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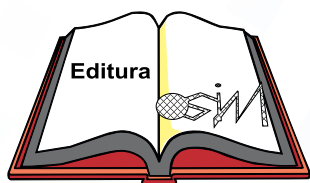




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Foreword



Dear Readers,

The year 2025 was a new step in the consolidation of the role entrusted to the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks as unique authority for industrial property protection and support of innovation, creativity and competitiveness of the Romanian economy.

In a context marked by the acceleration of digital transformation, technological dynamics and the need for a knowledge-based economy, OSIM aimed both at modernizing the services delivered to the public and at enhancing its administrative and organizational efficiency, including the communication process digitalization, materialized in the transition, in 2025, to sending notifications and trademark registration certificates electronically, by e-mail.

During the year, OSIM continued to support Romanian inventors, entrepreneurs, academic environment and companies in the process of protecting inventions, trademarks and designs. The number of applications filed for protection in the field of trademarks, industrial designs and patents reflects the constant interest in innovation and in the development of competitive products and services for the domestic and international market. In 2025, 13,756 applications for trademark registration were filed by national route, which represents an increase by 6.01% compared to the previous year.

At the same time, cooperation with national and international industrial property protection organizations continued in 2025. By participating in joint projects, exchanges of best practices and digitalization initiatives, OSIM reaffirmed its commitment to aligning with European and international standards in the field of industrial property.

The results presented in this Annual Report are the expression of the work and dedication of the OSIM team, as well as of the permanent collaboration with all the actors involved in the innovation and industrial property protection ecosystem. We look with responsibility and confidence towards the challenges and opportunities of the future, reaffirming OSIM's commitment to supporting innovation, competitiveness and sustainable development through a high-performance industrial property system adapted to the needs of the contemporary society.

Finally, I would like to invite you to go through the pages of this report which presents the main developments and results of OSIM activity in 2025.

Marian-Octavian ȘERBĂNESCU,
Director General

Introduction



OSIM Mission

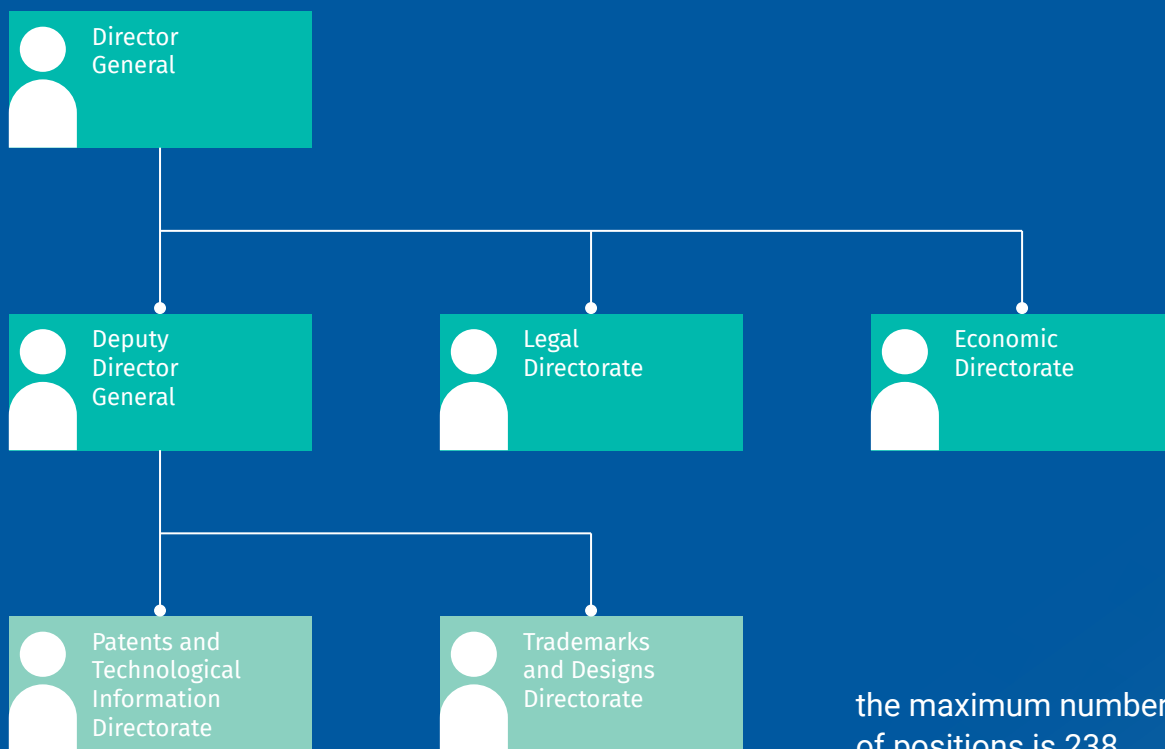
The mission of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM), as unique authority on the Romanian territory in the field of granting industrial property protection, is to support innovation, competitiveness and profitability as economic growth factors.

OSIM provides high quality specialized services by granting industrial property titles, it promotes industrial property by all available means and ensures Romania's international cooperation in accordance with the treaties, conventions and agreements in its field of activity to which Romania is a party.



Organization of OSIM

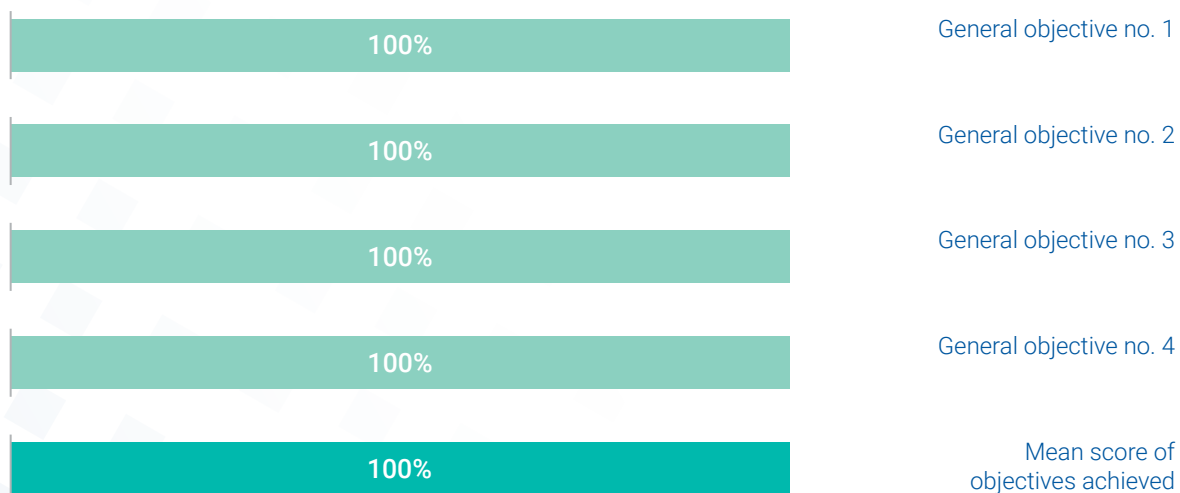
In compliance with the Government Decision No. 573/1998, as amended by the Government Decision No. 716 of 28 of June 2024 and the Order of the Minister of Economy No. 1972/2024, in 2025 the organizational structure of OSIM has been the following:



The general objectives of our organization were established as follows:

- 1 To observe, implement and maintain the integrated management system at the highest level** by meeting the requirements of the Order of the Secretary General of the Government No 600/2018 and of ISO 9001:2015 and ISO/IEC 27001:2018.
- 2 To improve the quality of the organization activities** by the commitment of its entire staff, its main goals being to ensure uniform protection of industrial property rights (IPR), to harmonize certain aspects specific to IPR by creating a unique system of granting of protection titles; to provide qualified human resources and suitable technical means to meet the actual demands in the field.
- 3 To support innovation, competitiveness and profitability as economic growth factors**, in compliance with the legal regulations in the industrial property field, so that OSIM, as organization, is able to be considered an assembly of processes oriented to its applicants and other industrial property (IP) stakeholders.
- 4 To further improve and grow Romania's representation** at European and international level, by involvement of OSIM in decision-making processes concerning collaboration, observance and fulfillment of IP programs together with the national and international bodies in the industrial property field.

General objectives achievement degree for the reporting period



Said objectives which are in direct connection with OSIM duties are completed with specific objectives which necessarily arise from the horizontal cooperation with international and European bodies in this field of activity, as well as from OSIM commitment to support innovation and competitiveness of Romanian industry and economy through the specific industrial property rights-related aspects.

Activity of the Monitoring Commission

OSIM Commission for monitoring the internal managerial control system, hereinafter referred to as “the Commission”, continued its activity.

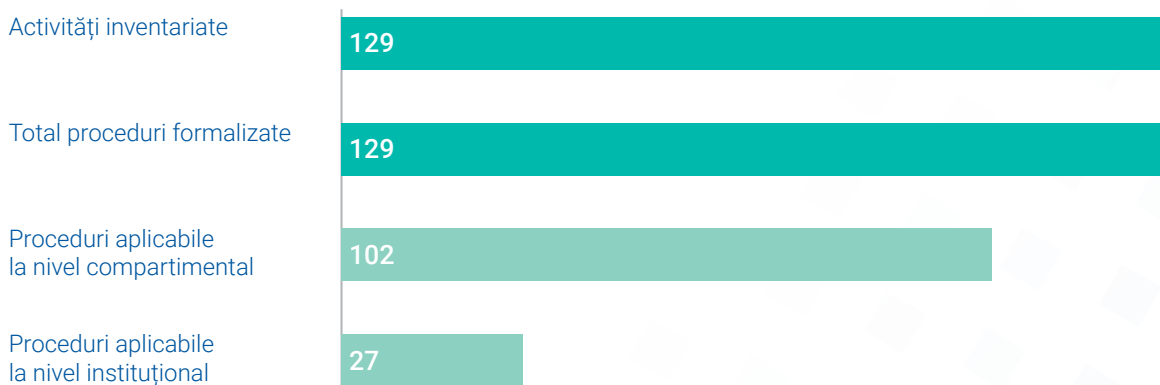
As a strategic decision, beside the currently operating integrated management system (requirements of the Order of the Secretary General of the Government No 600/2018 as corroborated with ISO 9001:2015 and SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2022 requirements), the management of OSIM decided the implementation of the Directive NIS2 and of the AI Act which impose a high cyber-security level while setting the rules for AI systems development, putting on the market and use. Following its commitment to develop the integrated management system, a series of measures and activities needed for meeting said objectives were necessary to be implemented by OSIM.

As a consequence of said decision, on 24.09.2025, OSIM achieved re-certification according to ISO 9001:2015 and SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2022.

The revision and/or elaboration of 16 operational/system procedures continued during the year 2025 in order to align them with ISO 9001:2015 requirements.

At the end of 2025, the situation of OSIM procedures was the following:

Proceduri existente la 31.12.2025



Moreover, under the requirements of SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2022, OSIM Policy Statement for the Integrated Management System and OSIM Policy Statement for Information Security Management System were elaborated and approved. OSIM Quality Policy Statement was revised to support the Policy Statement for the Integrated Management System.

At the same time, the Monitoring Commission:

- ✓ analyzed the elaboration of the Internal Managerial Control System development stages while ensuring updating thereof;
- ✓ analyzed the data resulting from processes and took the necessary steps for the general objectives to be accomplished;
- ✓ ensured the inventory of procedural activities;

- ✓ ensured updating of formalized procedures in accordance with the legal provisions in the field (Order of GGS No 600/2018), as corroborated with the requirements of ISO 9001:2015 and SR EN ISO 27001:2022.

In September 2025, the management system of OSIM underwent an external audit from the Management System Certification Body QSCert.

No irregularities have been found by the surveillance external audit; the certification body confirmed that the integrated management system of OSIM is effective and meets the audit criteria and issued a recommendation to grant the certificates in accordance with ISO 9001:2015 and SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2022 standards in the field General Public Administration Services.

Considering all of the above, at the end of 2025, we can state that OSIM has a integrated management system that complies with the requirements of the reference standards: SR EN ISO/IEC 27001:2022 – Requirements on Information Technology. Security Techniques. Information Security Management Systems, integrated with ISO 9001:2015 – Requirements on Quality Management Systems and with the Order of the Secretary General of the Government No 600/2018 on the approval of the Code of internal managerial control of public entities.

Activity within the Technical Secretariat of the SCIM Monitoring Commission

In 2025, the Technical Secretariat of the Monitoring Commission prepared the meetings of the Commission, it also prepared the Synthesis of the Results of the Self-Assessment, as provided in Annex No. 4.2 of the Order of the Secretary General of the Government (OSGG) No. 600/2018 for the approval of the Code of internal managerial control of public entities, by centralizing the pieces of information from the self-assessment questionnaires, as signed and transmitted by the heads of the departments from the first management level, it elaborated Chapter II of the Centralized Report regarding the stage of implementation and development of the internal managerial control system (Annex No. 3 of OSGG no. 600/2018).

The structural compliance of the system procedures and operational procedures with the provisions of OSGG no. 600/2018 or with the new or revised internal regulations was assessed; also, all the system and operational procedures, corrective and improvement actions at the organization level were recorded, based on the data transmitted by the heads of departments from the first management level and the Commission documents were recorded, stored and archived.

Also, within the Technical Secretariat of the Monitoring Commission, the action plans for achieving the general objectives of the organization, as submitted by the departments, were centralized, at the organization level, as well as the development stages of SCIM, and the documents relating to the semester and annual data analysis submitted by the OSIM departments were received and registered, with a view to preparing the analyses performed by the management.

Protection Titles



Patents (BI)

In our knowledge-based society, intangible assets, in particular the patents, are becoming increasingly important from the economic point of view. In its triple quality of legal, technical and economic instrument, the patent mirrors the society innovative capacities and dynamism.

Innovation support materialized in numerous research and development projects shall certainly involve protection of innovation results by filing patent applications based on which, following examination, patents are granted, as industrial property titles which, on the one hand, confer on their owners the exclusive right of exploitation of their inventions and, on the other hand, contribute to the innovative profile of the entity that owns them, while being a worldwide information dissemination way, due to their publication in specific databases.

Moreover, it is worth mentioning that patenting is currently becoming increasingly important for small and medium-sized enterprises, which can be seen in the high number of European projects aiming to support innovative enterprises.

In Romania, the patent granting procedure is carried out in accordance with the Patent Law 64/1991, as republished on 19 August 2014.

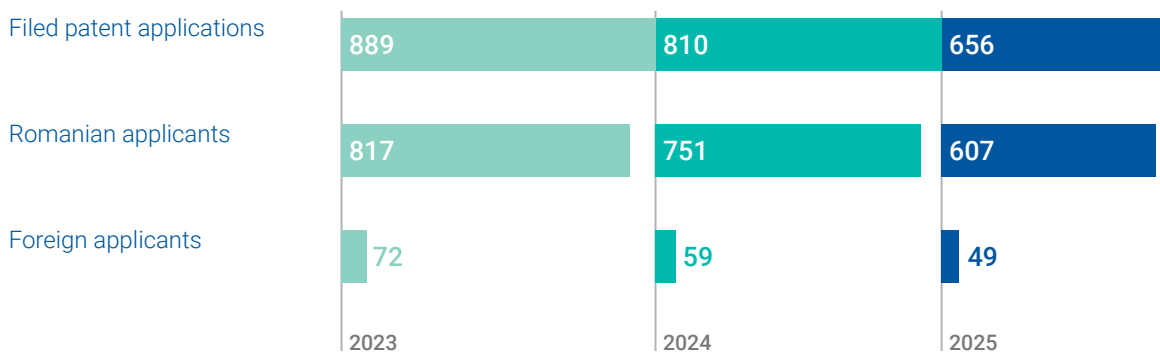
According to the law, a patent is an industrial property right that confers on its owner an exclusive right to exploit the invention for a duration of 20 years, at the most. A patent can be granted for any invention having as a subject-matter a product or a process, in all technological fields, agriculture included. The technical solutions that are new, involve an inventive step and are susceptible of industrial application can be protected by a patent, the compliance with legal patentability conditions being assessed in the substantive examination procedure.

The assessment of the compliance with the above-mentioned patentability conditions in the substantive examination procedure is conducted by taking as a reference point the state of the art existing worldwide on the filing date or the priority date of the patent application, as the case may be. Said state comprises the technical knowledge accessible to the public in any part of the world.

If the invention cannot be retrieved in the state of the art and if it is not obvious for a person skilled in the art, it is deemed to be new and inventive. The patent granted by OSIM allows its owner to enjoy protection of the invention on the territory of Romania.

In 2025, 656 patent applications were filed with OSIM, of which 607 were filed by Romanian applicants and 49 by foreign applicants.

All said patent applications were entered in the National Register of Filed Patent Applications and the bibliographical data thereof were introduced into the OSIM database.



18 months after the date of filing the application, the invention is published by OSIM which makes the description, claims and drawings available to the public and publishes the abstract and the bibliographic data in the Official Industrial Property Bulletin, Inventions Section, issued monthly.

The patent applications, as filed, were analyzed in respect of the fulfillment of the legal conditions for according the filing date and constituting the regular national filing.

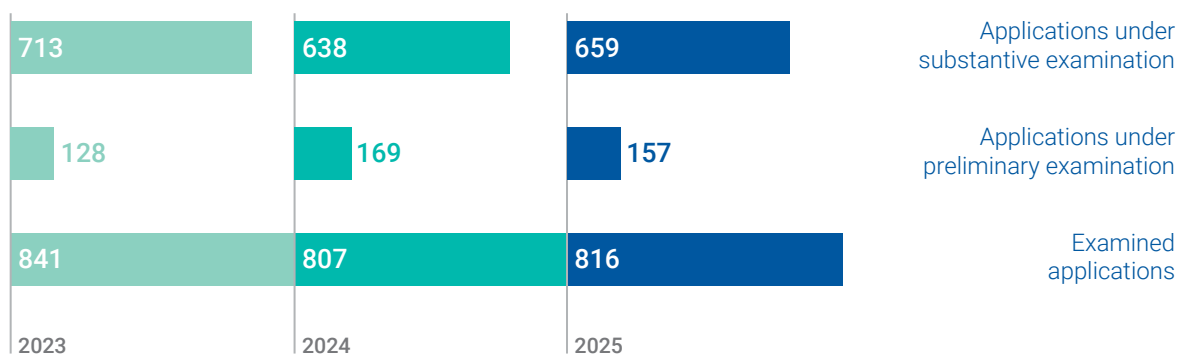
All patent applications filed in 2025 were classified according to the International Patent Classification (IPC).

