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# Future Accession of the Russian Federation to the Hague System

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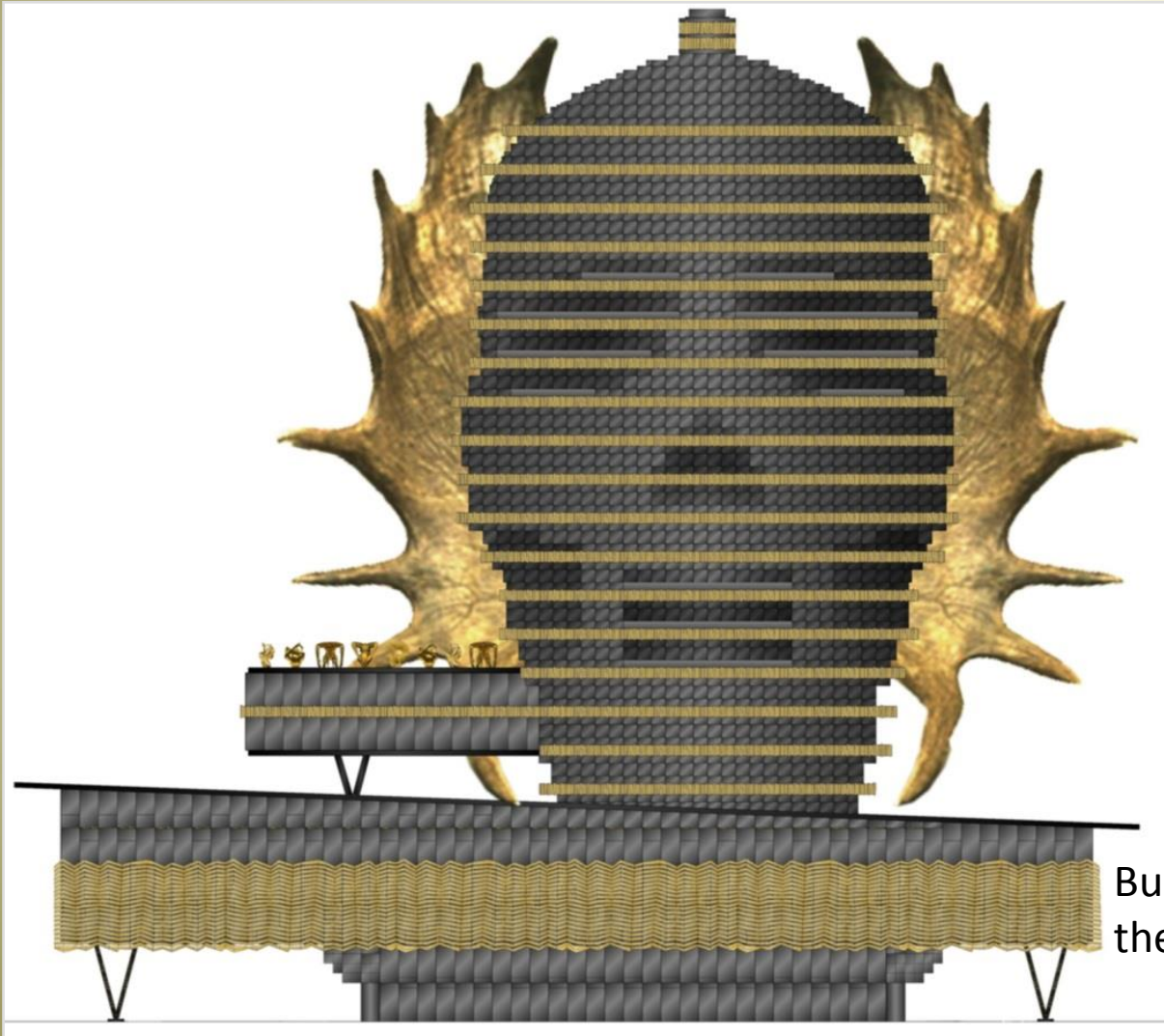
# Historical background

Russian Federation signed the Geneva Act of the Hague Agreement in July 1999.

