

# Study visit on Observatory activities for IP offices in the Balkan region

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Representatives from Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia and Serbia participated in a study visit at EUIPO on 10-11 December 2019.

The event focused on providing an in-depth look at the European Observatory on Infringements of Intellectual Property Rights and its procedures for **fighting piracy and counterfeiting**, as well as the EUIPO's [international cooperation](#) programme.

Non-EU enforcers and experts from the intellectual property offices in the Balkan region took part in the event, which included presentations on economic and enforcement studies, the [IP Enforcement Portal](#), IP awareness-raising, cooperation with customs authorities and international cooperation. A session on the front office tool also took place.

The study visit provided a multilateral and collaborative platform for non-EU partners to exchange information and experiences related to enforcement practices.

This activity falls under the SP2020 project 'Extension of tools and support to the Observatory for non-EU countries'.