The patent application substantive examination procedure involves a series of activities, such as:

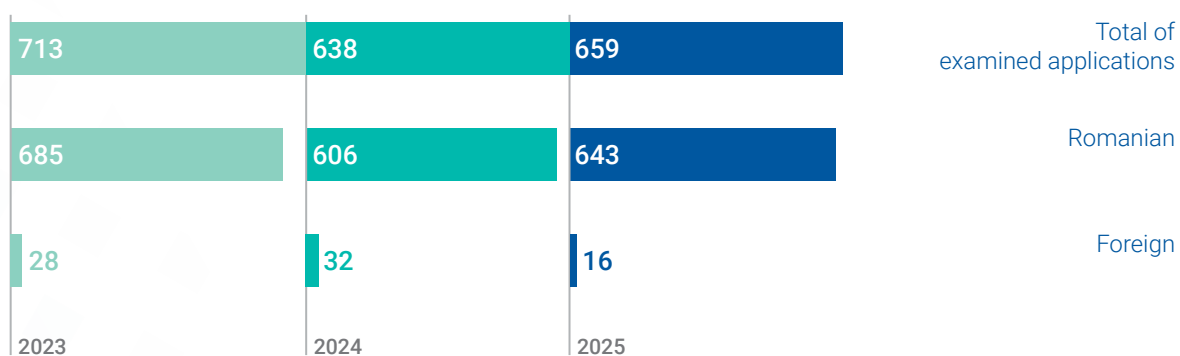
- ✓ searching the prior art in the relevant field, by using the EPOQUE application of the EPO and the RO-Patent Search database;
- ✓ drawing up search reports for each patent application;
- ✓ examining the patentability conditions: novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability, and sending the results of this assessment to the applicant;
- ✓ drawing up the technical examination report and upholding the same before the Examination Board with a view to making a decision in respect of the application concerned.

659 patent applications filed by both Romanian and foreign applicants underwent substantive examination, of which 331 ended by decisions to grant the patent, 326 were refused and 2 applications were withdrawn.

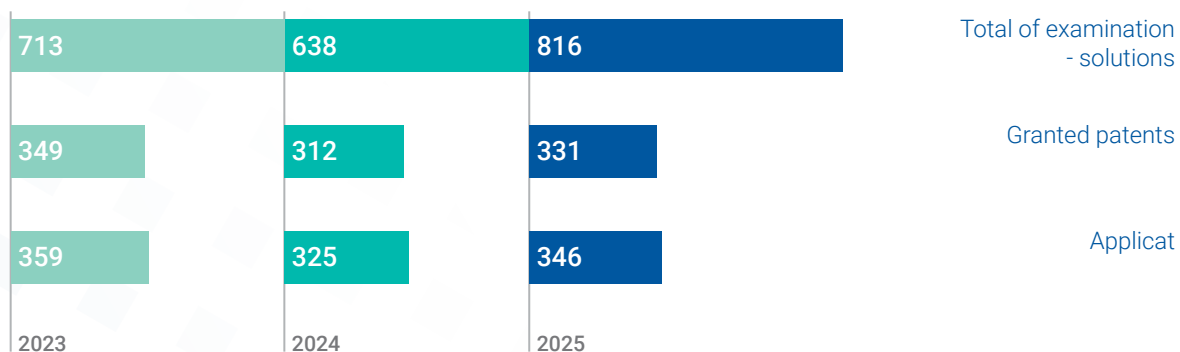
A number of 305 patents were issued in 2025.



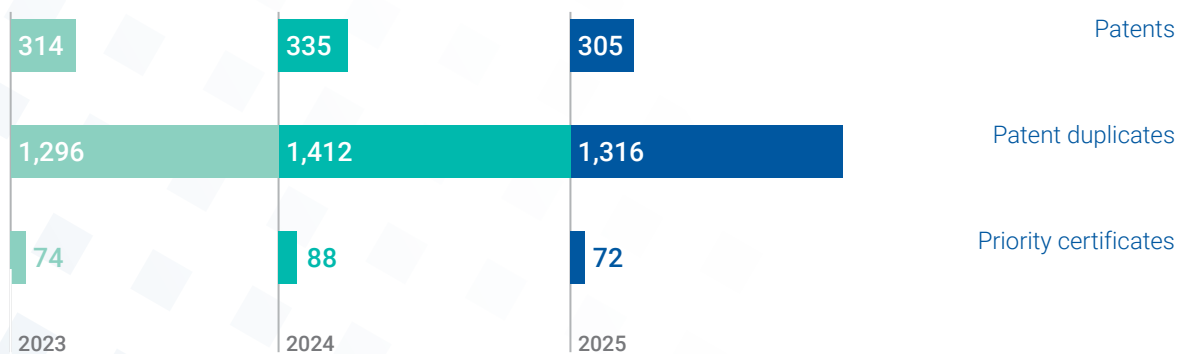
Application examination in substantive examination



Examination - by solutions



Issuance of protection documents

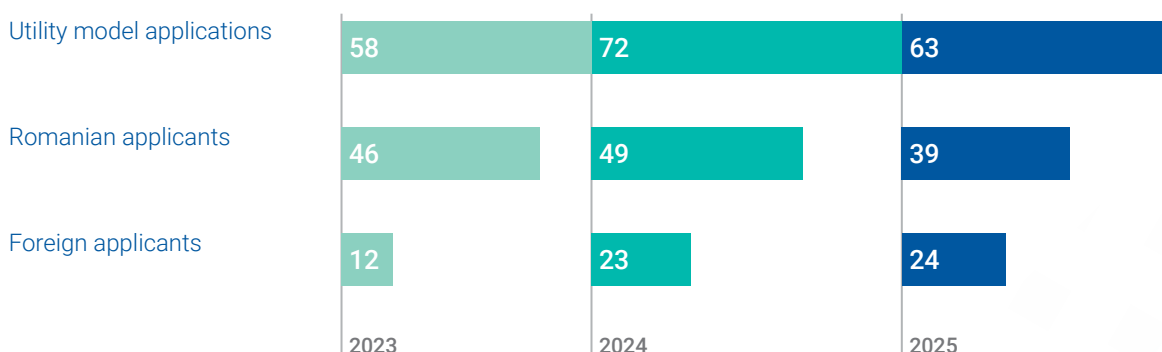


Utility Models (MU)

Beside the patent, there is the utility model that represents a faster way of protecting inventions. The registration procedure is established by the Law 350/2007 on utility models. The utility model may be a strategic means for start-up SMEs aiming to start a business.

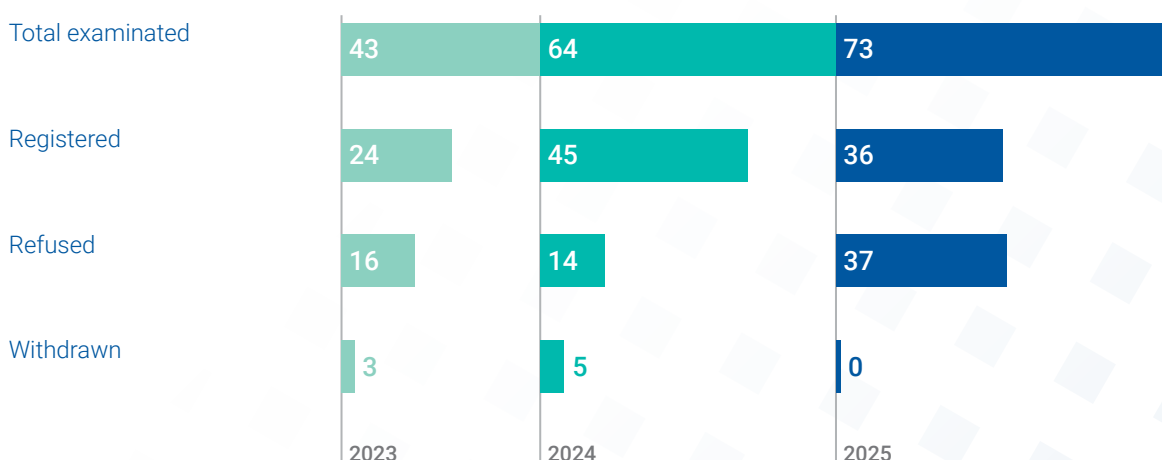
In 2025, 63 applications for utility models were filed, 39 of which belong to Romanian applicants and 24 to foreign applicants.

Utility model applications



Following the examination of the fulfillment of the legal requirements, the Examination Board made 51 decisions to register the utility model and 8 refusal decisions.

Examination of utility model applications



Issuance of utility model certificates

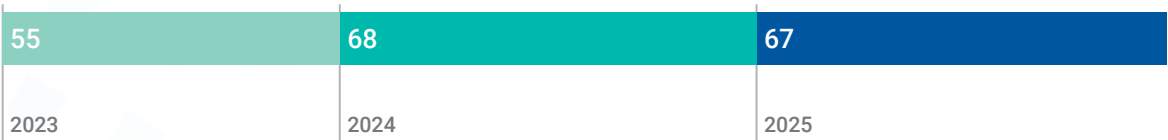


Supplementary Protection Certificates (CSP)

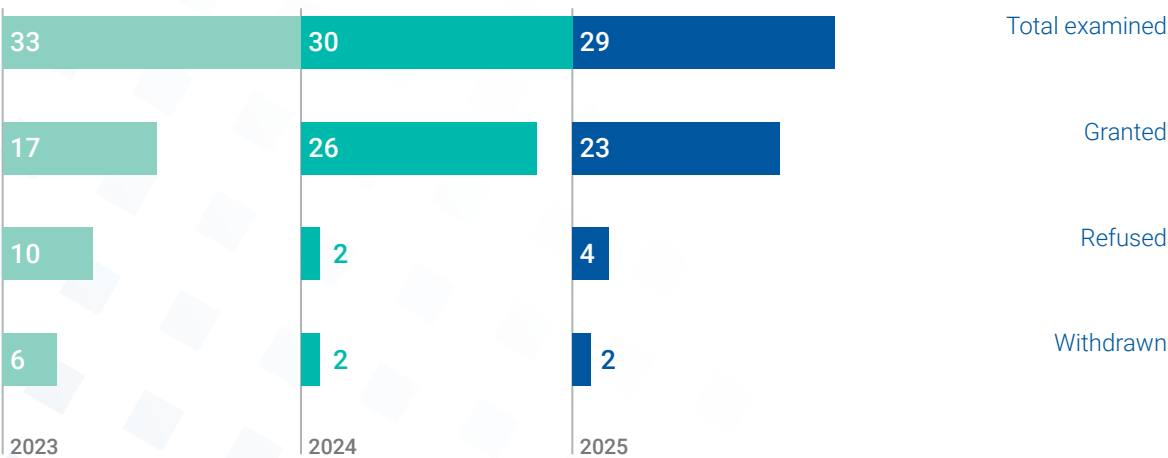
Romania, as a Member State of the European Union, grants, under the three Community Regulations entered into force, namely regulations concerning the protection of medicaments, of pediatric products and of plant protection products, Supplementary Protection Certificates following an examination procedure.

In 2025, 67 Supplementary Protection Certificate applications were filed with OSIM.

Supplementary Protection Certificate Applications



Examination of Supplementary Protection Certificates



After the Board examined the fulfilment of conditions for granting the certificate, in accordance with the European Regulations, there resulted 23 granting decisions, 4 refusals and 2 withdrawals.

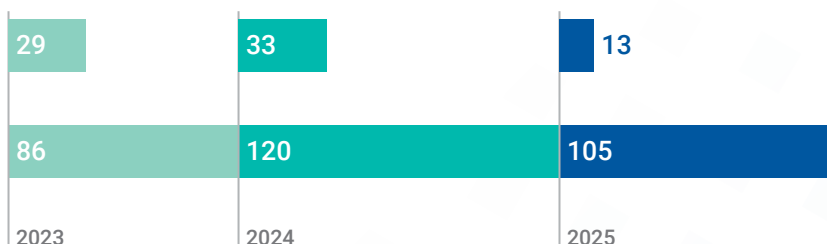
Filing Applications for Protection Abroad

Patent applications may be filed abroad, in one or several States, either by national route (directly to the patent offices of the State on the territory of which protection is sought), or by regional or international route, under the provisions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty. In the latter two cases, the application may be filed with OSIM.

In this context, 13 international applications were filed, by Romanian applicants, with OSIM as a Receiving Office, under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and 105 European patent applications were filed with OSIM acting on behalf of the European Patent Office.

International applications
filed with OSIM as a
Receiving Office

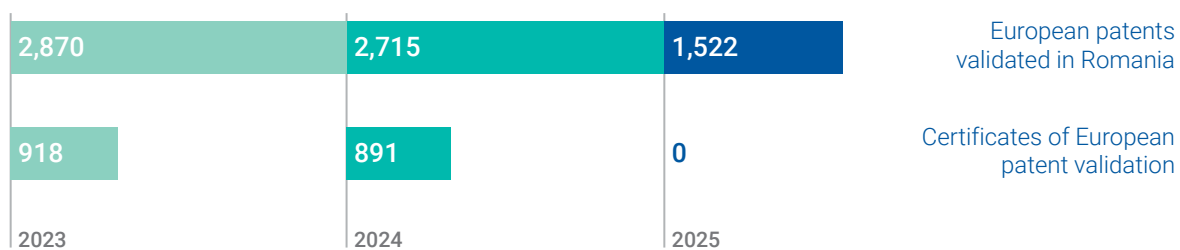
European applications
filed with OSIM on behalf
of EPO



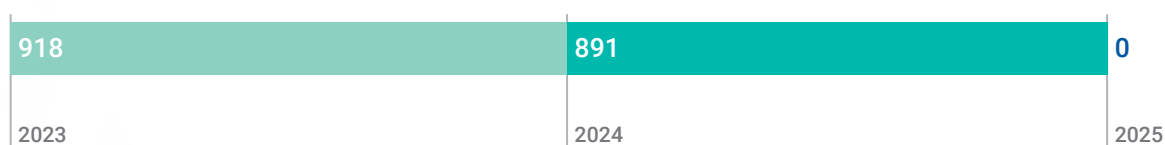
European Patents Recognition in Romania (validation)

European patents granted by EPO under the European Patent Convention (EPC) may be recognized on the territory of Romania, subject to compliance with the provisions of the Law 611/2002 on Romania's accession to the European Patent Convention. For a validation in Romania, the patent owner is supposed to file with OSIM the Romanian translation of the European patent accompanied by a request for its publication, and to pay the translation publication fee and the patent maintenance fees.

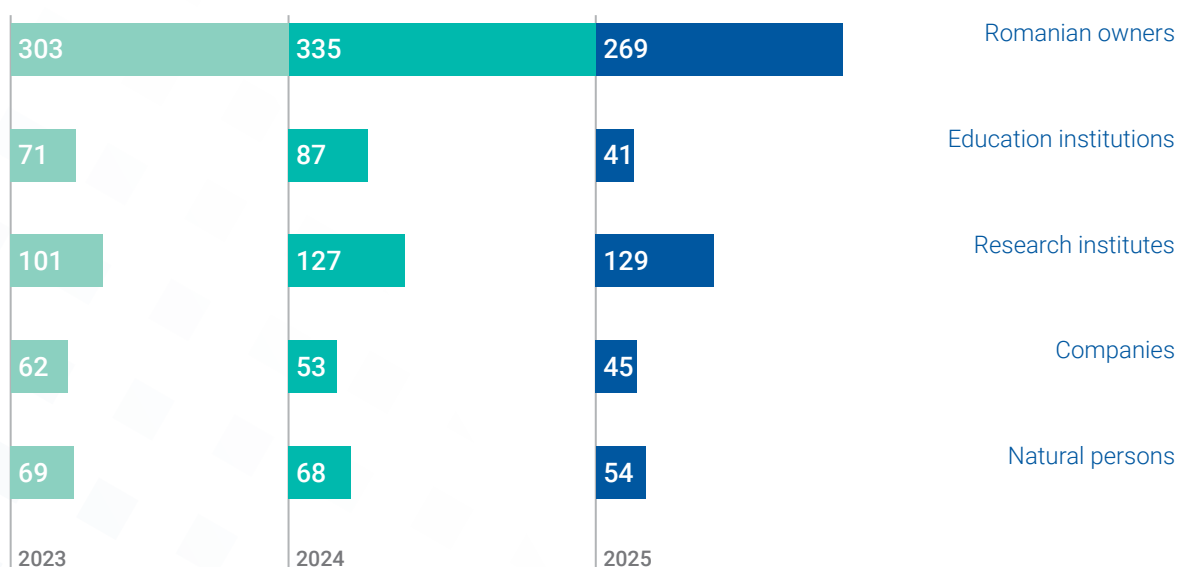
European Patents



Issuance of Certificates for Extension / Recognition of European Patent Effects



Issued patents, by categories of Romanian owners



In 2025, 1,522 requests for publication of European patent translation were filed with OSIM. No certificate for recognition of European patents effects in Romania were issued in 2025.

Issued Patents, by Administrative Units

Macroregion ONE

56	62	59
2023	2024	2025

Macroregion/Development region/County	2023	2024	2025
MACROREGION ONE	56	62	2
North-West	39	38	1
Bihor	4	1	27
Bistrița-Năsăud	3	0	4
Cluj	27	31	0
Maramureș	5	6	2
Satu Mare	0	0	1
Center	17	24	25
Alba	0	1	1
Brașov	10	17	15
Covasna	0	0	1
Harghita	3	1	1
Mureș	1	3	4
Sibiu	3	2	3

Macroregion TWO

47	58	50
2023	2024	2025

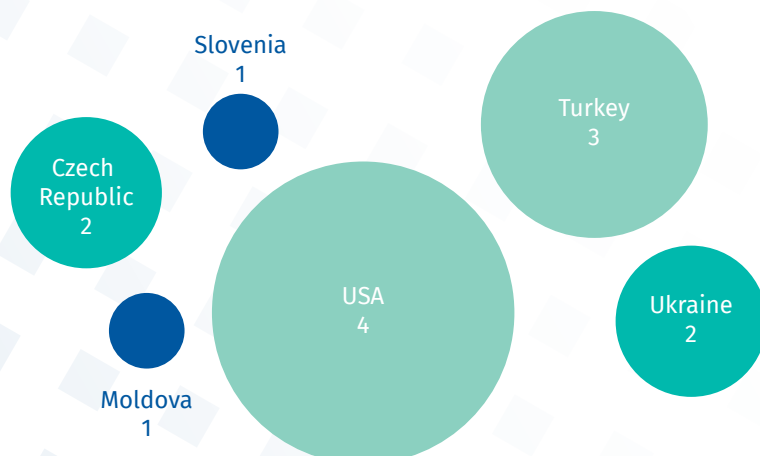
Macroregion/Development region/County	2024	2024	2025
MACROREGION TWO	47	58	50
North-East	40	48	43
Bacău	0	3	1
Botoșani	2	1	1
Iași	27	31	30
Neamț	0	0	0
Suceava	10	11	10
Vaslui	1	2	1
Soth-East	7	10	7
Buzău	0	1	0
Constanța	2	0	0
Galați	5	8	6
Tulcea	0	0	0
Vrancea	0	1	1

Macroregion THREE

162	170	130	
2023	2024	2025	
Macroregion/Development region/County	2023	2024	2025
MACROREGION THREE	162	170	130
South – Muntenia	11	17	17
Argeş	4	6	6
Dâmboviţa	1	2	2
Giurgiu	1	0	0
Ialomiţa	1	0	0
Prahova	4	9	9
Bucharest – Ilfov	151	153	153
Ilfov	36	25	25
Bucharest	115	128	128

Macroregion FOUR

53	45	30	
2023	2024	2025	
Macroregion/Development region/County	2023	2024	2025
MACROREGION FOUR	53	45	30
South-West Oltenia	34	25	17
Dolj	5	7	5
Gorj	2	3	2
Olt	2	4	1
Vâlcea	6	11	9
West	19	20	10
Arad	2	2	1
Caraş-Severin	2	0	0
Hunedoara	6	7	4
Timis	9	11	



Trademarks and Designs

The protection of the industrial property rights relating to trademarks and designs represents an essential element, its main goal being to protect the product of human creativity and, at the same time, to ensure the benefit reflected upon the consumers by using said product. The rights conferred by the protection of trademarks and designs is one of the fundamental instruments of the economic, social and cultural development of a nation. Trademarks and designs are intangible assets which significantly contribute to the increase of a business value, making it better known, the main effect of which is its market value increase.