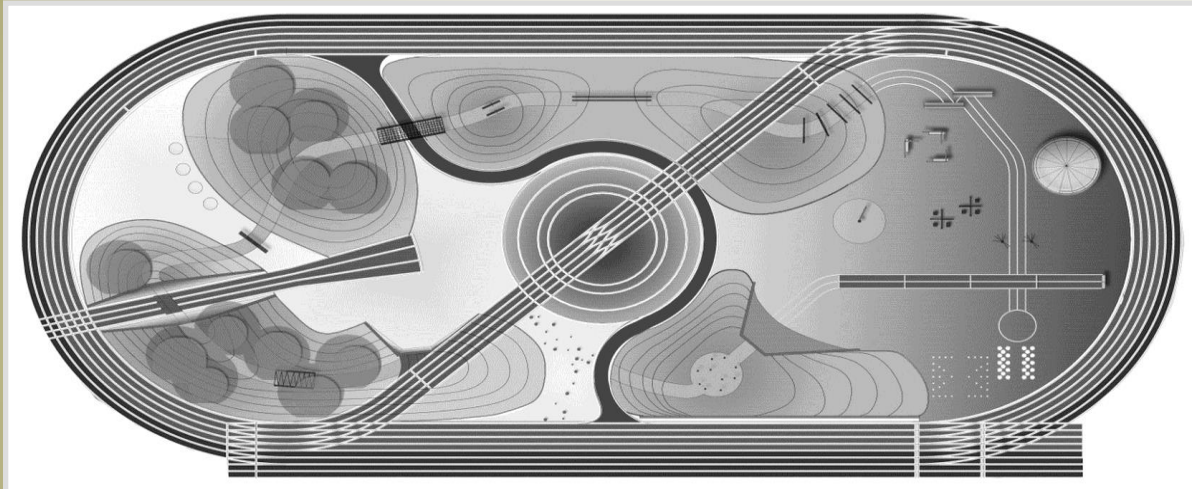
# Important amendments

- the claimed subject matter is determined by reproductions;
- no requirement for the applicant to submit verbal characteristics of essential features describing the claimed subject matter;
- legal protection is granted for 5 years with a possibility of extension up to 25 years;
- one-year renewal period is replaced by a 5-year period;
- grace period is increased to 12 months.

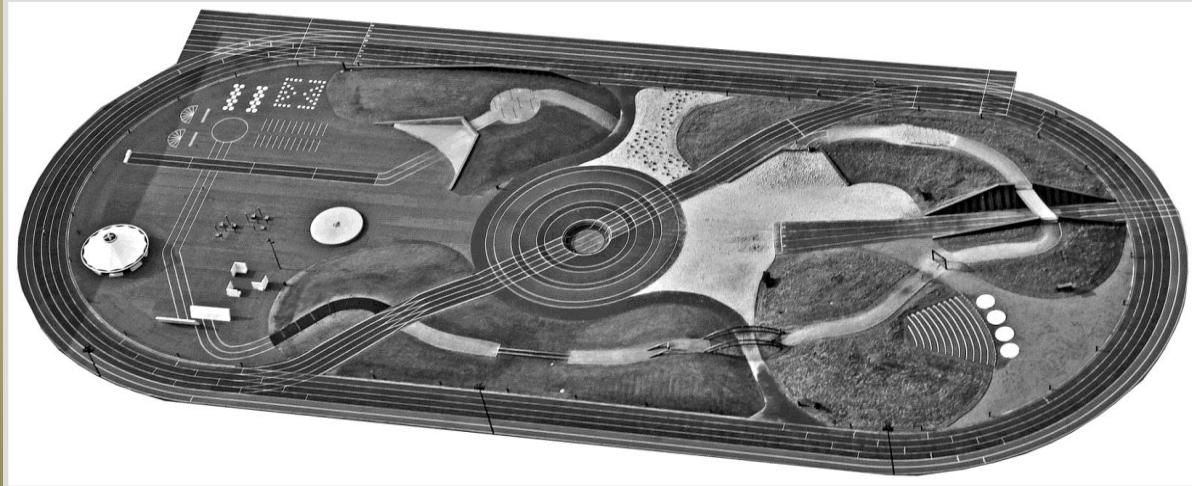
- Patentable subject matter is expanded (by including designs of buildings, objects of unstable or changing forms, etc.)



Building complex (Example from the International Designs Bulletin)



Sports complex (construction) (Example from the International Designs Bulletin)





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The **filing date** of an application for an industrial design shall be **the date of receipt by Rospatent of an application** containing:

- a request for the grant of a patent;
- a set of reproductions of the industrial design.

The **description** of the industrial design and the **list of the verbal characteristics** of the essential features of the industrial design **were excluded from these requirements.**

# Declarations

- I. Article 7(2) (choice of individual designation fee)
- II. Article 11(1)(b) (deferment of publication is not provided by law)
- III. Article 12(2) and Rule 18(1) (b) (the time period for preparing notification of refusal is 12 months)
- IV. Article 13(1) (requirements concerning unity)
- V. Article 14(2)(a), Rule 18(1)(c)(i) (international application has the effect on the territory of the RF from the date of sending notification of registration to IB of WIPO by Rospatent)
- VI. Article 16(2) (concerning special requirements for any change in ownership of the international registration to have effect in the territory of the Russian Federation)
- VII. Article 17(3)(c) (maximum duration of protection – 25 years)
- VIII. Rule 13(4) (the period of one month, necessary for sending international application filed through an entity of the Russian Federation, is replaced by a six months period, necessary for security verification of an application)



Thank you for your kind attention!

