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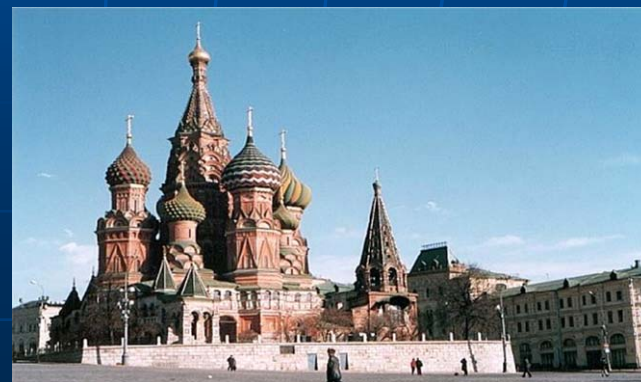


Intellectual Property Right Protection in Russia

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APEC Anti-Counterfeiting and Piracy Initiative

- Strengthen IPR Capacity Building
- Cooperation on Patent Acquisition Procedures
- Effective Public Awareness Campaigns on Intellectual Property Rights
- Secure Supply Chains Against Counterfeit and Pirated Goods



Russian IPR legislation improvement

Strengthen IPR Capacity Building

- On January 1st, 2008 the **Part IV of the Civil Code** of the Russian Federation, section VII (the rights to the results of intellectual activity and means of individualization), has taken effect. The law is aimed at codification of legislation in the IP sphere and provides cancellation of the existing 6 special laws. Part IV of the Civil Code systematizes the existing legislation in the IP sphere.
- On August 2008 President D.Medvedev signed the amendments to the law "**On Licensing of Some Types of Activities**", providing the licensing for the production of software and databases.
- The draft law "**On Amendments to The Part IV of Civil Code of the Russian Federation**", which brings The Part IV of Civil Code of Russian Federation in full conformity with the TRIPS Agreement, has passed the second reading in January 2009.
- The draft law "**On Amendments to the Federal Law "On Medicines"**" prohibits illegal acquisition, usage and dissemination of confidential information (in the course of 6 years) received during clinical and preclinical tests and state registration of pharmaceuticals, corresponding to the Article 39.3 of WTO TRIPS Agreement (protection of confidential information from unfair commercial use). Currently the draft law is been preparing for the second reading in the State Duma.



Inventions: the Russian Patents

Indices	2007	2008	2008 vs. 2007, (%)
Filed with Rospatent, Total	39439	41849	106
Including:			
<i>by Russian Applicants</i>	27505	27712	101
<i>by Foreign Applicants</i>	11934	14137	118
Russian Patents Issued Total,	23028	28808	125
Including:			
<i>to Russian Applicants</i>	18431	22260	121
<i>to Foreign Applicants</i>	4597	6548	142
Valid Russian Federation Patents	129910	147067	113

On December 30, 2008, the law № 316 "*On patent agents*" was adopted.



Public awareness campaigns

- The Russian Government attaches great importance to the development of negative attitude to piracy in Russian society, especially youth audience.
- A considerable role in this process is assigned to the active use of the mass media potential. Increased attention is paid to public education campaigns, crime prevention measures, as well as to increasing the legal consciousness of Russian citizens.
- The Russian mass media continues to cover law enforcement agencies activities regarding IP enforcement, including operations for the destruction of pirate products, as well as raids and special operations conducted by the officers of the Ministry of Interior at plants producing pirated optical media. Ministry of Interior officials and other concerned federal bodies participate in press conferences concerning the results achieved in this sphere.
- Also Mass media covers in detail the activities of the consulting non-governmental bodies and right holders association concerned with the development of different legal initiatives aimed at improving Russian IP legislation.
- The order of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation № 31 "On Measures of Implementation in 2009 Steps of State Support to Small Enterprises" of January 30, 2009, refer regional educational programs for SME (including IPR issues) to priority.



International Cooperation efforts of Russia in the sphere of IPR protection

- On February 2009 Russia joined **WIPO Copyright Treaty and WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty.**
- **The Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks** is applied to introduce before State Duma of the Russian Federation for ratification.
- **Consultations and negotiations**



Supporting SME and Micro-Enterprises in the IPR sphere

- According to the the Federal law №116-FZ dated 22.08.2005 "On the Special Economic Zones" SME's and Micro-Enterprises are attracted to Innovation and IT zones.
- Ministry of Economic Development will provide 50 % subsidies to cut off SME's and Micro-Enterprises' expenses for registration and protection of international patents and IP objects abroad, internal-external branding supporting and international certification.
- The order of the Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation № 31 "On Measures of Implementation in 2009 Steps of State Support to Small Enterprises" of January 30, 2009, provides the top priority support to the innovative companies.
- On February 27, 2009, the Government of the Russian Federation has adopted decree № 178 "On Distribution and Issuance of Federal Grants to Region Budget for State Support to SME", which gives preference to regions where the support of the innovative companies is priority.
- The decree of the Government of the Russian Federation № 1102 "On Implementation the Additional Measures of State Support to Small Enterprises " of December 31, 2008, provides additional financing the SE support activity.



**We are open to adopt the best
practices in IPR protection
sphere, including APEC
experience**



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Information on IPR issues in the Russian Federation:

**www.rupto.ru; www.economy.gov.ru;
www.mkmk.ru; www.customs.ru;
www.rosohrancult.ru; www.government.gov.ru**