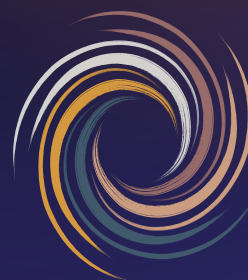


# National Contacts

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Intellectual property crime  
investigation and prosecution



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## Executive summary

In March 2021, the European Union Agency for Criminal Justice Cooperation (Eurojust) and the European Union Intellectual Property Office (EUIPO) signed a 4-year service-level agreement aimed at strengthening cooperation in the area of intellectual property crime (IPC) and providing a more robust response against intellectual property (IP) crimes at the EU level.

As part of this agreement, Eurojust began the implementation of the IPC project, a novel initiative aiming at enhancing the judicial response against counterfeiting and piracy – by supporting EU Member States with complex cross-border IPC investigations – and contributing to the work of the EUIPO in the area of IP infringements. To that end, the project focuses on building, promoting and exchanging knowledge, tools and expertise, as well as on raising awareness.

The IPC project has compiled a list of national law enforcement, prosecution, and judicial services responsible for investigating and prosecuting IP crimes as part of its project goals. This catalogue includes descriptions of national institutions in charge of investigating and prosecuting IP crimes, as well as contact information for 27 EU Member States and 13 affiliated Third Countries. This collection of national institutions and their contacts is intended to help legal practitioners understand national structure and to make it easier to contact relevant national institutions.

In general, the investigation and prosecution of IP crimes adhere to general criminal procedure and jurisdiction rules. In most countries, general police and prosecution services handle IP crime investigation and prosecution. However, in some cases, as demonstrated in this document, specialised units were established specifically for IP crime investigation and prosecution.

Each page is dedicated to a Member State or an affiliated Third Country. Countries are ordered in alphabetical order based on the country name in the English language. Access to the relevant websites is provided through hyperlinks, which can be accessed by pressing the ‘Ctrl’ key while simultaneously clicking on the web address provided on the page.

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# **NATIONAL CONTACTS OF EU MEMBER STATES**



# AUSTRIA

## Republik Österreich

Intellectual Property infringements can have civil and criminal law consequences under the Austrian system. However, the IP offences are subject to private prosecution, which may be initiated only by the person or business damaged by the infringement – not the public prosecutor.

### Law Enforcement Agencies

#### Customs Administration

- ✉ [zollinfo@bmf.gv.at](mailto:zollinfo@bmf.gv.at)
- ☎ +43 50 233 740
- 🌐 <https://www.bmf.gv.at/>

In private prosecution matters, the preliminary investigation is not opened by the private prosecutor. The private prosecutor may only apply for provisional pecuniary orders.

Nonetheless, the **Austrian Customs Administration** can conduct seizure operations.

### Prosecution

#### Public Prosecutor's Offices

Only for the criminal offence set in Section 124 of the Criminal Code

- 📍 List of contact details based on the region: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.justiz.gv.at/home/staatsanwaltschaften/recht-einfach-erklaert.afa.de.html>

Austria applies the principle of 'prosecution after claim of the victim', stipulating that infringement of IP rights is a private prosecution crime, since this crime concerns the rights of the IP right owner, and it is more suitable for the victim to decide whether to claim his rights or not.

Criminal proceedings are conducted according to the general principles of the Code of Criminal Procedure. The private prosecutor is generally entitled to the same rights as the public prosecutor (with exceptions regarding certain sanctions).

The public prosecutor cannot initiate criminal proceedings, except for criminal offences described in Section 124 of the Criminal Code (Scouting of a business or trade secret for the benefit of foreign countries). In this case, the **Public Prosecutor's Office** is responsible for the prosecution of this criminal offence.

### Judiciary

#### Vienna's Regional Court

- ✉ [servicecenter.lgstrafwien@justiz.gv.at](mailto:servicecenter.lgstrafwien@justiz.gv.at)
- ☎ +43 1 40127 0
- 📍 Landesgerichtsstr. 11, 1080 Vienna
- 🌐 <https://www.justiz.gv.at/lg-fuer-strafsachen-wien/landesgericht-fuer-strafsachen-wien.2fe.de.html>

According to the Trademark Protection Act, the Copyright Act and the Patent Act, **Vienna's Regional Court for criminal matters** has exclusive jurisdiction for criminal law remedies based on IP infringements.

# BELGIUM

Royaume de Belgique/  
Koninkrijk België

In Belgium, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Belgian Federal Police

📍 Contacts based on the region: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://www.police.be/fr>

### Federal Service Economy - Anti-Counterfeiting Unit

✉️ [piie.contact@economie.fgov.be](mailto:piie.contact@economie.fgov.be)

☎️ +32 800 120 33

📍 Rue du Progrès, 50,1210  
Brussels

🌐 <https://economie.fgov.be/en>

IP crime investigations are conducted by the **Belgian Federal Police**. There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

IP crime investigations are also carried out by a unit specialised in IP crime investigations within the Federal Public Service Economy's Directorate-General for Economic Inspection called the **Anti-Counterfeiting Unit**.

