03/13/2014 Events

On March 11, in the conference hall of the State Agency on Intellectual Property (AGEPI) was held the meeting of the National Commission on Intellectual Property (NCIP), chaired by the Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova, Minister of Economy Valeriu Lazar.

In accordance with the agenda were discussed the following issues:

- With regard to the presentation of the consolidated monitoring report on the results of fulfillment of actions included in the Action Plan of the National Intellectual Property Strategy (Speaker: State Agency on Intellectual Property);
- With regard to the enforcement of intellectual property rights in 2013 (Speakers: Ministry of Internal Affairs, Customs Service, Prosecutor General's Office);
- With regard to the implementation of recommendation no. 3 of NCIP Decision of 01.04.2013 (Speakers: Ministry of Information Technology and Communications, AGEPI);
- With regard to the implementation of recommendations no. 4-11 of NCIP Decision of 01.04.2013 (Speakers: Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Ministry of Construction and Regional Development, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Health, AGEPI);
- With regard to the implementation of recommendation no. 3 of NCIP Decision of 09.06.2013 (Speaker: AGEPI).

In the NCIP meeting, Lilia Bolocan, Director General of AGEPI, presented the results on implementation of the Action Plan of the National Intellectual Property Strategy until 2020. Thus, according to Consolidated Monitoring Report, the majority of actions included in the plan for the last year were fully implemented, being also conducted some actions included in the plan for this year.

In the same context, in the development of the Action Plan for the years 2015-2017 will be:

- taken account of the related policy documents, previously developed (Innovation Strategy of the Republic of Moldova for 2013-2020 "Innovations for Competitiveness", Strategy on Domestic Trade Development in the Republic of Moldova for 2014-2020, Roadmap for improving the competitiveness of the Republic of Moldova, National Information Society Development Strategy "Digital Moldova 2020", etc.).
- included several actions on promoting professional association in the field of intellectual property (copyright management societies, associations of patent attorneys, associations of evaluators of intellectual property objects, associations of producers and processors of products with geographical indications and appellations of origin);
- included several actions to encourage the promotion and absorption by the business environment of the open innovations and patent information in the public domain in order to create a platform for innovation and technology transfer.

At the same time, with a view to effective implementation of the RM-EU Association Agreement, it will be proposed concrete actions for effective implementation and within the terms agreed with the EU of the Agreement.

Following the examination of all issues on the agenda, the National Intellectual Property Commission decided as follows:

1. It shall be approved the Consolidated Monitoring Report on the results of fulfillment of actions included in the Action Plan of the National Intellectual Property Strategy, approved by Government Decision no.880 of 22.11.2012 and AGEPI is recommended to consider the

proposals received from NCIP members;

2. Note shall be taken of the information on enforcement of intellectual property rights in 2013 presented by the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Customs Service, Prosecutor General's Office and to recommend the intensification of inter-institutional cooperation, strengthening the communication with right holders and continuing training in the field of enforcement of intellectual property rights;

3. It is recommended that Ministry of Economy shall ask the E-Government Center and Ministry of Information Technology and Communications to identify mechanisms for negotiation with the holders of computer programs on the legal use of computer programs by public authorities, including in order to reduce the information software piracy rate in the Republic of Moldova;

4. It is recommended that AGEPI shall aware and inform the society about the negative effects of counterfeiting and piracy, and to disseminate the necessary information on the risks caused by these phenomena;

5. It is recommended that the Ministry of Agriculture and Food Industry, Ministry of Construction and Regional Development, Ministry of Culture, Ministry of Environment, Ministry of Health, Tourism Agency shall identify and present to the AGEPI, within 30 days, the priority list of products (product/producers/settlement), which could be designated with geographical indications, appellations of origin or represent traditional specialties guaranteed;

6. It is recommended that AGEPI shall cumulate all the proposals submitted by the public authorities listed in item 5 and present them for NCIP approval.

7. Note shall be taken of the information presented on proposals for modernization of the copyright collective management system and it is recommended that AGEPI shall further promote the project developed.

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