

LITHUANIA (LT)**I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE****1. National Legislation****a. Industrial Property**

Capital: Vilnius
Population: 3,488,000

Patents:

- Patent Law No. I-372, January 1994, as amended by Laws Nos. I-638 of November 1994, VIII-565 of December 1997, VIII-590 of December 1997, VIII-1738 of June 2000, IX-118 of December 2000, and IX-568 of October 2001.

Trade Marks:

- Law on Trademarks No. VIII-1981, October 2000, as amended by Laws Nos. IX-1150 of October 2002 and IX-2033 of February 2004.

Industrial Designs:

- Industrial Designs Law No. IX-1181, November 2002, as last amended by Law IX-2205 of April 2004.

b. Copyright and Related RightsCopyright:

- Law on Copyright and Related Rights No. VIII-1185, May 1999, as amended by Laws Nos. VIII-1886 of July 2000, and IX-1355 of March 2003

Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or ActivitiesUnfair Competition:

- Law on Competition No. VIII-1099, March 1999, as amended by VIII-1933 of September 2000, IX-1715 of July 2003, and IX-2126 of April 2004.

Layout Designs (Topographics) of Integrated Circuits:

- Law on the Legal Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products No. VIII-791, June 1998.

Establishment of Commercial Code:

- Civil Code, Law No. VIII-1864, July 2000.

Plant Variety Protection:

- Plant Variety Protection Law No. IX-618, November 2001.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Seimas Office
 Gediminas avenue 53
 LT-01109 Vilnius

Tel.: (370.5.2) 39.60.60
 (370.5.2) 39.60.68
 Fax: (370.5.2) 39.64.60

Title of Head: Head of Seimas Office

E-mail: webadm@lrs.lt

Internet Website: <http://www.lrs.lt>

Legal Information Center

Gediminas avenue 30/1

LT-00104 Vilnius

Title of Head: Director

Tel.: (370.5.2) 62.22.22

(370.5.2) 62.43.81

Fax: (370.5.2) 62.15.23

E-mail: tic@tic.lt

Internet website:

<http://www.litlex.lt>

<http://www.tic.lt>

<http://www.infolex.lt>

Internet website: <http://www.vpb.lt>

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since April 1992.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since May 1994.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since December 1994.
- PCT (Patents), since July 1994.
- Madrid Protocol (International Registration of Marks), since November 1997.
- Nice Agreement (International Classification of Goods and Services), since February 1997.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations), since July 1999.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since January 2000.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since May 1998.
- TLT (Trademarks), since April 1998.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since March 2002.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since May 2002.

b. WTO: Member and Signatory to the TRIPS Agreement, since May 2001.

c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: EPO, UPOV

- Member of EPO since December 2004.
- Member of UPOV since December 2003.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Justice

Gediminas Avenue 30/1

LT-01104 Vilnius

Title of Head: Minister

Tel.: (370.5.2) 66.29.80

Fax: (370.5.2) 62.59.40

Internet website: <http://www.min.tm.lt>

Industrial Property Office:

State Patent Bureau
 Kalvariju Street 3
 LT-09310 Vilnius
Title of Head: Director

Tel.: (370.5.2) 78.02.50
 Fax: (370.5.2) 75.07.23
 E-mail: spb@vpb.lt
 Internet website: <http://www.vpb.lt>

2. Copyright and Related RightsSupervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Culture
 J. Basanavičiaus Street 5
 LT-01118 Vilnius
Title of Head: Minister for Culture

Tel.: (370.5.2) 61.94.86
 (Secretary of the Ministry)
 (370.5.2) 62.07.16
 (Department of Foreign Relations)

Fax: (370.5.2) 61.02.52
 E-mail: culture@muza.lt
 Internet website: <http://www.muza.lt>

Copyright Office:

Copyright Division
 Ministry of Culture
 As above, under Supervisory Ministry
Title of Head: Head of Copyright Division

Tel.: (370.5.2) 62.00.11
 Fax: (370.5.2) 62.31.20
 E-mail: nijolejm@muza.lt

Collective Management Societies:

Agency of Lithuanian Copyright
 Protection Association (LATGA-A)
 Basanavičiaus Street 4b
 LT-01118 Vilnius
Title of Head: General Director

Tel.: (370.5.2) 65.16.00
 Fax: (370.5.2) 65.13.77
 E-mail: latga@latga.lt
 Internet website: <http://www.latga.lt>

Agency of Related Rights Association
 (AGATA)
 S. Zukauskio Street 39
 LT-09130 Vilnius
Title of Head: Director

Telefax: (370.5.2) 60.84.13
 E-mail: agata@agata.lt

Copyright Enforcement Agency
 (INFOBALT)
 Vokiečių Street 28/17
 LT-01130 Vilnius
Title of Head: Director

Tel.: (370.5.2) 62.26.23
 Fax: (370.5.2) 62.26.29
 E-mail: office@infobalt.lt
 Internet website: <http://www.infobalt.lt>

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**Industrial Property Tribunal**

District Courts (Court of first instance in criminal cases)
 Vilnius County Courts (Court of first instance in civil cases):

Vilnius District Court	Tel.: (370.5.2) 61.73.25
Gediminas Avenue 40/1	Fax: (370.5.2) 62.56.45
LT-01501 Vilnius	
<i>Title of Head:</i> Chief Justice	

Copyright Tribunal

District Courts (Court of first instance in administrative, criminal and economic cases)
 County Courts (Court of first instance in civil cases concerning authors' moral rights):

Other

Ministry of the Interior	Tel.: (370.5.2) 71.99.21
Police Department, subdivision of of intellectual property protection	Fax: (370.5.2) 71.99.74
Saltoniskiu Street 19	E-mail: info@policija.lt
LT-08105 Vilnius	Internet website: http://www.policija.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Chief Specialist	

Ministry of Finance	Tel.: (370.5.2) 61.72.58
Customs Department	(370.5.2) 66.61.11
A. Jakšto Street 1/25	Fax: (370.5.2) 66.60.05
LT-01105 Vilnius	E-mail: info@cust.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Director	Internet website: http://www.cust.lt

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Mykolas Rameris Law University	Tel.: (370.5.2) 71.64.47
Ateities Street 20	Fax: (370.5.2) 67.60.00
LT-2057 Vilnius	E-mail: roffice@ltu.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Rector	Internet website: http://www.ltu.lt

Vilnius University	Tel.: (370.5.2) 68.70.01
Universiteto Street 3	Fax: (370.5.2) 68.70.96
LT-01513 Vilnius	E-mail: tf@tf.vu.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Rector	Internet website: http://www.vu.lt

Vilnius Gediminas Technical University	Tel.: (370.5.2) 74.49.30
Sauletekio Avenue 11	Fax: (370.5.2) 70.01.14
LT-10223 Vilnius - 40	E-mail: rector@adm.vtu.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Rector	Internet website: http://www.vgtu.lt

Vytautas Magnus University	Tel.: (370.3.7) 22.27.39
Donelaičio Street 58	Fax: (370.3.7) 20.38.58
LT-44248 Kaunas	E-mail: info@adm.vtu.lt
<i>Title of Head:</i> Rector	Internet website: http://www.vdu.lt

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2002 and 2005:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs (2002)
Applications by:	residents	68	1,839	39
	non-residents	10	411	51
Grants to:	residents	73	1,129	42
	non-residents	11	658	30

PCT - 2005

Applications by residents and non-residents:

37 (National Phase Entries)

Grants to residents and non-residents:

32 (1 resident, 31 non-residents)

Madrid System - 2005

International Registrations:

Total applications: 4,052 (non-residents only)

Total registrations: 3,934 (non-residents only)