The Trademark and Design Directorate is one of the specialized directorates of OSIM that deals with the examination of trademark, geographical indication and design applications.

The organizational structure of said Directorate is the following:



Trademark and Geographical Indication Division

The Trademark and Geographical Indication Division carries out the activity of examination and registration of trademark applications filed by national route, by virtue of Law 84/1998, as republished, and it is headed by a Head of Division, subordinated to the Director of the Directorate.

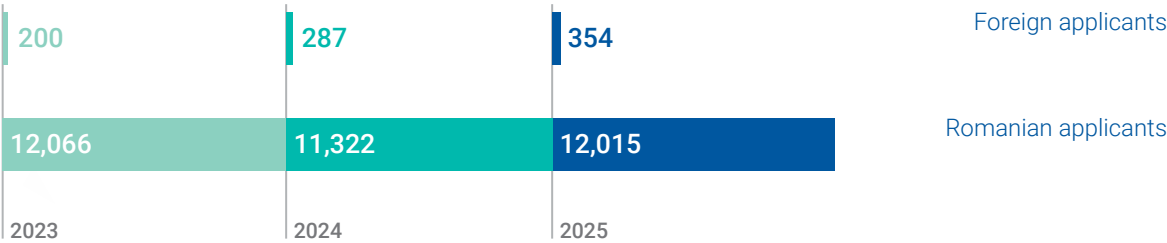
The organizational structure of the Trademark Division is the following:

- ◆ The Trademark Preliminary Examination Compartment – carries out activities concerning the preliminary examination of trademark applications filed by national route and the constitution of the regular filing, according to the law.
- ◆ The National Applications Examination Compartment – carries out activities concerning the examination of trademark applications filed by national route, relating to both absolute grounds and the oppositions against the applications admitted for registration.
- ◆ The Compartment for Changes of Legal status and records in the register – carries out activities concerning post-examination procedures in the trademark field and draws up statistics and various materials.

Trademarks by National Route

In 2025, 12,369 applications for trademark registration were filed by national route. An increase by 6.55% can be noticed in relation to 2024.

Trademark Applications for Registration, Filed by National Route



A number of 12,688 applications for trademark registration filed by national route entered examination in 2025.

Examination of Trademarks Filed by National Route



In 2025, 641 oppositions to the publication of trademark applications admitted for registration were filed. Considering that only 555 oppositions were filed in 2024, it can be noticed an increase by 15.49 % in the number of oppositions to the registration of trademark applications filed by national route.

Filing of Oppositions to Trademark Applications by National Route



The Opposition Examination Board solved, in 2025, 568 oppositions filed against national trademarks.

Examination of Oppositions to Trademark Applications



Concerning the entering of changes occurred in the legal status into the Trademark Register, 3,998 such changes were entered in 2025.

4,503 applications for trademark renewal were filed for national trademarks, and 4,645 renewal applications were examined.

Applications for Renewal Filed by National Route



Examination of Applications for Trademark Renewal

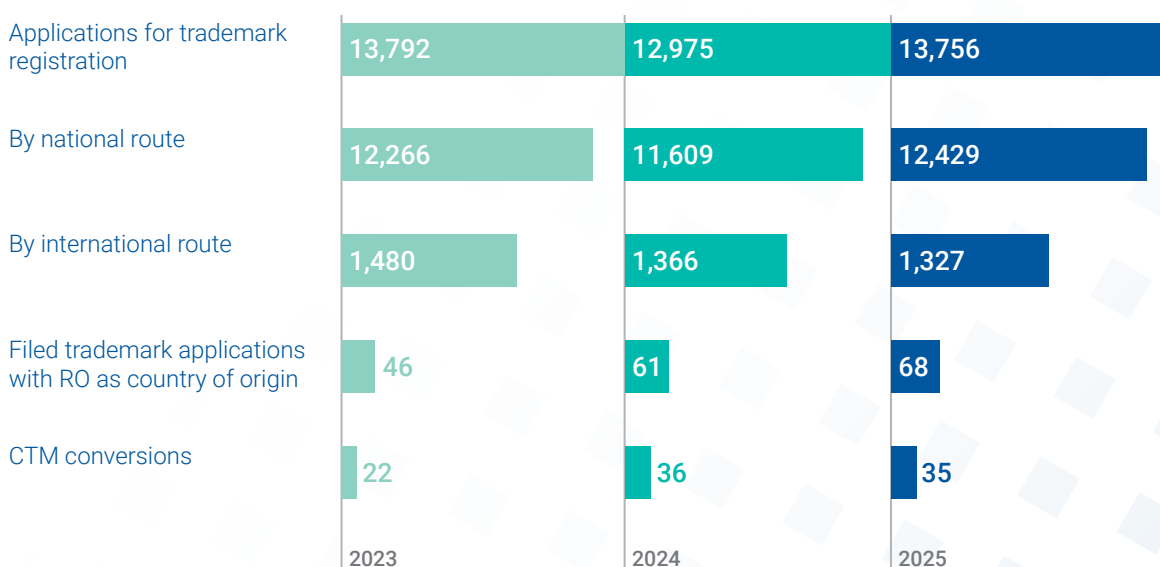


In 2025, a number of 6,856 trademarks admitted for registration were entered in the Trademark Register and 9,932 protection titles were issued, 6,505 of which were certificates of trademark registration and 3,427 renewal certificates.

Issuance of Trademark Protection Documents - 2025



Applications for Trademark Registration



A total number of 13,756 applications for trademark registration were filed in 2025. It shows an increase by 6.01%, as compared to 2024.

Services in the field of Trademarks

In accordance with the provisions of Law no. 84/1998, as republished, and of OSIM Order No. 4/2021, OSIM carried out, at the request of the interested parties, 2,667 documentary searches.

Trademark Searches

1,652	2,009	2,667
2023	2024	2025

Legal Status Changes and Transfer of Rights

0	4,703	5,452
2023	2024	2025

In 2025, a specialist of the Trademark and Geographical Indication Division took part in various projects and actions developed in cooperation with EUIPO:

- ✧ Project ECP2 – CP18 – New Common Practice on Descriptiveness of marks designating geographical origin
- ✧ Project ECP1 – Virtual Community on New Competence for Craft and Industrial Geographical Indications
- ✧ Project ECP2 – CP16 – New Common Practice on Signs describing the subject matter of goods and services

Design Division

In 2025 the Design Division carried out the activity of registration, examination and issuance of protection titles in the field of designs in accordance with the provisions of Law 129/1992, as republished, the Division operating within the Trademarks and Designs Directorate.

The Service is headed by a Head of Service, who reports directly to the Director of the Directorate, and comprises the following units:

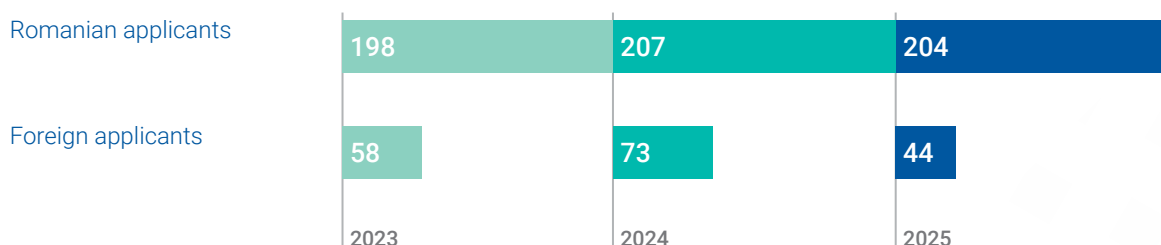
- ✧ Industrial Designs Examination Unit – carries out formal examination, substantive examination, and documentary searches relating to industrial designs and trademarks.

- ♦ Post-Examination Procedures Unit – carries out activities related to renewals and the registration of changes in the legal status of industrial designs, including the registration of transfers of rights and security interests.
- ♦ Archives Unit – performs its activities in compliance with Law No. 16/1996, as amended.

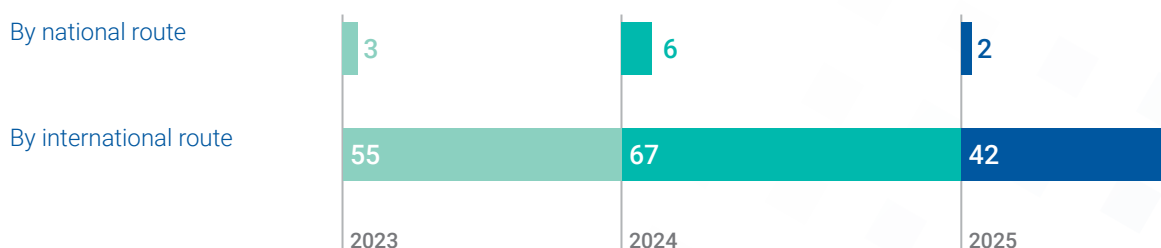
The right in a design is recognized by registration and the issuance of a registration certificate in accordance with the provisions of Law 129/1992 on the protection of designs, as republished. The object of an application can be registered if it constitutes a design, it is new and it has an individual character.

Designs determined exclusively by a technical function, technical drawings, graphic representations which cannot be typographically reproduced and those that have a purpose and appearance contrary to public order and morality cannot be registered.

Applications for Design Registration



Applications for Design Registration - Foreign Applicants



In 2025, 248 applications for design registration were filed (of which 155 applications were simple applications and 93 multiple ones) which comprise 670 designs, with 1,525 graphic representations. Of the total number of design applications filed for registration, 204 applications were filed by national route and 44 applications, by international route.

Designs Contained in Applications for Registration



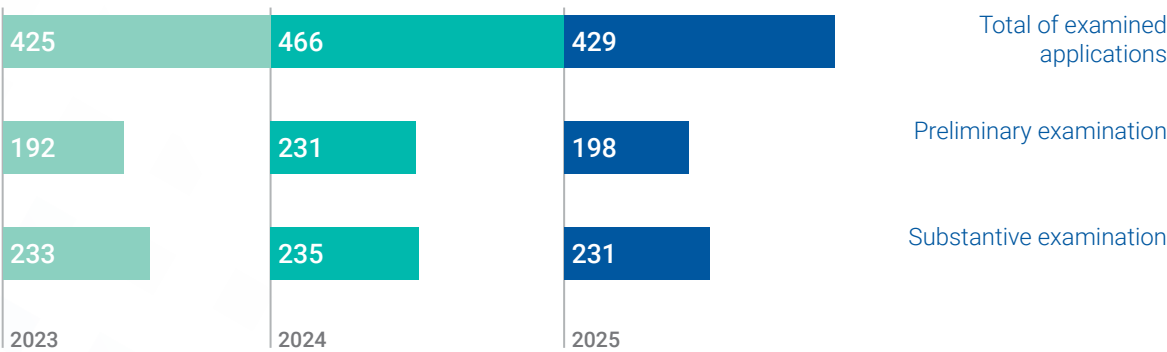
Examination of design applications for registration

This year, the total number of designs subjected to preliminary examination was of 539, with 759 graphic representations, contained by 198 applications for registration.

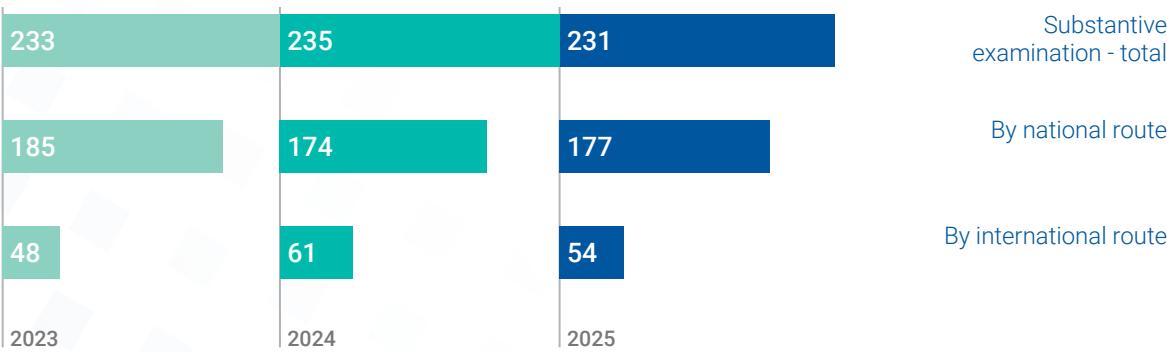
571 designs were published with 1,334 graphic representations contained by 208 applications for registration.

620 designs, with 1,615 graphic representations contained by 231 applications for registration were subjected to substantive examination. Insofar as the number of renewal applications is concerned, 252 applications were examined in 2025.

Examination of Design Applications for Registration



Substantive Examination of Designs



Examination of Design Renewal Applications



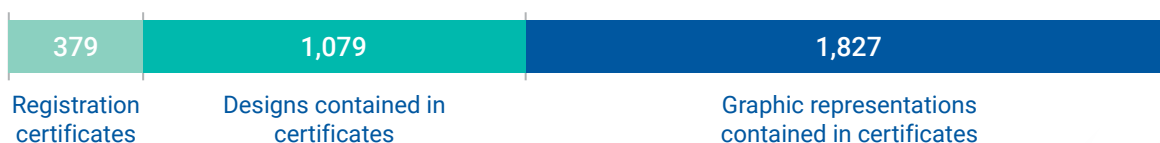
About 1,050 procedures were carried out within the post-examination procedures, of which:

- * a number of 212 changes in the legal status of design applications were published, as follows: 22 transfers of rights and 190 other types of changes (changes of headquarters/address of applicant/owner/representative, representative change/recordal/renunciation) and, for the remainder, other procedures;
- * mentions of reinstatement in respect of 22 protection certificates were recorded and published.

Issuance of registration certificates

In 2025, 379 design certificates were issued, of which: 162 registration certificates, 215 renewal certificates and 1 priority certificate.

Issuance of Design Registration Certificates



Issuance of Design Renewal Certificates



Activity of documentary search

Design documentary search

Documentary searches relating to industrial designs are carried out in accordance with Law No. 129/1992, as republished, and on the basis of Order No. 80/01.08.2018 of the Director General of OSIM, which establishes the fees applicable to this activity.

Design and Trademark Searches



In 2025, a total of 20 requests for documentary searches were filed.

Other activities in the Design protection field

OSIM specialists took part in 2025, as well, in the projects developed by EUIPO, some of which are mentioned below:

- * Projects ECP – Virtual Communities – ECP1
 - ◆ Transposing the Design Directive
 - ◆ Design Classification (Phase II of CP7 – Convergence Program) – Taking part in on-line sessions, sending observations
- * Project “BackOffice” – ECP2 (sending observations, tests, proposals for improvement)
- * Project ECP 3 – Decision desktop (sending projects for BO).

In 2025, the examiners of the Design Division worked, for a period of time, beside their current activity, in drawing up trademark opposition decisions, in order to help to reduce the stock of unsolved oppositions within the Trademark Division (over 100 decisions)

To update their knowledge, examiners participated in online sessions on design and trademark protection organized by WIPO and EUIPO and in domestic training courses on communication in the public sector, on document archiving and management in public organizations.

In addition to the current work, in 2025, several activities were carried out for transposing the European Design Directive. Within ECP1, the specialists participated in the sessions for transposing the Design Directive intended to end with a Common Communication on „Design representation requirements and means”.

At the end of September 2025, the Design Division submitted a first version of the Draft Law for amending the Law 129/1992 on design protection to the Legal Division, which means that a part of our specialists carried out analysis and draft law draw-up activities.

As for the staff involvement in actions aiming to disseminate information on design protection, the Division specialists participated as lecturers in the following conferences:

- * Conference on the “Impact of Intellectual Property: Law, Business, Society (Advantages of owning an industrial property title)”, University Vasile Goldiș, Arad, 13 February 2025;
- * Conference “University, Entrepreneurship, Industrial Property. Advantages of owning a Property Title”, University of Life Sciences King Mihai I, Timisoara, 12 May 2025.

The staff of the Design Division also took part in Romexpo fairs where they held discussions with the participants in their booths.

- * Construct Ambient Expo and Mobila Expo (March 2025), in which four examiners took part,

- * Pack Show, Metal Show and Expo Plast (May 2025), in which four examiners took part,
- * TIBCO (June 2025), in which six examiners took part.

As regards the international activity, representatives of the Division participated in the following international events:

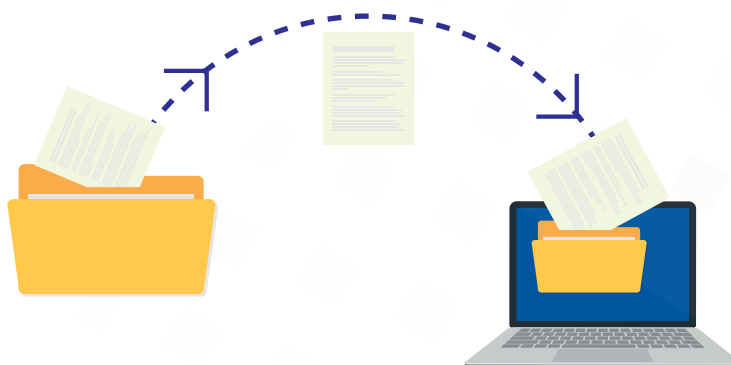
- * Technical visits of EUIPO specialists paid to OSIM, February and September 2025,
- * Design Europe Award Ceremony, Copenhagen, 22-23 September 2025,
- * Session of the Working Group for the Legal Development of the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs, 6-8 October 2025, WIPO,
- * Expert Committee of the Locarno Union on the International Classification of Industrial Designs, 20-22 October 2025, WIPO,
- * Bilateral meeting with AGEPI specialists in the field of designs, 4-6 November 2025, OSIM.

Since July 2024, the Industrial Designs Service has resumed conducting documentary searches for trademarks, in addition to those relating to industrial designs.

Activity of OSIM Archives

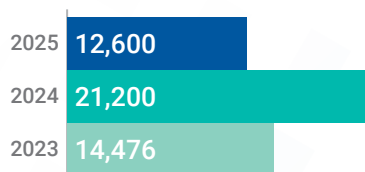
In 2025, a special importance was given to the digitization of documents, so that the activity of setting up electronic archival units for trademarks continued, being partially performed by two employees.

3,373 scanned files
232,178 scanned pages

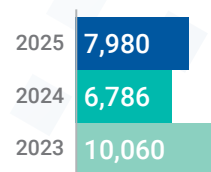


Regarding the management of OSIM's documentary funds, the work volume can be seen below:

New entries
(files)



Lendings
(files)



In 2025, within OSIM Archives, 12,600 new files were entered in the registers: patent applications, utility model applications, trademark and design applications and 7,980 files/documents were lent.

