



## **IP Data Availability and Use of IP Data by IP Offices: National Experiences**

**Manilla, 17-19 December 2013**

# The Brunei Economic Development Board (BEDB)

## Established by

His Majesty, The Sultan in 2001

## Vision

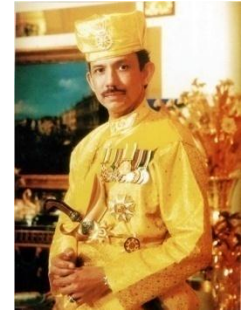
A leading Economic Development Agency recognised for its Professionalism, Progressive and Result Driven Culture.

## Mission

To grow and diversify Brunei Darussalam's economy by attracting investments and strengthening local businesses enabled through research and innovation.

## REPORTING LINE

His Majesty, The Sultan of  
Brunei Darussalam



Chairman & Board

Chief Executive  
Officer

**BEDB**  
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

# Key Focus Areas



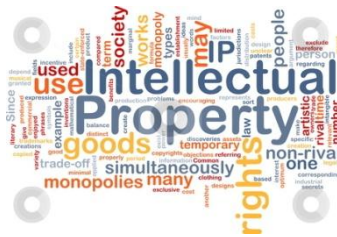
## ATTRACTING INVESTMENTS

Promote Foreign Direct Investments in Export-Oriented Manufacturing and Services as well as Research Collaboration in Brunei.



## INCREASING R&D AND INNOVATION

Develop a National Innovation System that encourages Knowledge Creation and Commercialisation in Science & Technology and Creative Sectors.



## ENHANCING THE VALUE OF INNOVATION

Supporting and Promoting Intellectual Property, Strengthening the Tangibility of Creative and Innovative Output



## STRENGTHENING LOCAL BUSINESSES

Grow Micro Businesses and Strengthen Local Enterprises towards Internationalisation.



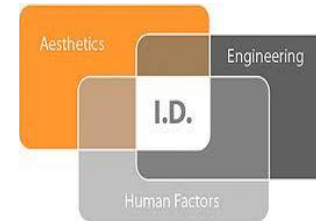
## DELIVERING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

Complete Infrastructure Projects On Time, On Budget and To Quality.

# The Brunei Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO)



INTELLECTUAL  
PROPERTY OFFICE  
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM



The Brunei Intellectual Property Office (BruIPO) was set up on 1 June 2013 in line with the joint effort between the Brunei Economic Development Board (BEDB) and the Attorney General's Chambers (AGC) in the restructuring of the Intellectual Property (IP) administration in Brunei Darussalam.

