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On August 21, 2007 in the Palace of the Republic in Chisinau took place the **II-d Congress of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) of the Republic of Moldova.** The 1444 members of the CCI were represented by 163 delegates. Mr. Vladimir Voronin, the President of the country, taking part in the work of the Congress assessed the activity of the institution, being the permanent support for the businessmen of the Republic of Moldova and a promoter of their interests abroad.

In the Congress work took part the representatives of the CCI of Romania, Ukraine, Russia, Byelorussia, Italy, Germany, USA, Slovakia, other partners, representatives of the international profile institutions, embassies accredited in our country.

In the agenda of the work of the Congress were included the following matters: the report on the CCI activity in the period after institution thereof, approving the amendments to the CCI regulation, election of the Counsel and president, establishing the priority activity directions of the CCI on the period of 2007-2012.

The President of the CCI Mr. Gheorghe Cucu set out in details the directions of the activity of the Chamber, of the subdivisions and branch offices in the territory, the activity centered on the multilateral sustaining the private sector.

Mr. Gheorghe Cucu was unanimously reelected as President of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova, and as Vice Presidents – Mrs. Tudor Olaru si Vladimir Didilica.

Mr. Dorian Chirosca, Director General AGEPI, addressed a speech of welcome to the participants of the II-d Congress CCI and accentuated the role of this nongovernmental organization in the development and promotion of the intellectual product, realization of the intellectual property rights on the national and international level. He said:

“With a great pleasure I received the invitation to participate in the work of the Congress of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova being a nongovernmental organization representing the interests of the enterprises. It is also a strategic partner of the State Agency on Intellectual Property of the Republic of Moldova. The matter concerns, at the first, about our traditional cooperation in the field of promotion and legal protection of the intellectual property objects in the territory of the country and abroad.

As is well known, the main idea of the World Congress of the Chambers of Commerce and Industry held in Turkey was the following: “Formation of the efficient relations in order to facilitate the commerce between the nations”, one of 23 working seminars of the Congress being dedicated to the intellectual property. Just in this context I want accentuate the fact that in the process of the accelerated integration of the economies and commerce of the different states, of the intense development of the society based on the knowledge, to which we all are the eye-witnesses, the intellectual property is of indefinite importance, more than anytime in the human history.

Promoting the commerce and the interests of the economic agents of the Republic of Moldova in their relation with the public administrative authorities of the country, with business groups and specialized foreign organizations, the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova is involved, in the most direct mode, in the dissemination of the information on the role and the place of the intellectual property in the development of the economy and of the civilized commerce, on the advantages offered by the exclusive rights of the intellectual property owners, in promotion on the internal and external market of the products and services related to the intellectual property objects.

This is a motive that even from 2003 our institutions conclude contracts of cooperation in the field of promotion and legal protection of the industrial property objects, broadening the performed services, professional training and education, transfer of the data, exchange of information and editions,

standards in force or in the stage of elaboration, formation and realization of the common policy in this field.

Side by side with AGEPI, in order to realize the Plan of Actions on the Strategy of sustaining the development of the small and middle enterprises for 2006-2008 and with the aim to accord an informational assistance on the level of demand of the times to the respective economical unities, AGEPI proposes a set of informational documents related to the intellectual property being presented in the collection of our library. The above mentioned documents is successful used at the preparations and carrying out the specialized courses and subject matter seminars for the managers, scientific conferences and symposiums, round tables etc. dedicated to the role of the intellectual property in the activity of innovational small and middle enterprises.

The beneficiaries have possibility to carry out the bibliographic documentation on the subject "The role of the intellectual property in the development of the small business" in the Data base AGEPI, WIPO and other international organizations.

It also should be mentioned the regular publications of some studies in the intellectual property field in the periodicals, created by the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova. It is a question on the analytic newspaper "InfoProBusiness" and a weekly "Dezvoltarea".

The Chamber of Commerce and Industry is a co-organizer of the most important events carried out in the frame of the International Specialized Exhibitions "Infoinvent", held under the auspice of AGEPI. But the most important common action realizing already many years is the Competitions "The Commercial trademark of the year". During the four editions the competition was actively sustained by the entrepreneurs. At the competition were represented the projects of most famous trademarks of the republic. The winners of the competition promote with pleasure the commercial autochthonous trademarks with distinction of "Commercial trademark of the year".

We may with certainty affirm we have else many things to realize in cooperation with your organization and other similar ones in order to apply the provisions of the Strategy of development and utilization of the intellectual property objects up to 2010.

At first, it is a question on the improvement of application the legislation in the field that may be realized by training the economic agents in the matters of definitive decisions of the court instances referred to the intellectual property legal proceedings, by concluding contracts with custom-house in order to find out the goods that may be infringed or pirated, by realization of some informative modules and data in the field of the struggle against the traffic of the piracy goods etc.

The strategy also provides for measures of protection of the consumers against acquisition of products or rendering services that should be able to affect the life, health, security or economical interests. This may be realized by the common activity and control on the national level with the aim of detect the pirated and counterfeit products and information of all the enterprises involved in the proceedings of the supervision of the market, removing from the market of the pirated and counterfeit products, information of the consumers on those facts.

The Strategy provides for organization with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry with other interested institutions of courses for the economical agents on the intellectual property matters, introducing in the lycées and high education institutions in the frame of disciplines lections on the entrepreneurial culture and effective utilization of the intellectual property system.

An other important moment is promotion and application in the regions of the republic of the innovational policy and services in the respective field by means of the offices of the CCI, seminars and trainings in the field of intellectual property protection.

We are sure that our relations of cooperation will also develop more and more in the future and will crown with the more significant results.

In the name of the State Agency on Intellectual Property I wish to the II-d Congress of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova a fruitful activity, boisterous discussions and

programmable decisions".

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