Appeal procedure

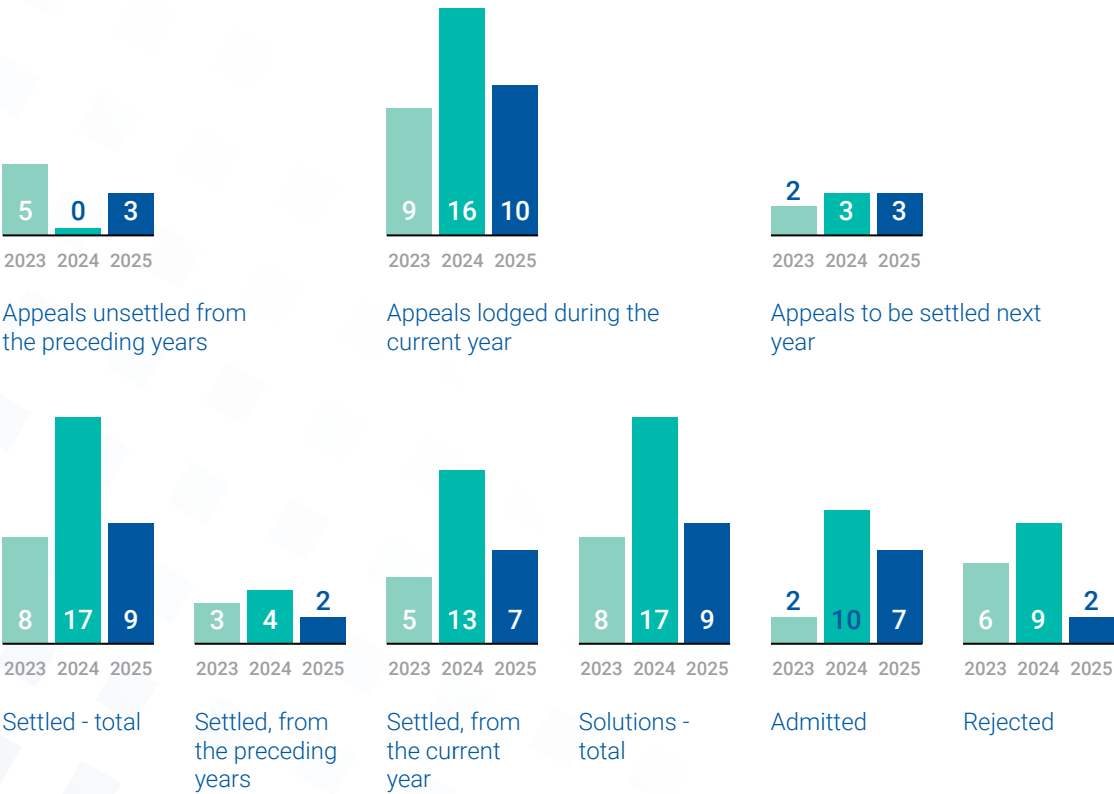
In OSIM, the activity of examination of applications for industrial property protection titles is carried out at two decisional levels:

- ✓ examination;
- ✓ appeal.

The appeals are settled by Boards consisting of 3/5 members who are specialists in the Appeal and Legal Division within the Legal Directorate and in the Patents and Technological Information Directorate.

Activity of Patent, Trademark and Design boards of appeal

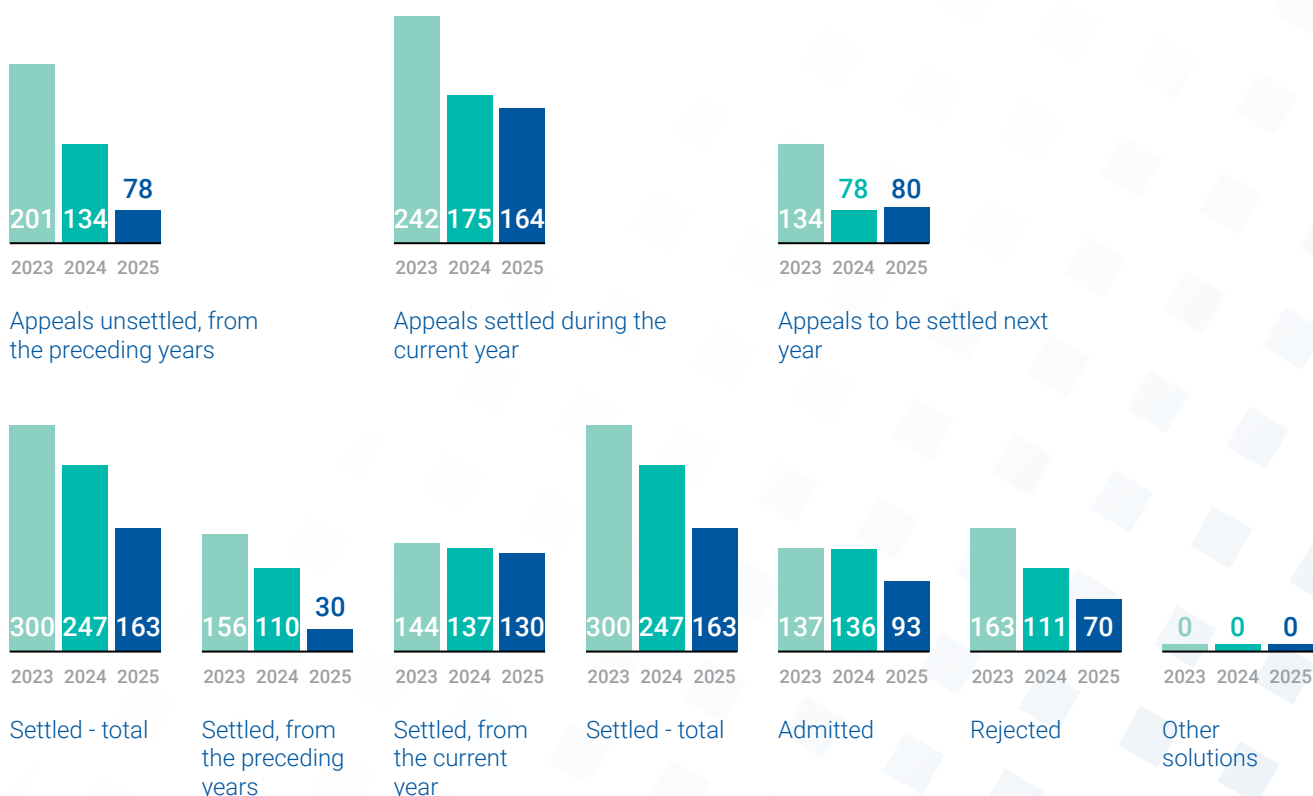
Appeals Lodges with the Patents Board of Appeal within the Appeal Division



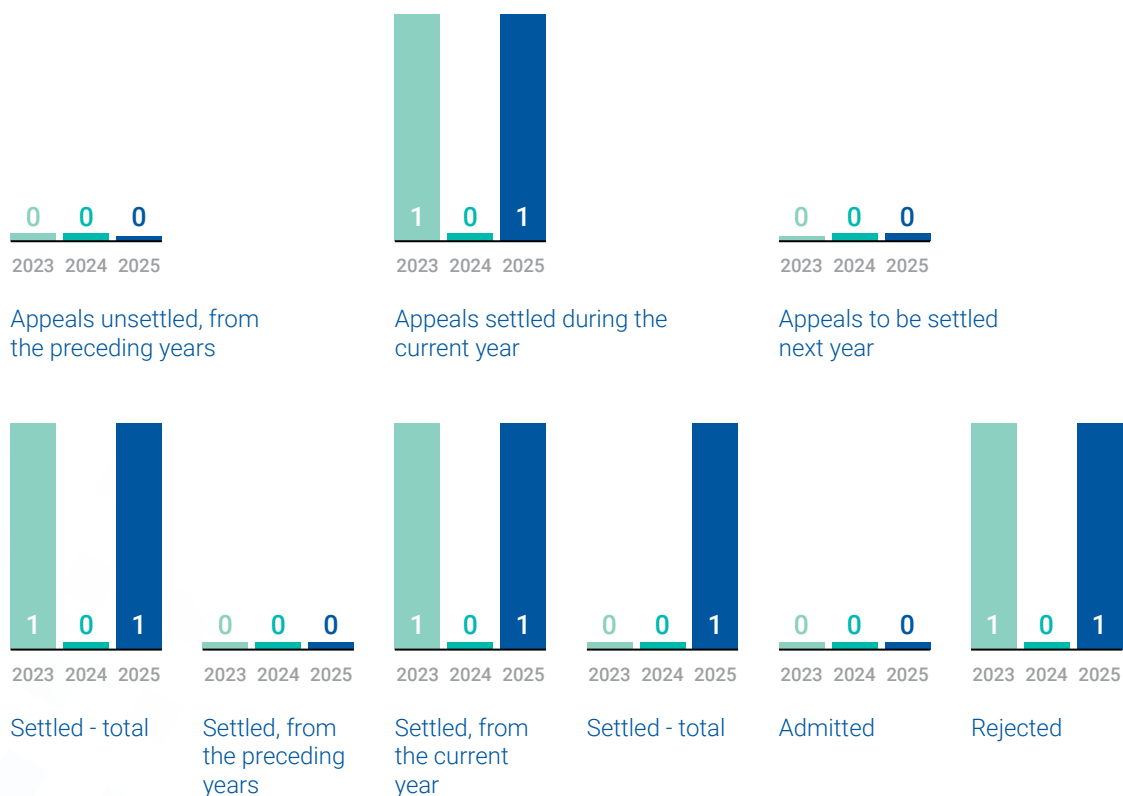
Appeals Lodged with the Patent Board of Appeal within the Legal Division



Appeals Lodged with the Trademark Board of Appeal within the Appeal Division



Appeals Lodged with the Design Board of Appeal within the Appeal Division



In 2025, the OSIM specialists of the Appeal Division, Legal Directorate, participated in conferences, symposia, scientific communications in IP field, of which we mention:

- ✓ PILOT PROJECT: Protection and Promotion of Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions, Beiuș, Romania,
- ✓ Committee on Development and Industrial Property (CDIP), 34-th session, Geneva,
- ✓ Meeting of the Visegrad Four and Friends – Budapest;
- ✓ Third Reunion of the EUIPO Boards of Appeal and Boards of Appeal of IP Offices of the Member States, Alicante.

Legislative Activity



In 2025, OSIM completed in due time the Draft Government Ordinance on setting the institutional framework and measures for applying Regulation (EU) No 2023/2411 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 October 2023 on Craft and Industrial Geographical Indications and amending the Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753.

During the last quarter of 2025, the draft law was submitted to the Ministry of Economy, Digitalization, Entrepreneurship and Tourism to be signed and to undergo the inter-institutional approval procedure that falls under the competence of the Ministry, as organization of legislative initiative.

OSIM Representation before Law Courts

In all cases in which OSIM was summoned as a party, both representation and defense of OSIM interests before the law courts were ensured, based on the documents of the case and the technical opinions provided by the specialized directorates/divisions.

OSIM appeared before the courts in court-hearings while observing the legal time limits for submitting and upholding counter-statements, objections to expert reports, written conclusions, filing the documents required by the courts for case judgement, etc.

Between 01.01 - 31.12.2025, 111 final decisions were pronounced and in 91 cases we won in court (namely 81.98% of cases).

Situation of Litigations Pending in Courts in 2025

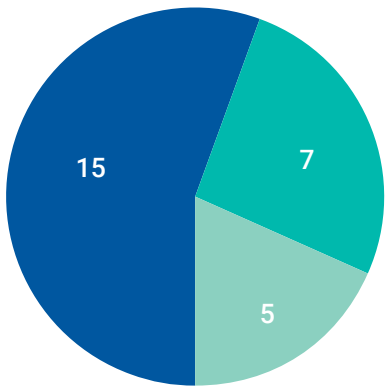


The situation of requests made by criminal investigation bodies concerning legal search in respect of granted industrial property protection titles in 2025 and of requests by other authorities, as shown by the Legal Division records, is the following:



Criminal investigation files in respect of which legal search was performed concerning protected industrial property rights, upon request by Police bodies

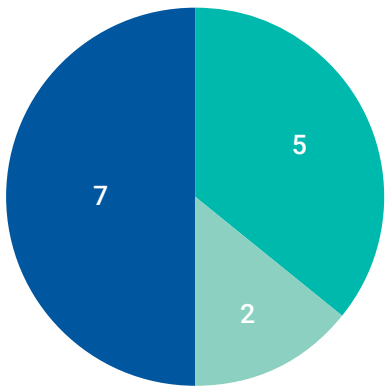
Trademark files
Design files
Patent files



The data concerning the legal status of the trademarks protected on the territory of Romania, upon the request of Police bodies, are transmitted by the Trademarks Division. In case of complex requests (involving various IP titles), the complete answer to the request shall be centralized by the Legal Division.

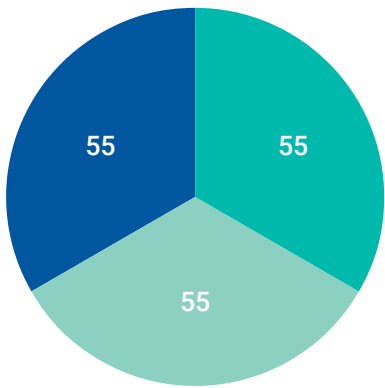
Search files upon the request of other institutions: law courts, ministries, natural persons and legal entities

Trademark files
Design files
Patent files



Analysis and documentation concerning foreclosure measures, upon request by bailiffs

Trademark files
Design files
Patent files



Answers to letters from national authorities, other than criminal investigation bodies

Files





International Cooperation Activity

In 2025, international cooperation represented one of the most important directions of OSIM's activity, contributing to the development and modernization of the industrial property system in Romania. Through constant collaboration with European and international organizations and offices, OSIM continued the exchange of experience and good practices, actively participating in joint projects, specialized meetings and initiatives aimed at the digitalization and modernization of services in the field of intellectual property.

During the year, OSIM collaborated closely with the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO), the European Patent Office (EPO), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the State Agency for Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova (AGEPI), both within the framework of European cooperation projects and in professional training, exchange of expertise and institutional development activities. These activities contributed to the consolidation of OSIM international relations, the modernization of the services provided to the users and the alignment of the organization practices with European and international standards in the field of industrial property.

Cooperation with the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO)

The year 2025 represented a new stage in the consolidation of the partnership between the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO). The collaboration was carried out under the Cooperation Agreement signed on 8 January 2025, later supplemented by two Addendums signed on February 17 and July 1, 2025. This legal framework ensured the stability and continuity of the bilateral relationship, in full accordance with the objectives of the EUIPO Strategic Plan 2030 and the priorities of the European Union Intellectual Property Network (EUIPN), a structure of which OSIM is part and to whose initiatives it actively contributes.

On this basis, OSIM experts have been involved in the new generation of European Cooperation Projects (ECP1–ECP5) and in the related virtual communities, ensuring participation in technical and legal fields. The activities have focused on key topics such as the new EUIPO competence on geographical indications for craft and industrial products (CIGIs), the transposition of the Industrial Designs Directive, the classification of designs, IT security and the development of new common examination practices (CP16, CP17 and CP18). This involvement has supported convergence and alignment of practices within the EUIPN, contributing to increased coherence in examination and to the modernization of services offered to our users.

The operational dimension of the cooperation aimed at reinforcing the IT infrastructure and integrating the solutions developed within the European cooperation

projects of EUIPO into the current activity of OSIM. Thus, the activities of the year 2025 focused on the exploitation of the Back Office platform version 3 and the preparation for the progressive transition to version 4, starting with the implementation of the Letter Editor Module project, including the analysis of additional functionalities necessary to support the work of examiners and optimize workflows. In this context, within the Letter Editor Module Project, implemented to support the process of drawing up decisions and other official documents, the module became operational in December 2025, after the activities started in March. The first stage

aimed at implementing 10 standardized templates, to be then expanded through our own resources, with technical support from EUIPO where required. The implemented tool facilitates examiners' work by using predefined models, this way contributing to increased coherence and uniformity of issued documents, streamlining the drafting process and optimizing document management within the Back Office platform.

Also, in 2025, the technical implementation of the CTI and Blockchain solution was completed by activating the option of viewing, in TMView and DesignView, the history of trademarks and designs transmitted by OSIM to EUIPO, using the CTI application and using Blockchain technology. Further on, efforts focused on improving data quality, an essential step to ensure the accuracy of information and to fully capitalize on traceability solutions in digital cooperation across Europe. In parallel, through the Project ECP3 dedicated to emerging technol-

ogies and data use, the role of OSIM evolved from technical implementation to active analytical contribution. The transmitted CTI datasets allowed the integration of national trademark and industrial design data into analysis reports at European level and supported the elaboration of the EUIPN Trends Report 2023–2024. Our organization also maintained its involvement in the preparation of the 2025 edition, consolidating its status as a trusted data provider and partner in strategic analysis activities and in anticipation of developments within the EUIPN network.



The cooperation with EUIPO during 2025 also had an important legislative dimension, aiming at preparing the application of Regulation (EU) 2023/2411 on geographical indications for craft and industrial products (CIGIs) and the process of transposition of the new Directive on industrial designs. Participation in dedicated EUIPO virtual communities facilitated access to practical guidance, technical exchanges and training sessions, contributing to the strengthening of the national implementation framework.

Beside the technical and legislative component, the cooperation also included measures dedicated to supporting the business environment. Through the Project ECP5 – Inclusivity in IP, Business and Innovation and Promotion of the SME Fund, OSIM organized information and awareness-raising activities in Arad, Craiova and Timisoara, as well as specialized assistance sessions for the public and the entrepreneurial environment, supporting the increase in awareness regarding the protection of industrial property rights and the access to European support instruments.

In 2025, OSIM actively contributed, as well, to the development of the Foresight Project, a strategic initiative launched by EUIPO in September 2025, dedicated to analyzing the evolution of the European intellectual property system in the perspective of the year 2045. The early involvement of our office reflects its commitment to proactively participate in future-oriented debates on the transformations of the IP system. Thus, an OSIM expert was appointed to the Multidisciplinary Expert Group established in November 2025 and participated in the first workshop organized in Brussels, between 10–11 November 2025. The discussions focused on the application of the foresight methodology and the development of initial scenarios regarding the future of the intellectual property system in the European Union. The project approach has a transversal character, integrating perspectives from fields such as geopolitics, economics, innovation and technology, in order to substantiate a long-term strategic analysis. Through this involvement, OSIM consolidates its position as an active partner in the processes of strategic reflection at European level, contributing to shaping the development directions of the intellectual property system.

In addition to the implementation of the projects, the operational dialogue with the EUIPO was strengthened by the two technical visits of the EUIPO delegation to the OSIM headquarters, held in a hybrid format on 18 February 2025 and 11 September 2025. These meetings allowed for the assessment of the progress we made, the analysis of the status of joint activities and the establishment of priorities for the next period, providing a structured framework for the exchange of information and for aligning the technical approaches.

The strategic dimension of cooperation was also reflected by the participation of the OSIM delegation in the fifth Annual Meeting on Cooperation within the EUIPN, held in Limassol, Cyprus. The event represented the main forum for coordinating the implementation of the EUIPO Strategic Plan 2030 and the new architecture of the European cooperation. OSIM participation aimed at aligning national priorities with the common objectives of the Network, especially in the field of digitalization,

the use of artificial intelligence and the implementation of the new European regulations, contributing to the consolidation of Romania's institutional positioning within the EUIPN.

