

Correction of the information concerning certain aspects of Slovak National Patent Law listed in Annex II of the paper SCP/12/3 Rev. 2

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(1) Prior Art	<p>1. Everything made available to the public before the filing date (priority date).</p> <p>2. Contents of certain Slovak, European and international patent applications with an earlier filing date (priority date) published on or after that date.</p>	<p>1. Everything made available to the public by any means of disclosure before the filing date (priority date).</p> <p>2. Contents of certain Slovak, European and international patent applications and Slovak utility model applications with an earlier filing date (priority date) published on or after that date.</p>
(2) Novelty	<p>The invention does not form part of the state of the art. The state of the art consists of everything made available to the public before the filing date (priority date), and the contents of certain Slovak, European and international patent applications with an earlier filing date (priority date) published on or after that date.</p>	<p>The invention does not form part of the state of the art. The state of the art consists of everything made available to the public by any means of disclosure before the filing date (priority date), and the contents of certain Slovak, European and international patent applications and Slovak utility model applications with an earlier filing date (priority date) published on or after that date.</p>
(3) Inventive Step (Obviousness)	<p>The invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art having regard to the state of art. The state of the art consists of everything made available to the public before the filing date (priority date).</p>	<p>The invention is not obvious to a person skilled in the art having regard to the state of art. The state of the art consists of everything made available to the public by any means of disclosure before the filing date (priority date).</p>
(4) Grace Period	<p>1. Disclosure not to be taken into account in determining novelty if it occurred within six month before the filing date due to:</p> <p>(a) an evident abuse in relation to the applicant or his legal predecessor;</p> <p>(b) display of the invention by the applicant or his legal predecessor at an official or officially-recognized international exhibition.</p> <p>2. The applicant shall declare, when filing the application, that the invention has been so exhibited, and shall file a</p>	<p>1. Disclosure not to be taken into account in determining novelty if it occurred within six month before the filing date due to:</p> <p>(a) an evident abuse in relation to the applicant or his legal predecessor;</p> <p>(b) display of the invention by the applicant or his legal predecessor at an official or officially-recognized international exhibition.</p> <p>2. The applicant shall declare, when filing the application, that the invention has been so exhibited, and shall file a</p>

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(5) Sufficiency of Disclosure	<p>1. An application shall disclose the invention in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for it to be carried out by a person skilled in the art.</p> <p>2. The description shall contain the following:</p> <p>(a) the technical field which the invention relates and the existing state of the art;</p> <p>(b) the nature of the invention, its advantages or, possibly, disadvantages as against the existing state of the art and its methods of industrial application;</p> <p>(c) examples of performing the invention.</p>	<p>1. An application shall disclose the invention in a manner sufficiently clear and complete for it to be carried out by a person skilled in the art.</p> <p>2. The description shall contain the following:</p> <p>(a) the technical field which the invention relates and the existing state of the art;</p> <p>(b) the nature of the invention, its advantages or, possibly, disadvantages as against the existing state of the art and its methods of industrial application;</p> <p>(c) examples of performing the invention.</p>
(6) Exclusions from Patentable Subject Matter	<p>1. Discoveries, scientific theories and mathematical methods.</p> <p>2. Aesthetic creations.</p> <p>3. Schemes, rules and methods for performing mental acts.</p> <p>4. Computer programs.</p> <p>5. Presentation of information.</p> <p>6. Inventions contrary to public interest, including principles of humanity and morality.</p> <p>7. Methods for prevention, diagnosis and treatment of human and animal disease.</p> <p>8. Plant and animal varieties and biological processes for the production and improvement, other than biotechnological processes and products and industrial microorganisms.</p>	<p>1. Discoveries, scientific theories and mathematical methods.</p> <p>2. Aesthetic creations.</p> <p>3. Schemes, rules and methods for performing mental acts, playing games or doing business.</p> <p>4. Computer programs.</p> <p>5. Presentation of information.</p> <p>6. Inventions contrary to public order and good manners.</p> <p>7. Therapeutic, surgical and diagnostic methods for treating humans and animals.</p> <p>8. Plant and animal varieties.</p> <p>9. Essentially biological processes for creation plants or animals.</p> <p>10. The human body at any stage of its formation and development or the simple discovery of its elements, including gene sequences, other than elements isolated from the human body or produced by a technical process.</p> <p>11. Processes for cloning humans; modifying the germ line genetic identity of humans; uses of human embryos</p>

		<p>for industrial or commercial purposes; and processes for modifying the genetic identity of animals which are likely to cause them suffering without any substantial medical benefit, and animals resulting from such processes.</p>
<p>(7) Exceptions and Limitations of the Rights</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continued prior use by a person who before the filing date (priority date) had already worked the invention independently, or made preparations for that purpose. 2. Certain uses concerning foreign vessels, aircraft or land vehicles which temporarily or accidentally enter national territory. 3. Preparation of prescribed medicines in pharmacies or by medical professionals. 4. Compulsory licenses. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continued prior use by a person who before the filing date (priority date) had already used the invention independently from an inventor or a patent owner, or made preparations for that purpose. 2. Certain uses concerning foreign vessels, aircraft or land vehicles which temporarily or accidentally enter national territory. 3. Preparation of prescribed medicines in pharmacies or by medical professionals. 4. Private acts for non-commercial purposes. 5. Acts done for experimental purposes. 6. Studies and trials necessary for obtaining pharmaceutical marketing authorization. 7. Use by farmers of harvested plant propagating material for multiplication or propagation on own holding. 8. Use by farmers of breeding stock or other animal reproductive material for own agricultural activity, but not sale for commercial reproduction. 9. Acts concerning products put on the market in the member states of the European Union or in the state which is a contracting party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area by, or with consent of, the patent owner. 10. Compulsory licenses.