.

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

Design gazettes form also part of the available search files of the Office. In 2014, within the frame of mutual exchange, the IPO SR continued in receiving design gazettes from the following states: Bulgaria, Kyrgyzstan and Ukraine.

Administrative management electronic systems (register, legal status, statistics, and administrative support)

Official automated system for managing the industrial property subjects "INVENTIO" contains designs register (data since 1991).

Administrative databases based on Lotus Domino and Fabasoft eGov Suite.

Other matters

V. PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AIMED TO SUPPORT USERS IN ACCESS AND EFFICIENT USE OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION

Office's library (if deals with industrial design information): equipment, collection management, network of libraries in the country, cooperation with foreign libraries

In 2014, the Office's reading room has been visited by 1 006 users. In total there were provided 5 428 borrowings of patent and other literature made available to the public and 2 169 copies of patent documents and other industrial property documents for the manual and computer search purposes, as well as copies from technical periodicals and other associated and non-patent literature were made. In 2014 there were performed 8 design searches and 92 searches on bibliographic data.

The Office's reading room serves as a WIPO deposit library as well. The deposit library fund includes 211 volumes of publications issued by WIPO, which are available for study in reading room.

The Office's reading room including the search workstation opens daily from 8:00 to 15:00.

In 2014, within the frame of mutual exchange of industrial-property information, the IPO SR continued in receiving of design information in the form of official gazettes. Non-patent literature was acquired mostly by purchase or as a gift and processed, stored according to librarian rules and made available via in-house database system "Knižnica" to the staff.

Patent Information Centres and Contact and Information Points

Since 2003 the Office has established 10 contact and information points, while four of them are the Patent Information Centres. They are located in state, regional and district libraries as well as in the Slovak National Library (SNK) in Martin and Centre of Scientific and Technical Information (CVTI) in Bratislava. A list of centres and points is available on the Office's web site <http://www.upv.sk/?partners>.

The main goal of patent information centres is to provide complex information services in the field of patent, trademark and industrial design information, search services, consultation and methodical assistance concerning the searching of information, making copies of required patent documents, printing records from electronic form etc. Every patent information centre serve as a contact and information point.

The main goal of contact and information points of the Office is to inform the public about where can apply for protection of the results of creative activity, and particularly to inform the general public about the existence of the national institution, which protects immaterial goods, industrial property.

The Office supported the activity of centres and contact and information points by regular sending Slovak patent specifications in paper form and the Official Gazette in electronic form, as well as all information materials and resources made available to the public, publications published by Office, information pamphlets, documents and forms relating to applying for protection of industrial property rights, access to office's databases via Internet etc.

Information and Advisory Points for Innovations (InnoInfo)

The mission of InnoInfo centres <http://www.upv.sk/?information-and-advisory-points-for-innovation-innoinfo> operating in the regions of Slovakia is to orientate especially the small and medium sized entrepreneurs in the field of innovations and industrial property. InnoInfo centres are established in business incubators, regional advisory and information centres, regional chambers of the Slovak Chamber of Commerce and Industry and at the Universities of technical orientation.

The Office cooperated most actively with the University Technological Incubator of the Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, the Technical University in Košice and also with Banská Bystrica Regional Chamber of the Slovak Chamber of Commerce and Industry. The cooperation with the Slovak Library of Forestry and Wood Sciences, TU Zvolen, with the Technical University in Zvolen and with the Faculty of Mass Media Communication, UCM Trnava has been developing in a promising way.

Publications related to different business procedures and industrial design information sources available to users, for example, books, brochures, Internet publications, etc.

The Office publishes classifications, miscellanies, expert monographs, acts and related commentaries, promotional and information brochures, leaflets or translations of the WIPO and the EPO original publications providing valuable information on industrial property field to public.

Publication activities of the Office during 2014 include:

- Annual Report of the Industrial Property Office of SR 2013 – for the 4th time in the electronic version (on the CD); on the website www.upv.sk also web version of the annual report 2013 is available;
- Magazine Duševné Vlastníctvo 1 – 4/ 2014 – for the 1st time four issues of the Magazine in the electronic version; 5th issue is printed. Printed issue Duševné vlastníctvo – Selection 2014 consisted of the selected last-year's core author articles supplemented by a Section From Decisions of the IPO SR and From the Gallery of Creators.

For more information please see the list of publications issued by the Office <http://www.upv.sk/?publikacie>

WEBSITE OF THE OFFICE – WWW.UPV.SK

The Office also in 2014 continued in updating the website daily to provide visitors new information on IP, the Office's activities, to inform about upcoming conferences or other events and updated information on all relevant web sites within the whole website.

There were 147,080 visitors of the website recorded in 2014; the average number of users was 430 during working days and 161 during weekends. Trade Marks (110,262), Patents (45,165), Registers and Databases (40,633), Utility Models (18,232) and Contacts (17,412) were the most visited sites. 65.8 per cent of visits were from Slovakia, 5.94 per cent from the Czech Republic and the rest 28.26 per cent from abroad.