In the same spirit of enhanced cooperation, the partnership with the EUIPO Boards of Appeal was consolidated by the participation of OSIM experts in the 3rd Meeting of the Network of Appeal Bodies of EU IP Offices (25 September, Alicante), as well as in events dedicated to mediation and jurisdictional practice in the field of intellectual property. Direct dialogue with members of the Boards of Appeal and representatives of national offices facilitated the updating of case law, the exchange of experience on the resolution of appeals and the alignment of national practice with European standards. At the same time, participation in the IP Mediation Conference (16–17 October, Malta) and the Visegrád Group Intellectual Property Seminar (6–7 March, Budapest) complemented this cooperation through debates dedicated to alternative dispute resolution mechanisms and convergence of practices.

During 2025, OSIM top management ensured Romania's representation in the meetings of the Management Board and Budget Committee of the EUIPO (MB/BC), held in Alicante in June and November 2025. Said participation aimed at adopting decisions regarding the governance of the Office, the selection procedures and extension of the mandates of the members of the Boards of Appeal, as well as supporting the implementation of the Strategic Plan 2030, reaffirming the commitment to strengthening cooperation within the EUIPN.

A moment of European visibility was the participation of the OSIM delegation in the sixth edition of the "DesignEuropa 2025" Awards Ceremony, held in Copenhagen, where the Next Generation Design Award was won by the young Romanian David Borović, a student of Universitatea de Vest of Timișoara, for the project SYNTHESIS. This award confirms Romania's competitive potential in the field of industrial design and the relevance of its specialized university training.

By implementing the activities provided for in the Cooperation Agreement 2025 and by actively participating in the EUIPN, OSIM has reaffirmed its role as a responsible and proactive partner within the European intellectual property network, contributing to the modernization of public services, the convergence of practices and the development of an efficient, secure and user-oriented intellectual property system.

Cooperation with the European Patent Office (EPO)

In 2025, OSIM benefited, within the framework of the Bilateral Cooperation Agreement with the European Patent Office (EPO), from a series of professional and language training activities, aimed at improving staff skills and supporting alignment with European standards and practices.

At the same time, OSIM examiners and experts participated in professional training programs and workshops organized by the EPO, namely:

- ✓ OW16 – Training program for a new Ansera tool (physical format event)
- ✓ OW1-2025 – Structuring a search and defining a search strategy
- ✓ OV31-2025 – Ansera search tool
- ✓ Workshop on IT Cooperation – Support for digital transformation (physical format event)

As part of the activities of cooperation with the EPO, according to the Young Professionals Program (YPP) organized by the EPO for young professionals, a Romanian specialist, who was enrolled in this three-year training program, completed a three-month secondment at OSIM. Here, he was involved in communication and international relations activities, in institutional reporting and the development of public information tools.

OSIM continued its participation in the Convergence of Practice project within the European Patent Network (EPN), including the working groups dedicated to Broad claim and Double patenting, as well as in search activities based on the new Ansera tool. These activities supported the transition from EPOQUE Net to AbS, the de-commissioning of Patnet, the integration of AI-assisted functionalities and the full digitalization of the patent granting workflow, while promoting the exchange of knowledge and good practices between national intellectual property offices.

Under the same Agreement, OSIM supported the implementation of the Candidate Support Program (CSP), aimed at encouraging the participation of European intellectual property attorneys in the field of patents. Experts from the Communication Compartment and the International Relations Compartment contributed to giving online information to interested parties and promoting access to the program. In 2025, although no requests for participation were registered, this activity strengthened the CSP visibility and accessibility while keeping open the opportunities for participation in the following years.

OSIM management and experts represented Romania, as a Member State of the European Patent Convention (EPC), in the main committees of the EPO. Through its involvement in these committees, OSIM participated in the decision-making process and strategic consultations at European level, contributing to the alignment of national practices with EPO standards and procedures and promoting Romania's interest in the field of patents.



Cooperation with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

In 2025, OSIM actively participated in the meetings of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) while representing Romania in international committees and expert groups. OSIM experts and examiners participated in activities and work groups in the fields of patents, trademarks and design, international classification, as well as in initiatives dedicated to the development and protection of traditional knowledge and genetic resources.

At the same time, OSIM supported, along with the Romanian Copyright Office (ORDA), the implementation of the project “Țara Beiușului”, following the request for WIPO assistance, through the Build Back Fund, to support disadvantaged communities in Beiuș Region, for post-pandemic reconstruction purposes. The aim of the project was to strengthen the capacity of local communities to protect and capitalize on traditional knowledge (TK), traditional cultural expressions (TCE) and genetic resources (GR) through the use of intellectual property tools. WIPO welcomed the initiative and pointed out the impact of intellectual property in supporting cultural sustainability and the economic revitalization of the region.

These actions reflect the involvement of OSIM at the international level and contribute to the promotion of standards and good practices in the field of intellectual property, in accordance with our organization strategic objectives.

Bilateral Cooperation with the State Agency for Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova (AGEPI)

In 2025, the cooperation between the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) and the State Agency for Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova (AGEPI) was carried out in a framework characterized by the deepening of the bilateral partnership. The institutional relationship evolved on multiple levels, with the strategic dialogue at the top management level being complemented by specialized thematic exchanges, work visits and applied technical activities. These steps were taken under the Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2023, which continued to constitute the legal and operational basis of the cooperation between the two offices.

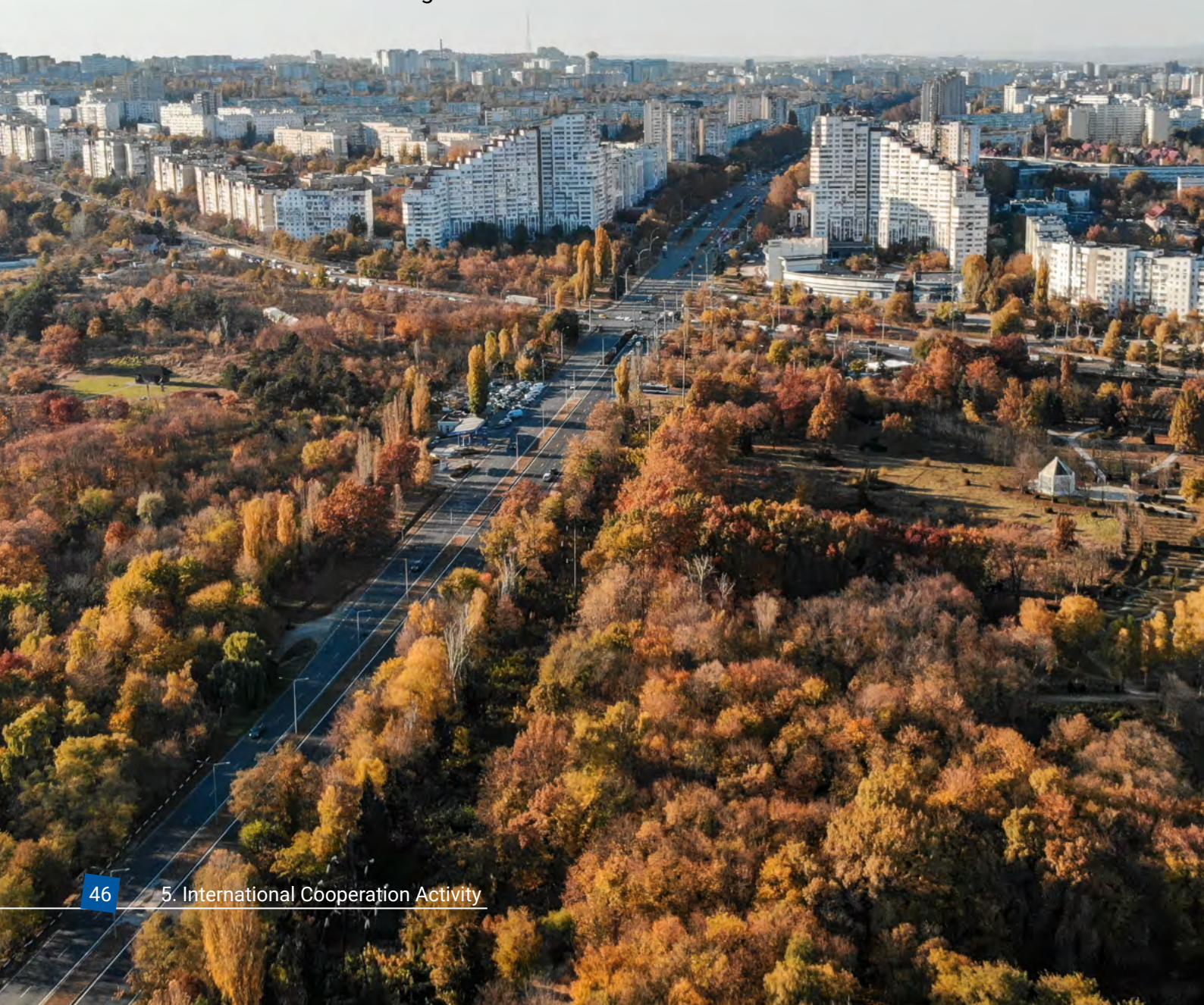
During the first part of the year, activities focused on establishing priority areas of collaboration and strengthening inter-institutional coordination mechanisms. In this context, the Trilateral Meeting at the Top Management Level OSIM–AGEPI–ORDA, held in Bucharest on 24–25 March 2025, represented a key moment in the strategic dialogue. The top management of the three institutions reaffirmed their joint commitment to supporting reforms in the field of intellectual property and to intensifying technical cooperation in support of the European path of the Republic of Moldova. The discussions allowed for the assessment of the stage of harmonization of national legislation with the *acquis* of the European Union and the identification of the next steps in the process of regulatory and administrative alignment. The agenda primarily focused on the field of trademarks and industrial designs, including the transposition and application of the relevant European regulatory framework, the optimization of examination procedures, as well as the strengthening of mechanisms for resolving appeals. At the same time, the importance of the exchange of good practices, consultations between experts and training programs dedicated to specialists, as concrete development tools, was highlighted. The meeting was concluded with the signing of the OSIM-AGEPI-ORDA Joint Action Plan for 2025, a document that established the collaboration priorities for the reference year and provided the operational framework necessary for the implementation of the agreed initiatives, with a view to strengthening the administrative capacity and developing an effective, modern and EU-standard-compatible intellectual property system.

Further on, the cooperation materialized through the involvement of OSIM experts in technical and advisory activities. Thus, during the period 2-3 April 2025, an OSIM expert participated in a Workshop organized in Chisinau by AGEPI, in partnership with the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) and with the support of the project “Strengthening Intellectual Property Rights in Moldova and Ukraine” (EU4IP), dedicated to the analysis of the legal framework for enforcement of intellectual property rights and the elaboration of the National Action Plan in the field. The contribution of OSIM aimed at the exchange of good practices, the comparative analysis of existing mechanisms and the identification of applicable solutions, in cooperation with the authorities of the Republic of Moldova, with international experts and representatives of European organizations.

The spring of 2025 was marked by the intensification of cooperation in the field of promotion and education in the field of intellectual property. On April 16, 2025, OSIM was represented at the 26th edition of the Scientific and Practical Symposium “AGEPI Lectures”, organized on the occasion of the World Intellectual Property Day, an event that brought together specialists, professors, researchers and students. In the same anniversary context, OSIM supported the organization of the 9th edition of the Intellectual Property Competition for Youth, held in partnership with AGEPI, the Romanian Copyright Office (ORDA) and the Ministry of Education and Research of the Republic of Moldova. The competition recorded significant participation at the national level, which pointed out the increased interest of young people in the field of intellectual property and the role of IP education in stimulating creativity and innovation.

In the second half of the year, bilateral cooperation entered a stage of thematic deepening and regional expansion. During the period of 8-9 September 2025, an OSIM delegation participated in the Regional Conference on Intellectual Property and Creative Industries, organized in Chisinau by AGEPI, in cooperation with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and with the support of the project EU4IP. The conference provided a framework for regional dialogue on the role of intellectual property as a strategic tool for the development of creative industries and increasing economic competitiveness, while also contributing to strengthening the visibility of OSIM–AGEPI cooperation at the regional level.

In this second semester of 2025, the cooperation was materialized, as well, through technical applicative exchanges. During the period 22–26 September 2025, OSIM experts paid a working visit to Chisinau, dedicated to the exchange of experience in the field of digitalization of technological processes and management of computerized technological heritage. The visit included thematic sessions on the digitalization of trademark and industrial design examination processes, on the use of Front-Office and Back-Office IT applications, on the security of digital services and the optimization of IT infrastructure, while highlighting good practices and applicable solutions for streamlining the activities of both offices.



Also, during the period 6–9 October 2025, OSIM experts paid a working visit to Chisinau, focused on an exchange of experience on the protection of topographies of semiconductor products and the examination of patent applications in the field of computer programs. The visit, included in the Action Plan for 2025, had a pronounced applicative character, allowing for the comparative analysis of examination procedures, discussions on evaluation criteria and identification of concrete solutions for the optimization of specialized activities.

As a continuation of these steps, between 4 and 6 November 2025, OSIM hosted, in Bucharest, the work visit of an AGEPI delegation, dedicated to the transposition and application of the new European regulations in the field of industrial designs. The visit included technical sessions on the organization of examination services, legislative harmonization, digitalization of procedures and the use of IT tools integrated with EUIPO platforms, the dialogue pointing out the expertise of OSIM in the process of alignment with European standards and providing AGEPI with concrete benchmarks for adapting the national regulatory and procedural framework.

Bilateral cooperation was completed, in December 2025, by the participation of OSIM in the 19th edition of the International Specialized Exhibition “INFOINVENT”, organized in Chisinau between 3-5 December 2025. The event represented a reference platform for promoting creativity, innovation and scientific research, bringing together inventors, researchers, the academic environment, entrepreneurs and public authorities. OSIM participation with an exhibition booth and promotional materials contributed to strengthening the professional dialogue and promoting the national system of industrial property protection.

At the same time, within INFOINVENT 2025, OSIM experts participated in multiple thematic events organized during the exhibition, reflecting the complexity and diversity of its program. They took part in the International Innovation Conference dedicated to Youth, Technology and Intellectual Property, in the debate sessions and thematic panels focused on the role of intellectual property in stimulating creativity, innovation and entrepreneurship, as well as in related activities dedicated to education in the field of intellectual property and its integration into the academic and research environment. Participation in this set of thematic events facilitated the exchange of experience with experts from AGEPI, EUIPO, EPO and other national and international institutions, contributing to the deepening of professional dialogue and the promotion of OSIM expertise within the regional innovation and intellectual property ecosystem.

Overall, the year 2025 represented a stage of diversification of OSIM–AGEPI cooperation, characterized by a series of activities – from strategic coordination and institutional dialogue, to technical-applicative exchanges, mutual visits and joint participation in regional and international events – which contributed to the consolidation of bilateral relations, the transfer of expertise and the support of modernization processes and alignment with European standards in the field of intellectual property.



Industrial Property Protection Promotion Activity

During 2025, OSIM experts of the Communication and IP Promotion Compartment were involved in actions of promotion of protection and valorization of industrial property, consisting of seminars, conferences, round tables.

Participation in exhibition events, such as: national research, innovation and technology transfer exhibitions and technical fairs, represented last year an important component of the activity of OSIM experts who thus had the opportunity to share information of interest in the field of industrial property with participants. Among the events in which OSIM experts participated, it is worth mentioning:

EUIPO Webinars – SME FUND Project

In the first webinar, the SME FUND 2025 program was launched, giving participants the opportunity to attend a demonstration session on the use of the platform to be applied in various fields. The other webinars had as the main topic of discussion the results obtained from the launching up to the date of the meeting sessions, suggestions and information about changes and news.

EUIPO Webinars – Virtual Communities – ECP4 – Business and Innovation Support (EIPIC)

The meeting sessions had as their main objective the presentation of the existing projects in the program, the identification of new services intended to support entrepreneurs who want to protect their businesses by holding industrial property titles, at national, regional or European level.

The exchange of best practices, of experience, strengthens and develops new ideas for implementing the presented projects.

Online event “IP for You” – organized by EUIPO and OSIM

The webinar aimed to promote harmonized common practices, as well as to present the tools and services available for the effective protection of intellectual property rights. Topics such as: Distinctive Character of Figurative Marks with Descriptive Verbal Elements; Distinctiveness. Morality. Religion. Public Order; Proof of Use; Alternative Dispute Resolution were included in the agenda.

Seminar: Industrial Property Protection Impact: Law, Business, Society. Advantages of Holding an Industrial Property Title, Arad

On February 13, 2025, the Seminar “Law, Business, Society”, was held in Arad, organized by Vasile Goldiș University in collaboration with the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks.

The event was a good opportunity for specialists, academics, students and entrepreneurs to debate current topics in the legal field and their impact on the socio-economic environment.

The event had as its central topic “Advantages of Holding an Industrial Property Title” and discussed the advantages it offers – from legal protection to economic benefits - as well as the challenges that arise in the process of innovation registration and protection.

The open dialogue and exchange of ideas made this event a valuable opportunity for all those interested in the protection of industrial property.

Seminar “Protection of Industrial Property Rights – Essential Pillar of Innovation in Health Research” Craiova

During the seminar organized in collaboration with the University of Medicine and Pharmacy in Craiova, OSIM representatives held a series of interventions, with a detailed presentation on the protection of inventions and the latest developments in the field of patenting. The main topic of the presentation, entitled “Procedure for Obtaining Protection for a Technical Solution”, addressed in depth the advantages conferred by holding a patent, the necessary steps in the patenting process as well as concrete examples from OSIM practice, received with special interest by the participants.

Essential information was also provided regarding the field of trademarks, both nationally and across the European Union. The lecture emphasized the importance of trademarks in the economic and social context, the major benefits of their registration and the need for protection at the national and international level. In the same session, the trademark registration procedures, both in Romania and in the European Union, were explained in detail, with their typology, the steps of filing an application for registration, the costs involved by registration and maintenance in force, supported by relevant illustrative examples from the field.

Information on the European fund for SMEs, “Ideas Powered for Business” 2025, including the necessary steps to obtain financing, the timing of application filing, the program activation period, as well as the specific benefits for SMEs that can access this fund was presented.

Seminar: University, Entrepreneurship, Industrial Property Advantages of Owning a Protection Title, Timișoara

On 12 May 2025, the seminar “University, Entrepreneurship, Industrial Property. Advantages of Owning an Industrial Property Title” was organized by the University of Life Sciences King Mihai I of Timișoara (through the Technology Transfer Center) and the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks.

The seminar is part of a series of wide-range events marking the 80th anniversary of the establishment of the University of Life Sciences King Mihai I of Timisoara, thus providing an excellent opportunity, for both the academic and business environment, as well as for specialists of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks, to interact and discuss the challenges, trends and opportunities specific to industrial property.

The event pointed out the importance of collaboration between the university and the entrepreneurial environment and regulatory institutions in the field of industrial property while highlighting the important role that universities must play in promoting innovation and sustainable development.

National Scientific Creativity Olympiad for students – ONCS, 5th edition

The event was organized by the Ministry of National Education, the University Ștefan cel Mare of Suceava, the Suceava County School Inspectorate, the Cygnus Scientific Society – UNESCO center, the Forum of Romanian Inventors and AGIR, with the aim of promoting creativity and innovation among young people. It encouraged the active involvement of school, high-school and university students in research, while developing skills to solve real problems through original solutions.

