

On behalf of the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks of Romania (OSIM), I have the pleasure to provide you the following inputs:

- Regarding the document SCP/20/9 - Confidentiality of communication between clients and their patent advisors:

In Romania, the “confidentiality” is not specifically regulated for the IP domain but it is based on the provisions of the Code of Ethics for Lawyers. More precisely, as most of the patent advisors are also lawyers, the principle of professional secrecy and the principle of professionalism and loyalty to the client is applicable (Article 8 (2) (c) and (h) of the Code of Ethics).