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The National Report on the Enforcement **of** Intellectual Property Rights in the Republic of Moldova, 7th edition, elaborated by the Observatory on Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights established in AGEPI, was published on 5 April this year.

The report contains the most important data on the actions taken by the public authorities of the Republic of Moldova during the year 2018, with a view to increasing the degree of public awareness of the risks posed by the phenomena of counterfeiting and piracy, as well as a series of relevant statistical data on the activity of the law-enforcement bodies in the fight against infringements of intellectual property rights, as well as the publication of legislative and institutional developments in the area concerned.

The protection and enforcement of intellectual property rights is an essential parameter of progress in the field of research, innovation and employment. This National Report is elaborated to ensure the continuity of collection and systematization of IPR enforcement data, and also to encourage the community to become our partners in the fight against piracy and counterfeiting.

The report is elaborated annually by the AGEPI, with the information support of the public authorities of the Republic of Moldova responsible for the enforcement of intellectual property rights, namely: Customs Service, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Agency for Consumer Protection and Market Surveillance, Public Prosecutor's Office and Competition Council. The current edition of the Report contains a series of activities carried out with the support of the Technical Assistance Project "Support to Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights in the Republic of Moldova", funded by the European Union.

The publication of the report is part of the efforts of public authorities to develop a balanced system of enforcement of intellectual property rights, in line with the National Intellectual Property Strategy until 2020.

The National Report on the Enforcement of Intellectual Property Rights can be consulted at the following address: http://observatorpi.md/assets/files/raport/raport_national_2018.pdf [1].



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