The National Scientific Creativity Olympiad (ONCS) was attended by 315 students from 34 counties and 4 sectors of Bucharest, with 141 papers, and, on the other hand, at the International Exhibition of Innovation and Creative Education for Youth (ICE-USV) over 100 inventions and projects from countries such as Cameroon, Indonesia, Croatia, Poland, Taiwan and the Republic of Moldova were presented.

Conference Cluj Innovation Days, XIII-th edition, Cluj Napoca

Cluj Innovation Days is an annual large-scale event dedicated to encouraging innovation and entrepreneurship, as well as promoting collaboration between different industries and sectors, aiming at the emergence of new business models with an impact on society. The event aims to promote and stimulate creativity, innovation and scientific thinking among young people, by offering platforms for expression, competition and collaboration. This year the conference was focused on innovation, bringing MedTech to the forefront of sustainable growth, of technological advancement and medical breakthroughs. The 13th edition of this flagship annual event was a dynamic platform for driving innovation, encouraging entrepreneurship and facilitating cross-sector collaborations with real impact.

During the event, OSIM specialists provided the participants with informative and promotional materials, such as brochures, flyers and registration guides, and promptly answered their questions, offering them practical and relevant information for protection and capitalization on their creations.

During the workshop “Technological Readiness Level & IP Protection in MedTech” – which focused on the technological readiness levels (TRL) necessary for the successful introduction of medical technologies to the market and the importance of intellectual property (IP) protection in the MedTech field, the OSIM representative presented the paper “Patentable and Unpatentable – Exceptions to patentability in the field of medical technologies”. The paper addressed key aspects of patentability criteria in the MedTech sector, providing concrete examples of inventions that may or may not be patentable. Various topics were discussed, such as: therapeutic and non-therapeutic methods, particular cases from the examination practice, computer-assisted medical technologies, the patenting process and practical considerations related to the drafting of patent applications.

Thus, the workshop offered participants a clear and applied perspective on current regulations and the specific challenges encountered in protecting medical innovation, with an emphasis on the importance of knowing legal limitations and how they influence industrial property strategies in the health field.

Training Session organized by EUIPO – Ideas Powered for Business: “Industrial Property and Finance: Monetization of Industrial Property Rights” – Train the Adviser, Online

This session was aimed at business advisers working with SMEs. These sessions are designed to highlight the value of intellectual property to businesses and how innovation can be protected through intellectual property rights. The session delved into intellectual property monetization opportunities such as licensing, franchising and co-branding as means of generating profit from intellectual property.

An introduction to the valuation of intellectual property as well as their importance in various transactions was also presented.

CocoNet Annual Training, Online

The European Patent Office (EPO) and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) organized their annual online training, using the Coconet network. The topic on which the training was designed was “Crisis Communication”. The course focused on developing the skills needed to effectively manage communication in times of crisis, including identifying types of crises and elaborating an appropriate communication plan.

Participants learned how to deliver clear and transparent messages, manage media relations and respond quickly to public needs at critical moments. Strategies for crisis management in the digital environment, controlling disinformation and rebuilding the image of the organization after a crisis were also discussed. The training course included case studies and simulation exercises to practice emergency response.

PATLIB Conference, Vienna

The CCPPI expert participated in the annual meeting of the PATLIB network, which includes more than 332 centers in Europe; it was organized in a hybrid format, with a physical presence of more than 200 representatives of national offices and centers, as well as online followers. PATLIB conference 2025 focused on the role of PATLIB centers and their evolution to support innovation. The event provided a framework for reflection and exchange of ideas regarding the implementation of the strategic objectives of the PATLIB 2028 plan, emphasizing the importance of an effective approach in strengthening the PATLIB network and its value to inventors. Discussions also focused on the connections between PATLIB centers and the field of technology transfer, looking at how these centers can better support inventors and the process of capitalizing on innovation.

Virtual Community Reunion – ECP4 – Business and Innovation Support (EIPIC), Alicante

The OSIM CCPPI expert took part in the Virtual Community Meeting - ECP4 - Business and Innovation Support (EIPIC), an event dedicated to analyzing the progress and continuous development of the ECP4 platform, as well as related initiatives. These included the EIPIC Service Catalogue, the Best Practice Database and the website dedicated to SMEs. The event stimulated in-depth discussions among participants on strategies to measure performance and strengthen virtual community engagement. At the same time, the next steps to promote an effective collaboration within the EUIPN were defined.

Seminar: “Symbiosis between Innovation and Industrial Property: Strategic Axis of Scientific Progress in a National and International Context”, Timișoara

In order to promote the protection of industrial property and support the business environment by providing information about the importance and advantages of protecting industrial property, CCPPI experts coordinated the organization of the seminar “Symbiosis between Innovation and Industrial Property: Strategic Axis of Scientific Progress in a National and International Context”, held on 2 October 2025. The event was organized by OSIM, in collaboration with the University of Life Sciences King Mihai I of Timișoara, reaching an attendance of approximately 300 participants.

The OSIM delegation gave lectures on various topics, including:

- ✧ “OSIM – Ambassador of Industrial Property. We Promote and Protect Innovation.”
- ✧ “How to Get Protection for a Technical Solution?”
- ✧ “Innovation and Identity: The Power of a Brand in the Modern World”
- ✧ “Financing Solutions for the Registration of Industrial Property Rights – SME Fund 2025”.

Technology Transfer Festival – TETRAFEST Bucharest

The Technology Transfer Festival in the Bucharest-Ilfov region has become a veritable point of convergence for researchers, students, entrepreneurs, investors, economic organizations, as well as for representatives of public administration and civil society. All participants came together with the aim of creating links between research, innovation and the business environment.

TETRAFEST 2025 provided a conducive environment for dialogue, inspiration and collaboration, being a factor in strengthening a dynamic community of innovators. The event pointed out how trust, cooperation and a passion for innovation can turn a bold idea into a momentous and future-shaping community, as symbolized by its motto: Innovate, Connect and Transform the Future!"

CCPPI experts were present at the OSIM booth, where they offered information in the field of intellectual property as requested by visitors and provided specialized guidance. They helped people from other regions to get in touch with the OSIM Regional Centers and advised SMEs on access to intellectual property protection financing, including through EUIPO's "Ideas Powered for Business – SME Fund" program. At the same time, our experts visited the exhibitors' booths, pointing out the importance of the protection of industrial property and its positive economic impact, with reference to the main forms of protection: patents, utility models, trademarks and designs.

In the "Entrepreneurial Discovery Workshop" that took place in the framework of the event, the CCPPI experts had an active participation, getting involved in the steps of the work session. Participants were introduced to the workshop methodology, focused on identifying innovative opportunities and turning them into concrete projects, and were organized into groups for the practical work session "Generating innovative projects". The activities included brainstorming, developing concepts and evaluating the feasibility of the proposed initiatives and, at the end, each group presented the results obtained, receiving detailed feedback from the moderators and experts.

UMF Technology Transfer Days, Cluj-Napoca

The event represented a strategic platform for dialogue between academia, researchers and the private sector, with the main goal of accelerating the transfer of technology and knowledge from the laboratory to the medical services market.

The event focused on advanced solutions for the future of medicine, addressing critical topics such as emerging technologies, including the use of artificial intelligence in diagnostics, biotechnology, genomics and the development of innovative medical equipment. A special emphasis was placed on the digitalization process and on facilitating access to medical services by expanding telemedicine, while

ensuring the security and confidentiality of medical data. In addition to these technical directions, discussions focused on the legal and financial framework necessary for innovation, with a priority on the protection of intellectual property through patents and the identification of financing mechanisms for research projects. By integrating “doors open day” activities in elite centers such as MedFUTURE and the Drug Research Center, the event facilitated a direct dialogue between the academic and business environment. Thus, patent presentations and research project results served as a starting point for new strategic partnerships between the university, start-ups and investors, strengthening the role of innovation in improving the healthcare system.

The specialist from the Patents and Technological Information Directorate gave a lecture on a topic of great interest – “Procedure for Obtaining Protection for a Technical Solution in Romania and Abroad”, which came to the support of participants who initiate the steps to file and obtain patents. The session was interactive, offering the participants the opportunity to ask specific questions to clarify aspects related to the filing procedure at the national and European level. In the networking and matchmaking sessions that took place during the event, the CCPPI representative provided participants with information on the filing procedure, as well as relevant news from the field of industrial property. Specialized information materials, consisting of OSIM guides and brochures, intended to help the understanding and correct application of specific steps were made available to the public.

Innovation and Technology Transfer Festival FITT-Muntenia, Târgoviște

The Innovation and Technology Transfer Festival FITT-Muntenia 2025 was a strategic event, organized under the aegis of the academic partnership between the University Valahia of Târgoviște and the University of Oil and Gas of Ploiești. The project was conceived as a complex mechanism for correlating research and development capacity with the needs of the socio-economic environment, aiming to facilitate the technology transfer process and capitalize on regional intellectual capital.

The fundamental objective of the event aimed at creating a sustainable innovation ecosystem, within which the results of scientific activity – materialized through patents and applied research projects – could be integrated into industrial and commercial circuits. The structure of the program allowed for a multidisciplinary approach, bringing together, within the Innovation Exhibition, cutting-edge technical solutions from priority areas such as bioeconomy, digitalization and green technologies. At the same time, the component dedicated to STEM education ensured the dissemination of the culture of innovation to young researchers, preparing the next generation of professionals for the demands of the labor market. The institutional dimension of the festival was strengthened by the presence of representatives of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry, as well as public administration officials, which favored the conclusion of new strategic partnerships between universities and economic operators.

During the first session of lectures, the CCPPI expert delivered a lecture entitled “OSIM – Central Pillar of Industrial Property Protection in Romania”. This intervention was intended to highlight the fundamental and indispensable role that our organization plays in the complex architecture of the industrial property system at the national level. The presentation emphasized that OSIM does not only function as a regulatory and registration body, but it represents a strategic authority that provides the legal and technical framework necessary for securing intellectual assets. It detailed the direct and significant impact that OSIM activity has on all actors involved in the innovation process, from individual inventors and researchers to large companies that want to protect their ideas and technical creations. The strategic importance of obtaining protection was discussed at large, with clarifications concerning the mechanisms through which applicants can access registration procedures both nationally and at European level. This approach aimed to raise awareness on the economic and legal benefits of protection, providing participants with a clear perspective on how OSIM supports the transformation of creativity into legally protected intellectual capital.

During the event, CCPPI experts held discussions on industrial property protection both in Romania and abroad, and provided participants with guides and brochures.

Seminar: Creativity Trophy, Constanța

The Creativity Trophy 2025 edition, organized in Constanța, represented a landmark moment for the local business community, being the result of a collaboration between the Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Navigation and Agriculture (CCINA) of Constanța and OSIM. These traditional distinctions were awarded to companies from the Constanța county that demonstrated a strategic vision by using innovation as the main driver of competitiveness. The event marked an important step in recognizing entrepreneurial performance, rewarding organizations that chose to secure their industrial property assets through the official registration of trademarks, designs and patents.

The seminar organized in this context provided a learning platform for participants, through the interventions of OSIM specialists. They addressed topics aimed at supporting both entrepreneurs at the beginning of their business activity and researchers seeking international protection of their inventions. The first lecture, entitled “The Power of Your Trademark Starts with Knowledge. Answers for Brand Creators”, focused on the importance of a visual identity in the success of a business. The experts provided essential clarifications for those developing their own brands, explaining how a correctly registered trademark becomes a valuable commercial asset and a tool for protection against unfair competition. The discussions provided applied answers to the challenges faced by brand creators in the process of registration and in the monitoring of distinctive signs. The second lecture, dedicated to the “European Patent with Unitary Effect”, brought to the forefront the latest developments in the European industrial property legislation. Specialists

explained the advantages of this simplified system, which allows uniform protection to be obtained across the territory of most European Union Member States through a centralized procedure.

In 2025, our experts were present at International Invention Fairs and Exhibitions, including:

- ✓ INVENTCOR International Exhibition, Deva, 6th edition;
- ✓ Cadet INOVA International Exhibition of Students' Innovation and Scientific Research, Sibiu, 10th edition;
- ✓ EUROINVENT European Exhibition of Creativity and Innovation, Iași, 17th edition;
- ✓ ICE-USV International Exhibition of Innovation and Creative Education for Youth, Suceava, 9th edition;
- ✓ INVENTICA International Exhibition of Inventions, Iași, 29th edition;
- ✓ TRAIAN VUIA International Exhibition of Inventions and Innovations, Timișoara, 11th edition;
- ✓ PRO INVENT International Exhibition of Scientific Research, Innovation and Inventions, XXIInd edition;
- ✓ UGAL INVENT Innovation and Research Exhibition, Galați, 7th edition;
- ✓ Invention and Innovation Exhibition, organized within the project – Technological Forum: Oltenia TechFest Târgu-Jiu;
- ✓ International Specialized Exhibition "INFOINVENT", 19th edition.

They also participated in four events dedicated to technology transfer, events whose main purpose was to accelerate the transfer of technology and knowledge from the laboratory to the market:

- ✓ UMF Technology Transfer Days, Cluj-Napoca;
- ✓ Innovation and Technology Transfer Festival FITT-Muntenia, Târgoviște;
- ✓ Technology Transfer Festival – TETRAFEST Bucharest;
- ✓ Technology Forum: Oltenia TechFest Târgu-Jiu.

CCPPI experts participated, as well, in the Fairs and Exhibitions organized by Romexpo, including:

- ✓ Romanian Tourism Fair, spring edition, Bucharest;
- ✓ Construct Ambient Expo and Mobila Expo (#TotulPentru CasaTa) Fairs, Bucharest;
- ✓ BIFE-SIM International Fair, Romexpo, Bucharest;
- ✓ International Fair of Products and Equipment for Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry – INDAGRA & International Fair for the Food Industry – INDAGRA FOOD 2025, Romexpo, Bucharest.

Promotion across
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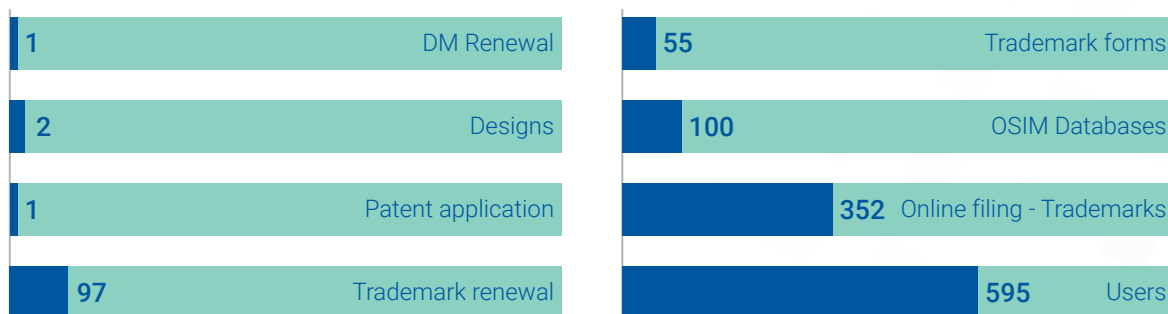
The Public Relations Compartment responded promptly and professionally to all requests for information received at the OSIM headquarters, by phone or by e-mail; in this context, 14,134 requests were registered, the fields of interest being those presented in the graph below.

Fields of Interest



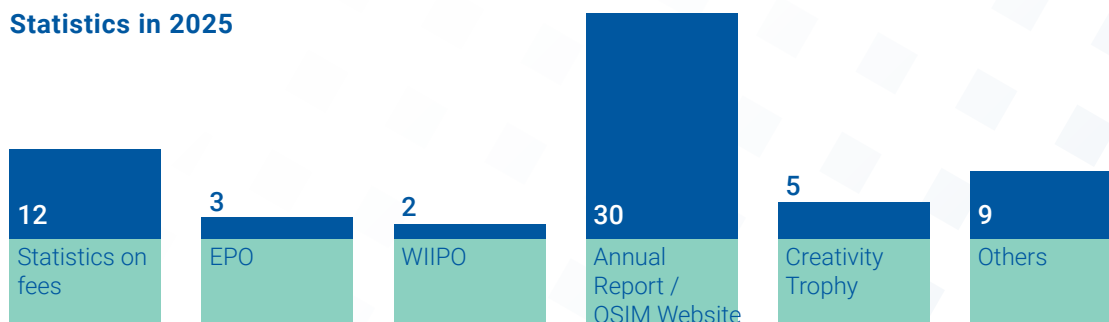
At the OSIM Reading Hall, 1,208 persons were lent specialized assistance consisting of information concerning the protection of inventions, trademarks and designs.

Services - OSIM Reading Hall



The specialists of OSIM have drawn up a series of statistical analysis studies as it can be seen below.

Statistics in 2025



PATLIB Activity

The Regional Centers of OSIM are established by virtue of Art. 14 (1) of the Government Decision No 573 of 7 September 1998 (as updated) on the organization and functioning of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks, which stipulates: “The State Office for Inventions and Trademarks may support the activity of regional centers in the field of industrial property by lending technical assistance, consultancy and endowing them, in accordance with the legislation in force”. The Regional Centers are territorial entities attached to local institutions from which they benefit by financial support, premises with office supplies and personnel, while OSIM provides them with support in the field of staff training and with all the publications of OSIM.

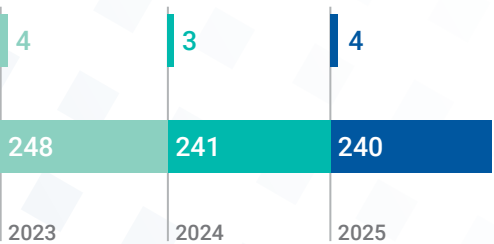
The establishment of Regional Centers was aimed at the promotion of the industrial property protection importance across the country, at the dissemination of public information on industrial property and raising awareness of local communities on this field of activity. The centers operate within the framework of local host-institutions, based on collaboration conventions concluded with OSIM, for jointly setting the objectives, as well as the duties and obligations of each party.

The main goal of the Regional Centers is to promote the industrial property protection and the services provided by OSIM across the Romanian territory.

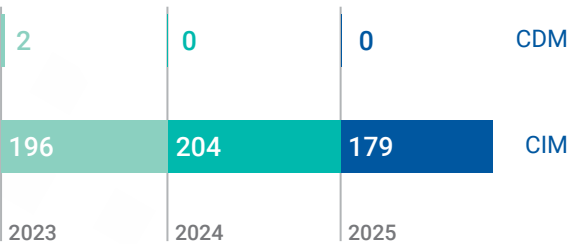
Other activities of the Regional Centers concern the provision of services, such as: documentary search, technical assistance lent to applicants, within their Reading Halls, training regarding database utilization, evaluation of the economic potential of inventions and development of industrial property strategy, delivery of lectures on intellectual property protection in seminars, round tables, fairs organized in the respective regions as well as courses of initiation in the industrial property field, in particular in the case of Centers hosted by universities.

