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Re: Annual Technical Reports on Industrial Design Information Activities in 2023

Madam,
Sir,

I would like to invite your Office or Organization to send to the International Bureau of WIPO an Annual Technical Report (ATR) on its Industrial Design Information Activities for 2023.

The public area of the ATR wiki is available at <https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/x/dgfBAw> and contains:

- completed ATRs for 1998 to 2022;
- keyword search field and possibility to browse by year, ATR modality and Intellectual Property Office (IPO);
- recommended contents of the ATRs on Industrial Design Information Activities in English, French and Spanish, which were approved by the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS) at its first session, held in October 2010 (see document CWS/1/8 and paragraphs 47 to 49 of document CWS/1/10);
- Guidelines for Submitting ATRs in English, French and Spanish; and
- a link to the restricted area of the ATR Wiki Space (see below).

The restricted area of the ATR wiki contains:

- templates for the ATRs in English, French and Spanish; and
- ATRs under preparation.

To access the restricted area and submit an ATR, the person nominated by your Office or Organization should follow the instructions in the “Guidelines for Preparing the ATRs” mentioned above (see <https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/x/NIDMAw>).

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In preparing the ATR, any information on imminent or foreseeable changes in working methods in your Office or Organization would be appreciated, particularly in connection with any automation plans concerning industrial designs.

Any questions or other feedback you might have concerning the ATRs or use of the ATR Management System should be forwarded to the following e-mail address:
ATR.mail@wipo.int.

I would like to remind you that IPOs and other Organizations are invited to inform interested parties that the ATRs are available on WIPO's website. IPOs or Organizations may post on their websites a notice about the ATRs with a link to the ATR wiki at <https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/x/dqfBAw>.

It would be appreciated if you could send the ATR to the International Bureau by May 24, 2024.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken-Ichiro Natsume". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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