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- The term “patent” covers utility models and SPCs.
- Information related to design patent activities reported by industrial property offices issuing design patents is included in the series of documents SCIT/ATR/ID.

# **INSTITUTE FOR STANDARDIZATION, METROLOGY AND PATENTS OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

## **ANNUAL TECHNICAL REPORT ON PATENT INFORMATION ACTIVITIES 1999**

### **I. Evolution of patent activities:**

In 1999, our office received 129 Application for invention, out of which 23 applications were from national applicants and 106 from foreign applicants. Five patents were granted in 1999.

The numbers of patent applications for period between 1997 and 1999 are shown in the following table.

Year	National Patent Applications	Foreign Patent Applications
1997	19	98
1998	25	88
1999	23	106

In 1999, the draft of the new patent law has been prepared. The draft of the new patent law is harmonized with TRIPS (Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights) and the European Patent Convention. The new patent law is expected to enter into force in 2001.

### **II Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, distribution and use of primary and secondary sources of patent information**

The Institute for Standardization, Metrology and Patents of Bosnia and Herzegovina issues official Gazette »Glasnik«. The Gazette is issued four times a year, every three months. In this official Gazette bibliographical data, abstract and technical drawings (one characteristic drawing) for patent applications are published. Some other relevant information regarding industrial property protection in Bosnia and Herzegovina are also published in official Gazette.

### **III Matters concerning abstracting, classifying, reclassifying and indexing of technical information contained in patent documents**

All patent documentation is classified according to the IPC classification (6 edition of IPC).

#### **IV Search file establishment and upkeep**

The patent documentation is of paper kind and is kept in the Patent Department. The documentation is updated continuously. We do not make the search reports.

#### **V Activities in the field of computerized and other mechanized system**

All employees have their own PC station and all of them are connected into a LAN. Everyday work is based on the following software: Microsoft Windows and Microsoft Office. The database of filed patent applications and the granted patents are developed within Microsoft Access.

#### **VI Administration of the industrial property office library and services available to the public:**

In the Information Center of the Institute there are patent literature and all kind of non-patent literature as well as Official Gazettes from many countries available to the public free of charge. In addition, all information regarding patent documentation, at present not available in the Information Center, can be obtained via the Institute.

#### **VII Matters concerning mutual exchange of patent documentation:**

The Institute has an agreement for exchange of patent documentation with some other Patent Offices.

The Institute receives following CD-ROM which are available to the public in the Information Center :

1. ESPACE ACCESS CD-ROM, EP-A and WIPO
2. ESPACE WORLD CD-ROM, WO
3. ESPACE ACCESS-EUROPE CD-ROM (Patent bibliographic data from 6 patent offices, PIIE, NIPO/BIE, ECO/SPI, IGE/IPI, The Patent Office INPI)
4. ESPACE SI CD-ROM, Slovenian Patent Documents
5. GLOBALPAT CD-ROM (Text and drawings from patent first pages, US, WIPO, EPO, GB, DE, FR and CH)
6. JPO CD-ROM, Patent abstracts of Japan
7. WIPO HANDBOOK CD-ROM
8. WIPO IPC CD-ROM  
CLASS (from the 6<sup>th</sup> edition of IPC)  
CATCH-WORD indexes and revision Concordance Tables from the 2,3,4,5 and 6 edition of IPC.

The official gazette »Glasnik« issued by The Institute are regularly send to the following countries: AT, AZ, CA, HR, EE, DE, HU, CZ, JP, NL, LV, AL, SK, SI and MK.

The Institute receives gazette and annual rapport from the following countries: HR, SI MK, LT, TJ, UA and NL.

**VIII Other relevant matters concerning education and training in, and promotion of the use of patent information, including technical assistance to developing countries:**

The staff from the Institute have attended training courses and participate in the seminars organized by WIPO, EPO and other Patent Offices within PHARE- RIPP.