Applications, by Administrative Units

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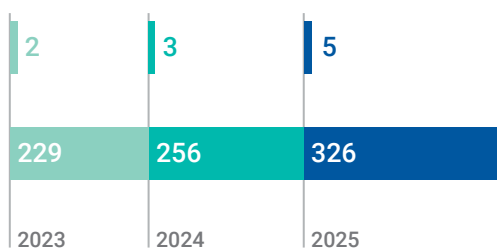


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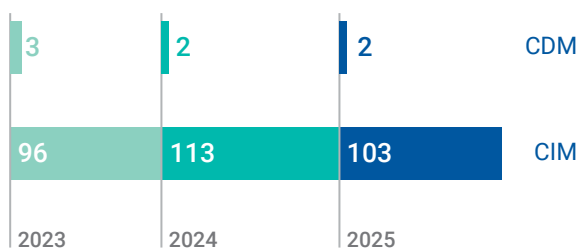


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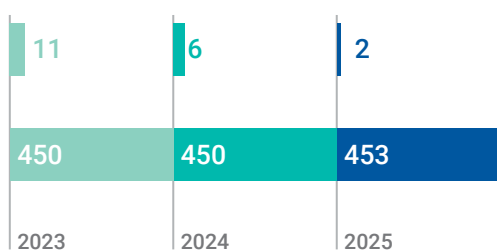
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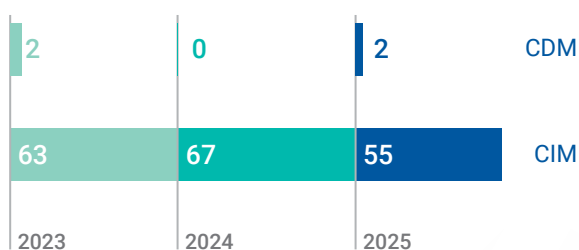
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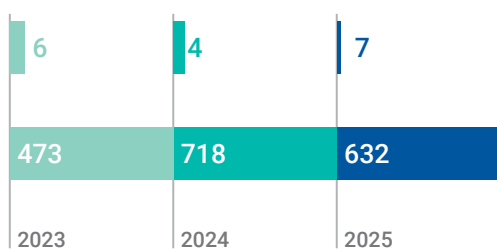
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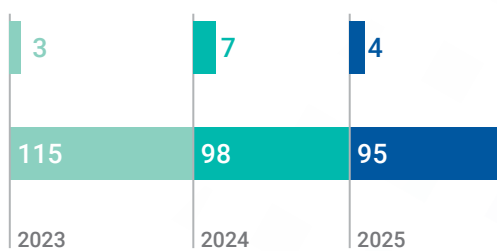
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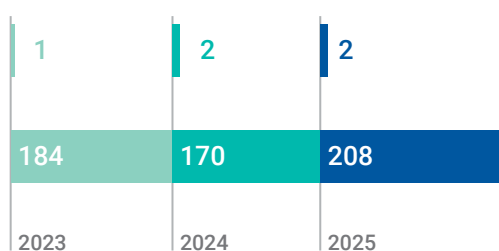
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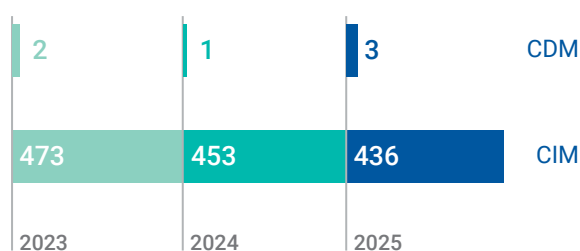
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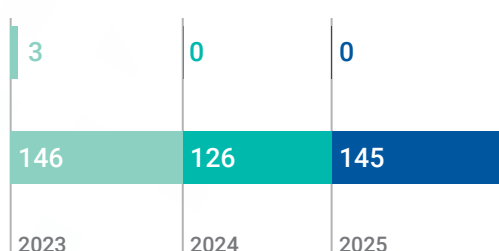
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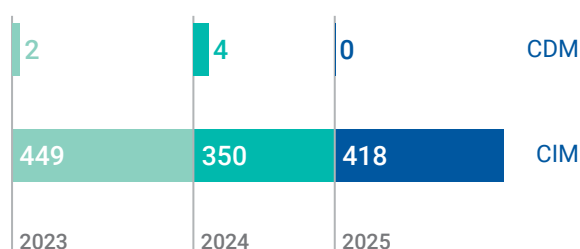
PATLIB Center Sibiu



PATLIB Center Suceava



PATLIB Center Timiș



In the period 03-04 July 2025, Vienna hosted, at the premises of the European Patent Office, the annual PATLIB Conference.

The event was open to all professionals interested in intellectual property and innovation, whether they are part of the PATLIB network or not and was held in a hybrid format, allowing for both physical and online participation. The conference was attended in physical format by both National Offices representatives and Regional Centers representatives.

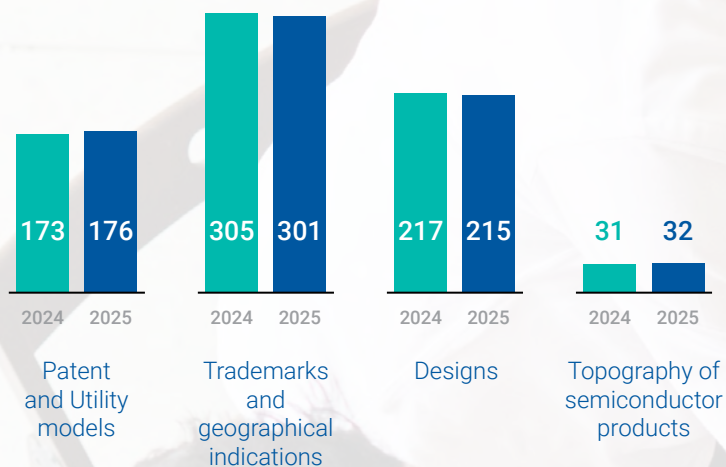
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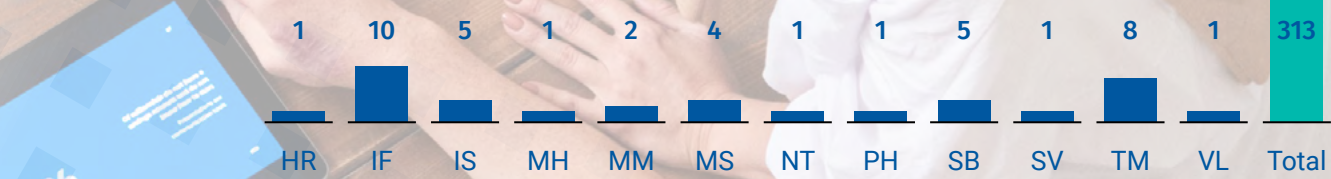
Industrial property attorneys

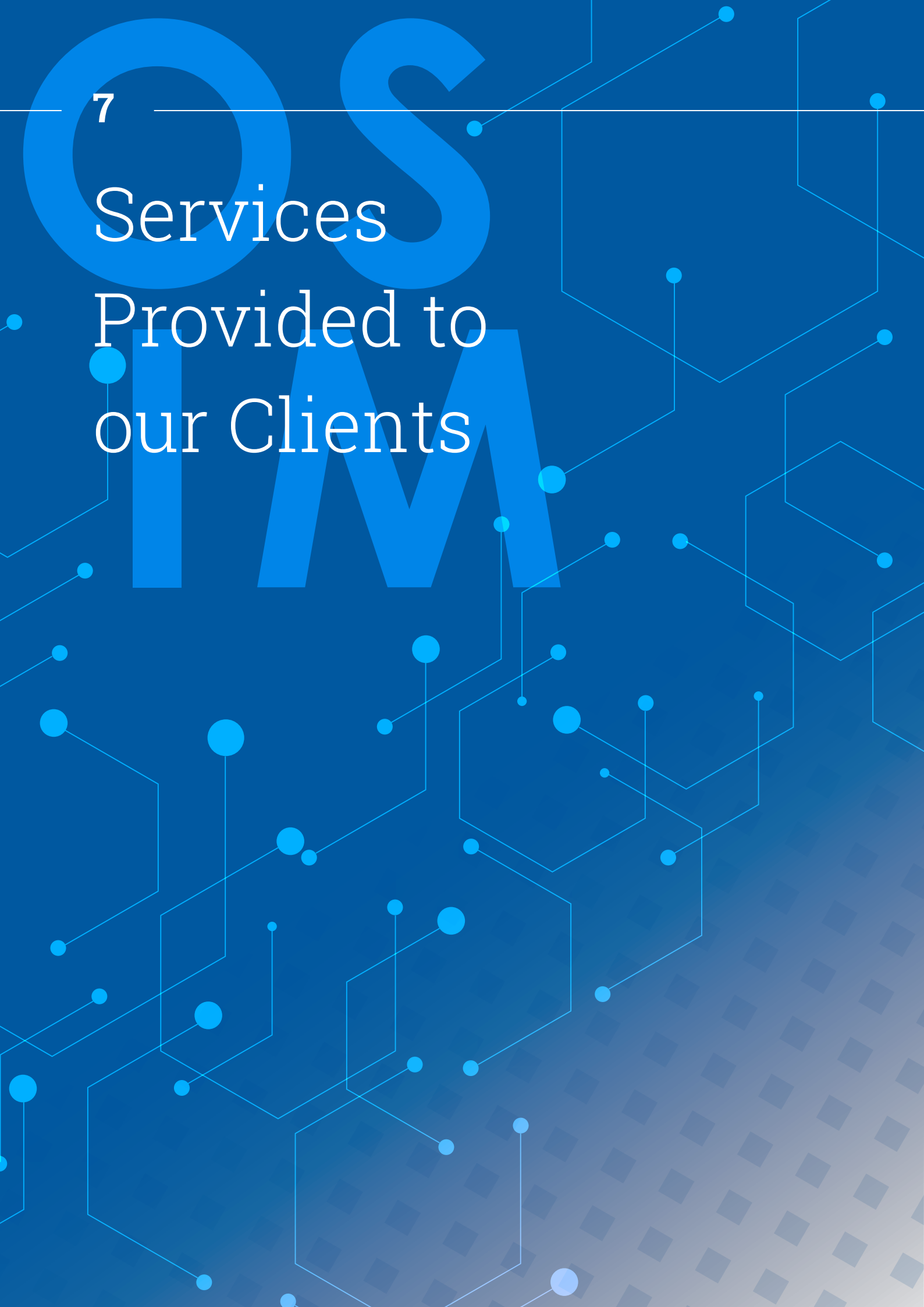
On 31.12.2025, 313 industrial property attorneys were registered with the National Chamber of Industrial Property Attorneys in the four fields:



Industrial Property Attorneys which are Members of CNCPIR, by counties





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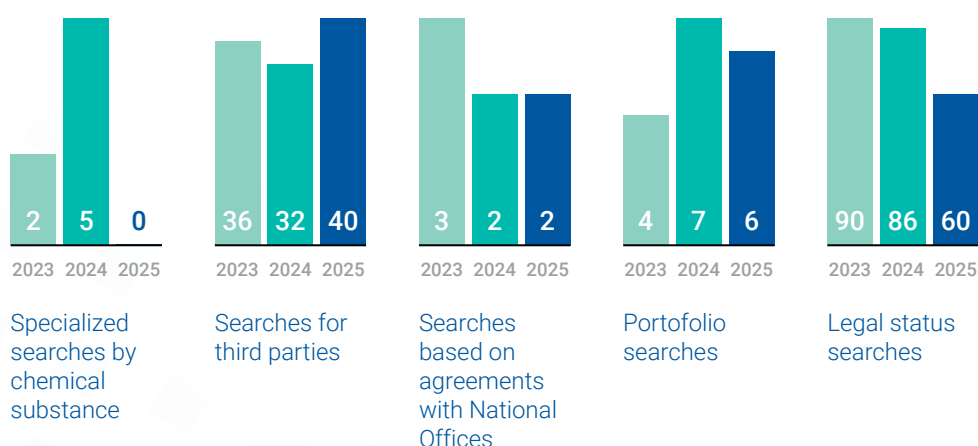
Services Provided to our Clients

Services in the field of Patents

Based on the Addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding on cooperation in the field of industrial property concluded between OSIM and the Intellectual Property Offices of Slovenia and Macedonia, two search reports with written opinion on novelty were carried out for the Intellectual Property Office of Slovenia.

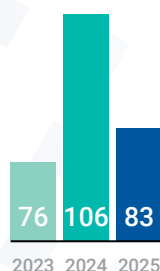
Also, 29 search reports with written opinion on novelty and theme search reports in specialized technical fields, such as mechanics and electrical engineering-electronics, were carried out, based on search orders, for Romanian and foreign applicants, using invention data bases and non-patent literature.

The range of services was completed by a number of 60 legal status communications referring to national patents, European patents and SPCs.



Idea Envelope Service

Established in 2008, with a view to storing and keeping safely, under non-public conditions, documents containing ideas of creations in various fields, which cannot be protected under the current industrial property laws or copyright and related rights law, the "Idea envelope" service scored a number of 83 requests in 2025.



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IT&C,

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And Internal

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By virtue of the G.D. No 573 of 7 September 1998 on the organization and functioning of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks, as republished, the activities meant to ensure the operation of the information technology and communications system are incumbent upon the Information Technology Compartment within the IT&C, Publishing House and Internal Managerial Control Division.

The IT Compartment activity was aimed to meet the following specific objectives, derived from the general objectives of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks – as updated in 2025:

- ✓ Optimization of the processing flow within the information system for patent applications IPAS by implementing data extraction and processing mechanisms needed for the monthly publication of our intellectual property bulletin, at the request of the experts of the Patent Directorate.
- ✓ Improving data extraction and structuring mechanisms for generating notifications and decisions issued by the Patent Directorate of OSIM within the information system IPAS.
- ✓ Integration of the new Letter Editor into BackOffice (LEM).

The new editor introduces a more intuitive aspect and a modern design, offering a significantly improved user experience. With advanced formatting tools, the examiners will be able to draft, edit and review the final letters in a more efficient and clear manner. Letters can now be created and updated by means of a user-friendly interface, allowing any user to make changes with no need of HTML knowledge – an important improvement as compared to the previous editor.

The tool allows the users to define displayed paragraphs as “default” and to insert specific rules to guide the examiners in selecting the correct content. This fact ensures greater accuracy, consistency and relevance of the final letters.

Because the letters are easier to write and changes are easier to make, updates can be made quickly and accurately across the entire system. Regulations or policy changes can be instantly implemented in all the relevant templates. As the interface is intuitive and the letters guide the users through the letter structure, the new examiners can become proficient much more quickly.

The editor makes the entire letter creation process more efficient, from drafting to reviewing and finalization, which reduces writing blocks and improves the general operational efficiency within the workflow.

- ✓ Reducing the time of access to information by increasing the correctness and availability of data within the OSIM IT system – the IT Compartment within the TIECIM Division has provided the technical conditions for meeting this objective. No major incidents have occurred in the reference year, as compared with 2024;
- ✓ Contribution to the development of the institutional capacity by development and optimal utilization of OSIM IT system;

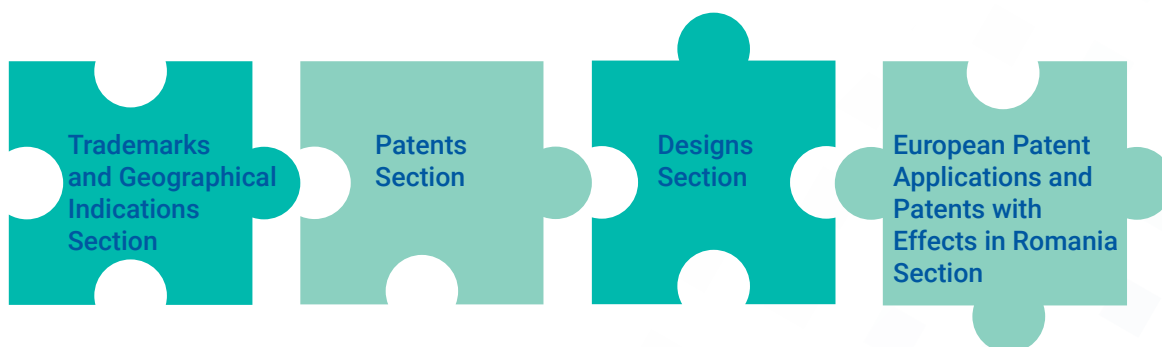
- ✓ Implementation of trademarks and designs data transfer using the new Blockchain technology, under the Cooperation Agreement with EUIPO;
- ✓ Ensuring the increase of awareness in Romania regarding the role of industrial property and improving the way of disseminating the information.

The IT Compartment has timely updated the OSIM website and implemented new versions for the online Registers while increasing the degree of compliance with ISO 9001:2015, ISO/IEC 27001:2022 and SCIM within the TIECIM Division.

Publishing House

The general policy of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) in the field of publishing the information in its own field of activity has always been oriented towards improving the system of information dissemination within the national and international social-economic environment. In order to facilitate the carrying out of this task, OSIM has got its own publishing house – OSIM Publishing House® – authorized by the Ministry of Culture since 1993. The main activity thereof is to edit, publish and print, in accordance with G.D. No 573/1998 on the organization and functioning of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks, as amended, the OSIM publications.

In the reference year, 12 issues/section for the four sections of BOPI were edited and published.



OSIM publications are carried out in both classic printed version (paper version) and in electronic format to be distributed as CD or online/FTP, and all the sections of BOPI are posted on the OSIM website, under the heading Publications.

Currently existent publications and promotional materials were updated and printed in the reference year. For better informing the public concerned, the OSIM Publishing House® section of the official OSIM webpage www.osim.ro hosts the information brochures.

The Publishing House also carried out the design, layout and printing of posters, roll-ups, diplomas and other materials needed within the events organized by OSIM.

Typographic Workshop

Based on the conventions concluded by OSIM with the EPO, WIPO and AGEPI, TIECIM prepares and transmits monthly the data corresponding to the specifications of patent applications, patents and utility models, in compliance with international standards in the field, with the data structures recommended /agreed with our external partners.



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Specialized publications were
periodically sent to the
National Library of Romania and the
Metropolitan Library, in order to be
distributed across the country.

Human Resources



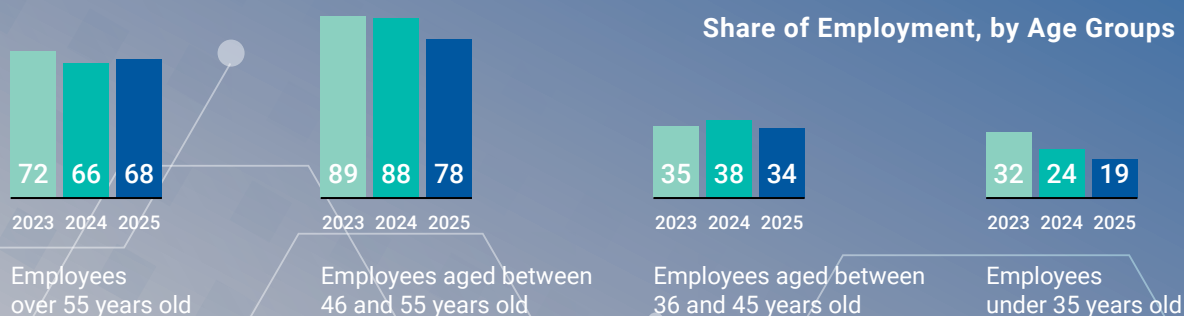
The HR Compartment is directly subordinated to the Director General of OSIM and comprises three experts. According to the legislation in force, the Human Resources Compartment has as its main objective the management of human resources.

