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As of 16 March 2020, the General Directorate of the Industrial Property Registry of Panama (<u>DIGERPI</u>) is part of the <u>TMclass</u> and <u>DesignClass</u> tools. DIGERPI uses and accepts the list of terms from the harmonised database of goods and services (HDB) in TMclass as well as the list of terms from the harmonised database of product indications (HDBPI) in DesignClass.

Following DIGERPI's decision to use HDB and HDBPI, there are now **eight non-EU**IP offices in both TMclass and DesignClass that use and accept terms from these harmonised databases.

The latest addition of DIGERPI in TMclass brings the total number of participating national and regional intellectual property offices, including ARIPO, OAPI, WIPO and EUIPO, to 77. As for DesignClass, there are now 33 IP offices in the tool.

TMclass offers users the ability to search and translate goods and services to and from each of the **44 available languages**. DesignClass allows searching and translating product indications in **27 languages**.

The adoption of HDB and HDBPI by DIGERPI are concrete results of the <u>IP Key Latin America</u> programme directed by the European Commission and executed by the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO).

More information can be found in www.euipn.org, TMclass and DesignClass.