WWW.PATENTOVAT.SK

Since 2011 the Office has been using the internet portal – www.patentovat.sk – to increase the awareness on IP and its protection. The internet portal is intended for the general public and in a popularisation way provides information on industrial property protection and related services and products of the Office. It also responds to new trends in the promotion of intellectual property protection, particularly through information technologies, and in addition to the official website of the Office www.upv.sk it is also linked to the social network Facebook.

Cooperation with universities, technology and innovation support centers, etc.

Two specialised seminars took place in Nitra in 2014. The Industrial Property Office of SR in cooperation with the Regional Chamber of SCCI in Nitra organised the seminar Intellectual Property Rights to Results of Technical Creative Activities on May 14, 2014, and the seminar Industrial Property Rights to a Sign on May 27, 2014. In November 2014 the IPO SR in cooperation with WIPO, Trnava University in Trnava and Slovak Centre of the Scientific and Technical Information organised the 6th International Conference IP Protection at Universities. The Conference was aimed particularly at increasing the IP awareness, copyright protection and strategic using of IP.

Education and training: training courses, e learning modules (URLs), seminars, exhibitions, etc.

The Office also in 2014 continued in education on IP protection importance for pupils of elementary and secondary schools and also for academic community and entrepreneurs. 22 lectures were organised for elementary and secondary schools in 2014; 11 of them were associated with the excursion of the Office. The great interest was also in lectures for universities students and business community, for which 18 lectures took place.

IPO SR continued the education programme Intellectual Property accredited by the Ministry of Education of the SR also last year. From September 2013 to May 2014 the education programme in the Module D – Industrial Property Law - was running. 46 participants entered the education programme. 43 participants terminated the study by final examinations of the Module Industrial Property Law in May 2014. Last year the IPO SR submitted the project of two-year four-module education programme Intellectual Property to the Accreditation Commission of the Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of SR, which approved it on April 30, 2014 and the Office got the accreditation for another 5 years.

Active participation in fairs and exhibitions is another form to provide information and consultations on IP protection by the Office experts. In 2014 the Office participated in three international fairs: **CONECO** in Bratislava, Furniture and Living in Nitra and International Engineering Fair in Nitra.

During the 4th year of the job fair **JobExpo 2014** and also the 22nd year of the sales and presentation exhibition of products made by students of training colleges **Young Creator 2014** the Office representatives provided information on IP protection to wide and professional public. The Office also participated in the 8th European science festival – Researchers' Night; it had its expositions in Banská Bystrica and Košice.

In the course of 2014 there were four exhibitions installed progressively in the access premises of the IPO SR:

- From Talent to Patent – the Exhibition of the works of students of the Design Department, Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava, and children from villages Píla and Žarnovica;
- The exhibition of the most successful works of the 4th year of the International Biennial Competition LOGO 2014;
- An exhibition dedicated to the 95th Anniversary of the Patent Office in Prague;
- The exhibition of collection items of the Trade Museum.

Other activities

The World Intellectual Property Day

<http://www.indprop.gov.sk/?activity-upv-sr-pre-msp>

On April 24, 2014 the Industrial Property Office of SR celebrated the World Intellectual Property Day (WIPD). The vernissage of the exhibition - **From Talent to Patent** - of the works of students of the Design Department, Academy of Fine Arts and Design in Bratislava, and of children from not large villages Píla and Žarnovica - was the part of the opening of the WIPD in the IPO SR.

It has become a good habit that the IPO SR organises also the **Conference Intellectual Property in Slovakia** within the WIPD. The 14th Conference with the motto **The Mastery to Be Different** was aimed at increasing the public awareness, particularly of businesses and customers, on the importance of branding and design in a competitive environment. In the first part of the Conference **Branding** the lectures like the Story of Kofola Brand, Levi Strauss: Protection of the Trade Mark in Central and Eastern Europe and Logo as a Company's Totem were presented. The second part **Design That Sells** contained topics like Two Ways to Legal Protection of Designs and Design in Practice (School and Reality).

Ján Bahý Award

The ceremonial awarding of the Ján Bahý Award, the goal of which is to motivate and support the creativity in Slovakia, took place in Banská Bystrica on October 2, 2014. There were three categories of the Ján Bahý Award:

- Middle-sized and large enterprises with 50 employees and more;
- Individual applicants, small and micro enterprises up to 49 employees;
- Universities and research centres.

The IPO SR President in accordance with the recommendation of the 6-member evaluation committee of the Ján Bahý Award awarded three main prizes of the Ján Bahý Award 2014 represented by the bronze medal with the portrait of the constructor and helicopter inventor, author and owner of awarded technical and design solutions. The IPO SR President also awarded four honourable mentions.

VI. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF INDUSTRIAL DESIGN INFORMATION

International exchange of industrial design information in machine-readable form (e.g., Official Gazettes)

In 2014 followed the mutual exchange of design information in the form of official gazettes between the IPO SR and other offices also international organization the WIPO.

Participation in international or regional activities and projects related to industrial design information

Designview

In 2014 the IPO SR made Slovak designs available periodically in the search system Designview <https://www.tmdn.org/tmdsview-web/welcome.html?lang=sk>. This searching tool contains data of registers of involved national offices, WIPO and OHIM. Designview provides centralised access to information on registered designs, which is at disposal of the offices involved in the Project.

Assistance to developing countries

Other activities

VII. OTHER RELATED MATTERS