In 2025, the Human Resources Compartment carried out the following activities:

- ✓ registration and transmission of personnel data in REGES, amounting to a number of 309;
- ✓ 1,860 documents introduced into the personnel files, including the payroll program;
- ✓ drawing up the positions and staff lists of OSIM, in a number of 56;
- ✓ drawing up, recording and issuing 501 certificates;
- ✓ drawing up and issuance of documents for establishing and recalculation of pensions for employees/former employees;
- ✓ conclusion of 273 additional acts to the Individual Employment Contracts;
- ✓ issuance of 35 orders and decisions on secondment/suspension/appointment/relocation of employees;
- ✓ management of requests for employees' annual rest leave, in a number of 2,925;
- ✓ management of requests for employees' sick leave, in a number of 116;
- ✓ checking of the time sheets of OSIM Directorates, in a number of 252;
- ✓ management of employees' job descriptions, in a number of 21;
- ✓ managing the employees' self-assessment & assessment sheets, in a number of 410;
- ✓ organizing 1 competition for vacancies;
- ✓ termination of 17 Individual Employment Contracts;
- ✓ sending statistics to public organizations, in a number of 20.

Also, the Human Resources Compartment provided advice in the process of filling in/ updating declarations of assets and interests, amounting to 50 declarations, ensuring the carrying out of this process, the publication of said declarations on the Intranet page of the organization, while sending them to the National Integrity Agency as well as in the process of managing and filling in pantouflage declarations while ensuring the yearly updating of the list of employees who fall under the incidence of these regulations.

The professional training of employees continued in 2025, with the staff of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks participating in 151 professional training courses. On 31.12.2025, the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks had a number of 81 examiners for protection titles of the total number of 199 posts occupied.



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Economic Activity - Budget

The Income and Expenditure Budget of OSIM for 2025 was approved by the main credit release authority, the Ministry of Economy, Digitalization, Entrepreneurship and Tourism. In 2025, the total income of OSIM amounted to 82,503.43 thousand lei, of which the major value is covered by the income made from activities relating to inventions and trademarks.

Incomes - thousand lei

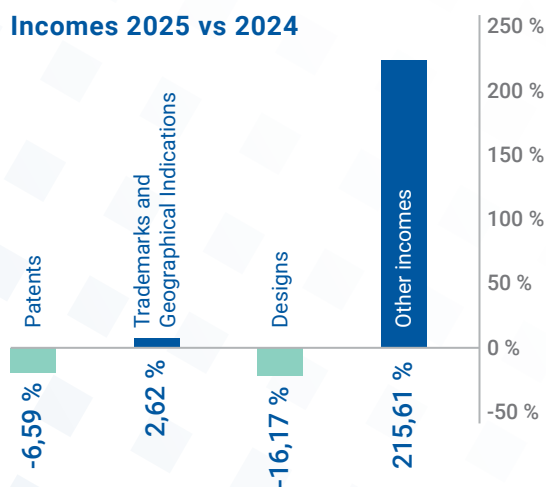
Indicator	2024	2025	%
Inventions	46,452.64	43,389.79	-6.59
Trademarks and geographical indications	29,995.56	30,782.19	2.62
Designs	822.85	689.82	-16.17
Other incomes*	2,421.24	7,641.63	215.61
Total incomes	79,692.29	82,503.43	3.53

The expenditures incurred by OSIM in 2025 recorded a value of 52,301.53 thousand lei, compared to 68,002 thousand lei, the amount approved by the Income and Expenditure Budget. This level of expenditures allowed the carrying out of all the activities deriving from OSIM attributions, in good conditions.

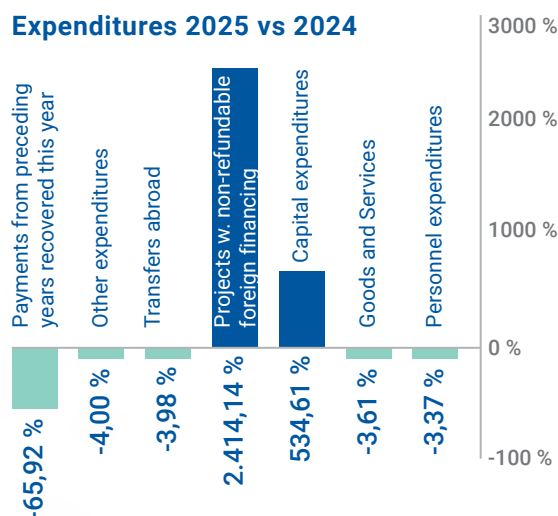
Expenditures - thousand lei

Indicator	2024	2025	%
Personnel expenditures	24,791.53	23,956.95	-3.37
Goods and services	6,422.05	6,190.07	-3.61
Capital expenditures	207.26	1,315.29	534.61
Projects with non-refundable foreign financing	99.00	2,489.00	2,414.14
Transfers abroad	19,116.62	18,355.51	-3.98
Other expenditures	189.35	181.77	-4.00
Payments made during the preceding years and recovered during the current year	-548.87	-187.06	-65.92
Total expenditures	50,276.94	52,301.53	4.03

Incomes 2025 vs 2024



Expenditures 2025 vs 2024



* The amount consists of:

- recovered amounts from: EUIPO projects, exchange rate differences and delegations financed by EPO, EUIPO, WIPO; recovered amounts from projects with non-refundable foreign financing;
- services and publications.

Statistics



A. Applications for protection titles

	2023	2024	2025
Patent applications	889	810	822
Utility model registration applications	58	72	63
Applications for Supplementary Protection Certificates	55	68	67
Applications for trademark registration	13,813	12,975	13,756
Applications for trademark renewal	4,294	4,384	4,503
Applications for design registration	256	280	248
Applications for design renewal	182	251	267
TOTAL	19,547	18,840	19,726

Applications, by Administrative Units

	2023			2024			2025		
Macroregion	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM
Development region									
County									
MACROREGION ONE	112	2,479	32	121	2,245	34	171	2,490	31
North - West	74	1,309	12	95	1,152	16	88	1,322	15
Bihor	11	229	2	6	256	3	11	326	5
Bistrița-Năsăud	5	96	3	4	113	2	9	103	2
Cluj	49	718	4	65	552	9	54	632	7
Maramureș	7	146	3	16	126	0	12	145	0
Satu Mare	0	82	0	1	70	1	1	70	0
Sălaj	2	38	0	3	35	1	1	46	1
Centre	38	1,170	20	26	1,093	18	29	1,168	16
Alba	2	167	1	1	104	0	3	183	3
Brașov	16	450	11	13	450	6	9	453	2
Covasna	2	49	0	0	39	4	0	52	0
Harghita	1	66	3	1	59	3	3	43	4
Mureș	11	192	2	4	195	0	9	200	0
Sibiu	6	246	3	7	246	5	5	237	7

Abbreviations:

CBI = Patent applications;

CIM = Applications for trademark registration;

CDM = Design applications.

	2023			2024			2025		
Macroregion	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM
Development region									
County									
MACROREGION TWO	157	2,090	36	129	2,057	52	163	2,178	27
North - East	123	1,149	12	106	1,125	28	132	1,151	12
Bacău	8	196	2	7	204	0	3	179	0
Botoșani	1	66	0	3	54	2	1	80	1
Iași	82	473	2	74	453	1	91	436	3
Neamț	10	115	6	2	136	15	8	156	2
Suceava	21	246	2	20	210	5	29	249	4
Vaslui	1	53	0	0	68	5	0	51	2
South - East	34	941	24	23	932	24	31	1,027	15
Brăila	1	63	2	2	67	0	2	55	2
Buzău	3	97	2	0	101	1	1	98	4
Constanța	13	418	16	12	455	20	15	518	4
Galați	12	184	1	8	170	2	9	208	2
Tulcea	3	52	0	1	46	0	3	56	0
Vrancea	2	127	3	0	93	1	1	92	3

	2023			2024			2025		
Macroregion	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM
Development region									
County									
MACROREGION THREE	466	6,253	104	402	5,685	85	459	6,165	122
South - Muntenia	34	896	10	24	787	5	32	929	19
Argeș	6	248	4	5	241	3	4	240	4
Călărași	0	38	0	0	34	0	2	61	0
Dâmbovița	14	108	5	7	104	0	17	113	2
Giurgiu	5	47	0	3	58	1	2	57	4
Ialomița	0	48	0	0	29	0	0	36	1
Prahova	9	358	1	9	289	1	7	379	6
Teleorman	0	49	0	0	32	0	0	43	2
Bucharest - Ilfov	432	5,357	94	378	4,898	80	427	5,236	103
Ilfov	109	1,101	10	102	1,030	17	107	1,144	21
Bucharest Municipality	323	4,256	84	276	3,868	63	320	4,092	82

	2023			2024			2025		
Macroregion	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM	CBI	CIM	CDM
Development region									
County									
MACROREGION FOUR	82	1,210	26	99	992	36	83	1,174	24
South - West Oltenia	33	482	22	52	393	28	34	458	22
Dolj	17	193	11	11	157	6	12	225	3
Gorj	3	51	5	0	43	8	4	49	11
Mehedinți	2	49	0	0	35	0	1	29	0
Olt	1	68	0	31	61	1	3	49	0
Vâlcea	10	121	6	10	97	13	14	106	8
West	49	728	4	47	599	8	49	716	2
Arad	6	157	0	2	143	4	1	160	2
Caraș-Severin	0	39	0	0	39	0	1	47	0
Hunedoara	9	83	2	4	67	0	5	91	0
Timiș	34	449	2	41	350	4	42	418	0

Patents (BI)

	2023	2024	2025
Filed patent applications - total	889	810	822
of which:			
- Romanian applicants	817	751	767
- foreign applicants - total	72	59	55
of which:			
- by national route	867	796	641
- by international route (PCT)	22	14	15
Granted patents (Decisions to grant)	349	312	331
Issued patents	314	335	305
Patent duplicates	1,296	1,412	1,316
Issued priority certificates	74	88	72

European Patents (BE)

	2023	2024	2025
European Patents validated in Romania	2,870	2,715	1,522
European Patent extension/recognition certificates	918	891	0

Supplementary Protection Certificate (SPC)

	2023	2024	2025
SPC registration applications	55	68	67
Issued SPC	21	16	36

Utility Models (MU)

	2023	2024	2025
Utility model registration applications - total, of which:	58	72	63
- Romanian applicants	46	49	39
- foreign applicants	12	23	24
Issued certificates - total	23	33	65

Patent Applications, by Categories of Romanian Applicants

Categories of Romanian applicants	2023	2024	2025
Natural persons	204	187	167
Companies	175	126	137
Research institutes	241	252	310
Education institutions	197	186	208
Romanian applicants	817	751	822

Trademarks, Trademarks Renewals and Geographical Indications

	2023	2024	2025
Trademark registration applications - total, of which	13,859	13,036	13,756
• by national route:	12,315	11,670	12,429
- Romanian applicants	12,032	10,979	12,007
- foreign applicants	237	630	354
• EUTM conversions	18	36	35
• Trademark applications filed with RO as country of origin	46	61	68
• by international route (Madrid)	1,480	1,366	1,327
Trademark renewal applications	4,294	4,384	4,503
Issued certificates - total	10,430	9,998	10,165

Designs (DM) and Design Renewals

	2023	2024	2025
Design registration application - total, of which:	256	280	248
- Romanian applicants	198	207	204
- foreign applicants - total, of which:	58	73	44
- by national route	3	6	0
- by international route (the Hague)	55	67	44
Design renewal	178	251	267
Issued certificates	342	420	379

Designs Contained in the Design Registration Applications

	2023	2024	2025
Designs contained in the design reg. applications - total, of which:	654	1,068	666
• Romanian applicants	433	722	545
• foreign applicants - total, of which:	221	346	121
- by national route	4	7	0
- by international route (Haga)	217	339	121

B. Examination of applications

	2023	2024	2025
Examined patent applications - total, of which:	841	807	816
- Examination of patent applications – preliminary examination	128	169	157
- Examination of patent applications – substantive examination	713	638	659
Examination of utility model applications	64	73	59
Examination of applications for SPC	33	30	43
Examination of trademark registration applications	11,700	15,081	15,848
Examination of trademark renewal applications	3,442	3,372	4,645
Examination of trademark oppositions	546	340	592
Examination of design registration applications	425	466	429
Examination of design renewal applications	181	251	252
Examination of design oppositions	1	3	16
Total examined applications - OSIM	17,233	20,423	22,700

Examination of Patent Applications (CBI)

	2023	2024	2025
Examination completed - total, of which:	713	638	659
- Romanian (RO)	685	606	643
- foreign, of which:	28	32	16
- by national route	11	13	7
- by PCT route	17	19	9

	2023	2024	2025
Examined – by decisions - total, of which:	713	638	659
- granted patents	349	312	331
- patent applications refused upon examination	359	325	326
- patent applications withdrawn upon examination	5	1	2

Abbreviations:

TPS = Topographies of Semiconductor Products.

SPC = Supplementary Protection Certificate.

Substantive Examination of Supplementary Protection Certificate (SPC) Applications

	2023	2024	2025
Examination completed - total, of which:	33	30	43
- granted	17	26	36
- refused	10	2	5
- withdrawn	6	2	2

Examination of Utility Model Applications (CMU)

	2023	2024	2025
Examined - total, of which:	64	73	59
- registered	45	36	51
- rejected	14	37	8
- withdrawn	5	0	0

Examinations of Trademark Registration Applications

	2023	2024	2025
Examined - total, of which:	11,700	15,081	15,486
Examination of applications by national route - total, of which:	9,529	12,367	12,688
- registrations (fully admitted and partially admitted)	7,969	9,639	10,072
- refusals	1,073	2,412	2,213
- cancellations/withdrawal/limitations	487	316	403
Examination of applications by intl. route - total, of which:	2,171	2,714	2,798
- registrations (fully admitted and partially admitted)	2,097	2,665	2,725
- refusals	74	49	73

Examination of Trademark Renewal Applications

	2023	2024	2025
Examination of applications for renewal of national trademarks	3,442	3,372	4,645

Examination of Design Registration Applications

	2023	2024	2025
Examined applications - total, of which:	425	466	430
Preliminary examination - total	192	231	198
Substantive examination - total, of which:	233	235	232
- by national route - total, of which:	185	174	181
- admitted to protection	183	167	176
- protection refused upon substantive examination	2	5	5
- renunciation	0	2	0
- by international route - total, of which:	48	61	51
- admitted to protection	48	61	51
- protection refused	0	0	0
- renunciation	0	0	0

C. Stock of pending applications

	2023	2024	2025
Stock of patent applications, of which:	3,773	3,820	3,657
- in the Preliminary Examination	1,274	1,338	1,116
- in the Substantive Examination	2,499	2,482	2,541
Stock of applications for SPC	261	300	430
Stock of utility model applications	59	61	64
Stock of design registration applications	79	103	102
Stock of design oppositions	0	3	1
Stock of trademark registration applications*	2,014	1,432	992
Stock of trademark oppositions	663	965	1,126
Total stock of pending applications on 31 December - OSIM	6,849	6,684	6,372

D. Issuance of protection documents

	2023	2024	2025
Patents	314	335	305
Patent duplicates	1,296	1,412	1,316
Priority certificates	74	88	72
Utility model certificates	20	61	65
Supplementary Protection Certificates	21	16	36
Trademark registration and renewal certificates	10,430	9,998	10,165
Design registration and renewal certificates	342	420	379
TOTAL	15,367	15,045	15,053

Note:

* = Does not include the stock of renewals

Abbreviation:

SPC = Supplementary Protection Certificate.

E. Appeals

Appeals Lodged with the Inventions Board of Appeal within the Appeal Division

	2023	2024	2025
Appeals remained unsolved from the preceding years	0	0	3
Appeals lodged during the current year	9	16	10
Solved - total, of which:	8	17	9
- solved from the preceding years	3	4	2
- solved from the current year	5	13	7
Solutions - total	8	19	9
- admitted	2	10	7
- rejected	6	9	2
Appeals to be solved next year	2	1	3

Appeals Lodged with the Inventions Board of Appeal within the Legal Division

	2023	2024	2025
Appeals remained unsolved from the preceding years	0	1	0
Appeals lodged during the current year	1	0	2
Appeals to be solved next year	1	0	0
Solved - total	0	0	2
- solved from the preceding years	0	0	0
- solved from the current year	0	0	2
Solutions - total	0	0	2
- admitted	0	0	2
- rejected	0	0	0

Appeals Lodged with the Trademarks Board of Appeal

	2023	2024	2025
Appeals remained unsolved from the preceding years	201	134	78
Appeals lodged during the current year	242	175	164
Solved - total, of which:	300	247	163
- solved from the preceding years	156	110	30
- solved from the current year	144	137	130
Solutions - total	300	247	163
- admitted	137	136	93
- rejected	163	111	70
- other solutions	0	0	0
Appeals to be solved next year	134	78	80

Appeals Lodged with the Designs Board of Appeal

	2023	2024	2025
Appeals remained unsolved from the preceding years	0	0	0
Appeals lodged during the current year	1	0	1
Solved - total, of which:	1	0	1
- solved from the preceding years	0	0	0
- solved from the current year	1	0	1
Solutions - total	1	0	0
- admitted	0	0	0
- rejected	1	0	1
Appeals to be solved next year	0	0	0

Invalidation – Exhaustion of IP Rights

	2023	2024	2025
Filed requests for invalidation	26	37	34
Filed requests for exhaustion of rights	12	10	13
Total requests - invalidation/exhaustion of rights	38	47	47

F. Services

	2023	2024	2025
Idea Envelope	76	106	83
Specialized searches, by chemical substances	2	5	0
Searches for third parties - Inventions	36	32	29
Searches under Agreement with National Offices	3	2	2
Portfolio searches	4	7	6
Legal status searches	90	86	60
Total of services in the field of Inventions	135	132	97
Trademark searches	1,652	2,009	2,667
Changes in the legal status, transfers of rights - Trademarks		4,703	5,452
Design searches	21	16	20
Changes in the legal status, transfers of rights - Designs		185	212
Total of services in the IP field	1,808	7,045	8,448

G. OSIM Archive activity

	2023	2024	2025
New entries	14,476	21,200	12,600
Lendings	10,060	7,458	7,987

Abbreviations

AGEPI	State Agency of Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova
BI	Patent
BOPI	Official Industrial Property Bulletin
CBI	Patent Application
CCINA	Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Navigation and Agriculture
CCPPI	IP Communication and Promotion Compartment
CDM	Design Application for Registration
CEBS	Central European and Baltic States Group
CEU	Council of the European Union
CIM	Trademark Application for Registration
CMU	Utility Model Application
CTM	Community Trademark
DLT	Design Law Treaty
DM	Designs
EP	European Patent
EPC	European Patent Convention
EPO	European Patent Office
EU	European Union
EUIPO	European Union Intellectual Property Office
GD	Government Decision
IP	Industrial Property
IPC	International Patent Classification
IPR	Industrial Property Rights
ISO	International Organization for Standardization
ISO/IEC	International Organization for Standardization (ISO) – International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC)
MU	Utility Model
OSGG	Order of the Secretary General of Government
OSIM	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks
PCT	Patent Cooperation Treaty
REVISAL	General Record of Employees
RO	Romania
SPC	Supplementary Protection Certificate
SCIM	Internal Managerial Control System
SME	Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
TIECIM	Information Technology, Publishing House and Internal Managerial Control
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization

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