

**Continuation of the Patent Prosecution Highway Pilot Program  
Between the United States Patent and Trademark Office and  
the Romanian State Office for Inventions and Trademarks**

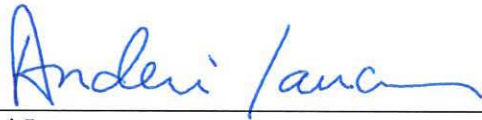
On April 15, 2015, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) commenced a Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program with the Romanian State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM). See *Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Pilot Program Between the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the Romanian State Office for Inventions and Trademarks*, 1414 *Off. Gaz. Pat. Office* 188 (May 5, 2015). This PPH pilot program was due to terminate on April 14, 2019.

With a continued commitment to enhancing intellectual property cooperation between both offices, the USPTO and the OSIM have agreed to extend the PPH pilot until October 27, 2025. Therefore, the USPTO will treat as timely any PPH request based on OSIM work product that is filed in the USPTO on or before October 27, 2025. In addition, the USPTO will treat as timely any PPH request based on OSIM work product that was filed in the USPTO between April 14, 2019, and the publication date of this notice.

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