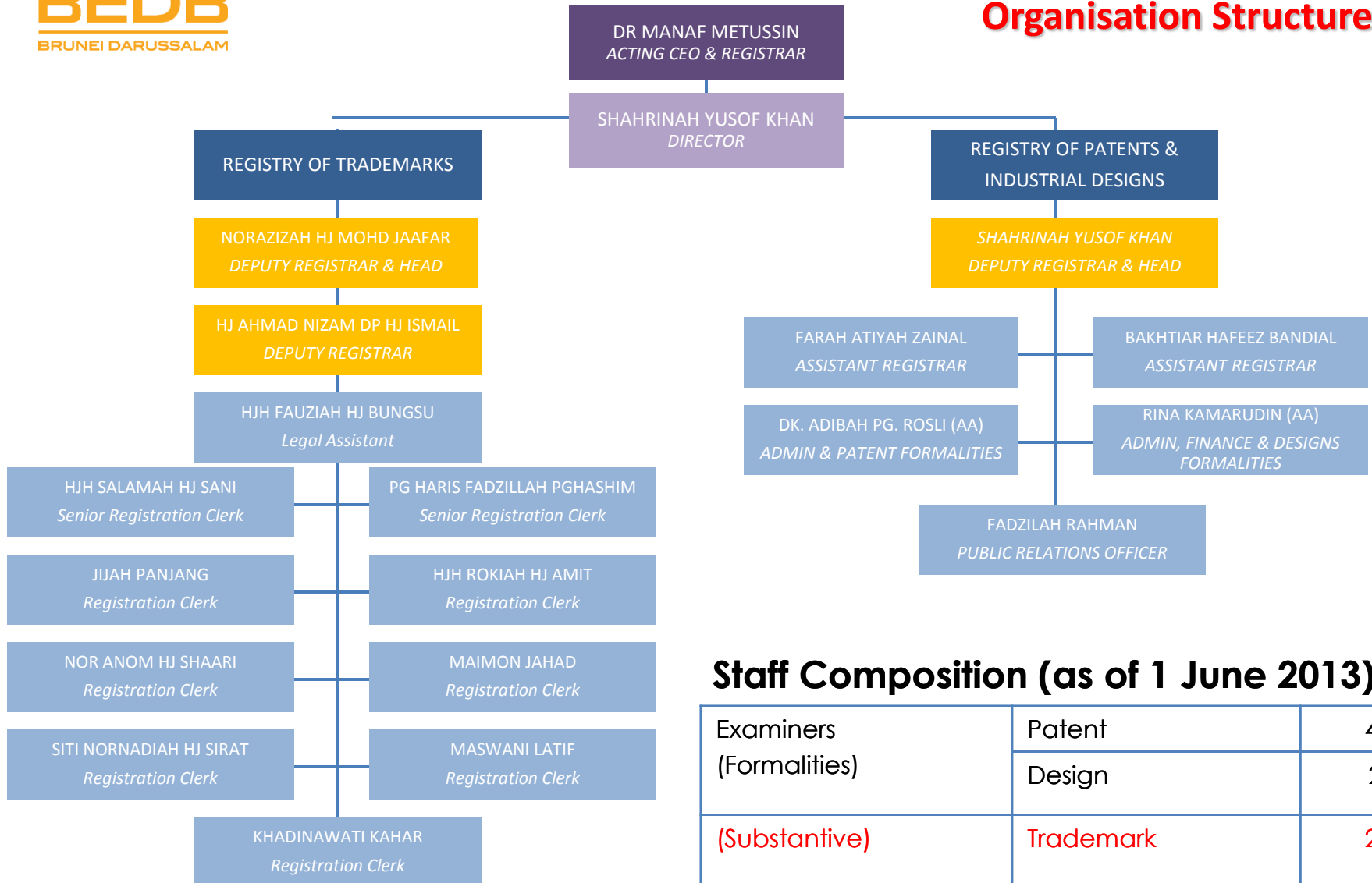
## OBJECTIVES

- To provide a clear, accessible and widely understood patent system that protects ideas and inventions whilst encouraging innovation, Research and Development (R & D) and commercialisation.
- To raise awareness on the benefits and protection of trademarks and industrial designs and to use them to enhance business growth and competitiveness.
- To promote and develop an 'IP Culture' where creativity and innovation can flourish.
- To establish partnership with the relevant stakeholders in support of the national innovation ecosystem.

# Intellectual Property Regime

	PATENTS	INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS	TRADEMARKS	PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION (PVP)	COPYRIGHT*
Legislation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patents Order, 2011</li> <li>Patent Rules, 2012</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Industrial Designs Order, 1999</li> <li>Industrial Designs Rules, 2000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Trade Marks Act (Cap 98)</li> <li>Trade Marks Rules, 2000</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Plant Variety Protection Act (at finalisation stage)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Copyright Order, 1999</li> </ul>
Membership to International Conventions & Treaties and Work Sharing Initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for the International Filing of Patents</li> <li>Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure</li> <li>ASEAN Patent Search &amp; Examination Cooperation (ASPEC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Madrid Protocol for the International Filing of Trademarks (the Madrid System) by 2014</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) by 2014</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works</li> </ul> <p>* Currently under the Attorney General's Chambers (AGC)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property</li> </ul>				

## Organisation Structure



### Staff Composition (as of 1 June 2013)

Examiners (Formalities)	Patent	4
	Design	2
(Substantive)	Trademark	2
General Administrative or Other Staffs		12
Total		<b>18</b>

<b>PATENTS</b>	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Number of applications (Local)	-	-	-	-	20	27
Number of applications (Foreign)	75	43	40	53	11	35
Number of applications (PCT)	-	-	-	-	2	-
Number of request for examination	-	-	-	-	2	17
Number of registered applications	75	43	40	53	33	62

NB: Statistics for 2008-2011 are for re-registration of patents under the repealed Inventions Act (Cap 72)

<b>INDUSTRIAL DESIGNS</b>	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Number of applications (Local)	1	5	-	2	1	0
Number of applications (Foreign)	16	26	12	18	19	7
Number of registered applications	17	31	12	20	20	7

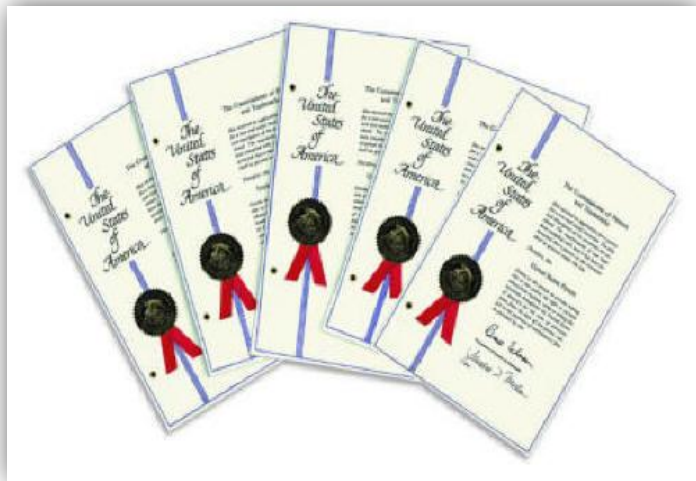
<b>Trademarks</b>	2010	2011	2012	2013
Number of applications (Local)	33	19	51	37
Number of applications (Foreign)	725	838	1075	1019
Number of registered applications	699	596	919	742



With whom do we share our statistics :-

- World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- Japan Patent Office (JPO)
- Regional IP Offices
- When we conduct our public awareness activities.





- Expansion of BruIPO – Preparing to set up Registry for Plant Variation Protection,
- To spin off into a full-fledged IP Office by April 2015
- To provide ease of registration through on-line filing system (e-filing)
- Utilizing the ASPEC tool for sharing of patent examination results further.
- To provide further IP support for SMEs and Institutions of Higher Learning (IHLs)



**THANK YOU**

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