## Prosecution

### Federal Prosecutor's Office

✉️ [parquet.federal@just.fgov.be](mailto:parquet.federal@just.fgov.be)

☎️ +32 557 77 11

📍 Rue aux Laines, 66 boîte 1, 1000 Brussels

🌐 <https://www.om-mp.be/fr/votre-mp/parquet-federal/contact>

### Public Prosecutor's Office

📍 Contact details based on the region: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://www.om-mp.be/fr/node/52>

**Public Prosecutor's Offices** are responsible for prosecuting IP crimes. There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

The **Federal Public Prosecutor's Office** is responsible for international judicial cooperation through mutual legal assistance and for acting as a central contact point for international judicial authorities.

## Judiciary

### Belgian Courts and Tribunals

📍 Contact details based on the region: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://www.tribunaux-rechtbanken.be/fr>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- Police Courts;
- First Instance Courts;
- Courts of Appeal; and
- The Supreme Court.

# BULGARIA

Република България

In Bulgaria, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### General Directorate National Police (GDNP)

- ✉ [gdnpmvr.bg](mailto:gdnpmvr.bg)
- 📍 1715 Blvd. 1 Aleksandar Malinov Str., 1715 Sofia
- 🌐 <https://www.mvr.bg/>

### Sector on Illegal Content on the Internet at the Cybercrime Department of the General Directorate for Combating Organised Crime (GDCOC)

- ✉ [gdbopmvr.bg](mailto:gdbopmvr.bg)
- ☎ +359 2 982 83 63
- 📍 Bull. 133A Tsarigradsko Shose Str., 1784 Sofia
- 🌐 <https://www.gdbop.bg/>

IP criminal offences are investigated by the **General Directorate National Police (GDNP)**. There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

In case the criminal offences are committed in the cyber space, the investigations are conducted by the **Sector on Illegal Content on the Internet** at the **Cybercrime Department** of the **General Directorate for Combating Organised Crime (GDCOC)**.

## Prosecution

### General Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ [prbcontprb.bg](mailto:prbcontprb.bg)
- ☎ +359 2 982 83 63
- 📍 2 Vitosha Blvd., 1061 Sofia
- 🌐 <https://prb.bg/prokuratura/glaven-prokuror/en>

The **General Prosecutor's Offices** are responsible for prosecuting IP crimes. There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Bulgarian Courts

- 🌐 Bulgarian justice portal with contact details of each court:  
<https://portal.justice.bg/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Provincial Courts;
- Courts of Appeal;
- The Supreme Court of Cassation.

There are also Specialised Criminal Court and Specialised Criminal Court of Appeal (for criminal offences committed by organised groups).

# CROATIA

Republika Hrvatska



In Croatia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Croatian Police Force

- ✉ [policija@mup.hr](mailto:policija@mup.hr)
- 📍 Contact details based on the location: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://policija.gov.hr/>

### General Police Directorate

- ☎ +385 1 3788 111
- 📍 Ilica 335, 10 000 Zagreb
- 🌐 <https://policija.gov.hr/o-ravnateljstvu/9>

IP crime investigations are conducted by the **Croatian police force**. There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

To perform the regular police activities, an administrative organisation – the **General Police Directorate** – was established within the Ministry of Interior. The General Police Directorate is also responsible for implementing international agreements on police cooperation.

## Prosecution

### Prosecutor General's Office

- ✉ [pisarnica@dorh.hr](mailto:pisarnica@dorh.hr)
- ☎ +385 1 4591 888
- 📍 Gajeva 30a, 10000 Zagreb
- 🌐 <https://dorh.hr/en>

**The State Attorney's Office** is responsible for the prosecution of the IP crimes.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Croatian Courts

- 📍 Contact details based on the region: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://sudovi.hr/en>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of criminal offence falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Municipal Courts;
- Country Courts;
- The High Criminal Court; and
- The Supreme Court.

# CYPRUS

Κυπριακή Δημοκρατία



In Cyprus, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to investigation and prosecution of the intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Office for Combating Intellectual Property Theft and Illegl Gambling

- ✉ [iprc@police.gov.cy](mailto:iprc@police.gov.cy)
- ☎ +357 22808200
- 📍 Evangelou Floraki Street,  
p.c. 1478 Nicosia
- 🌐 <https://www.police.gov.cy/police/police.nsf/All/4CE0D33547977B7EC22584000041D64E?OpenDocument>

The IP crimes are investigated by a specialised unit within the Cyprus Police called **Office for Combating Intellectual Property Theft and Illegal Gambling**, which is part of **the Crime Combating Department**.

## Prosecution

### Attorney General's Office

- ✉ [att.gen@law.gov.cy](mailto:att.gen@law.gov.cy)
- ☎ +357 22889100
- 📍 Apelli 1, P.C. 1080, 1403 Nicosia
- 🌐 <http://www.law.gov.cy/law/law.nsf/home-el/home-el?openform>
- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contacts details can be found [here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the general competence of the **Attorney General's Office**. There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Cypriot Courts and Tribunals

- 📍 Contact details based on the region: access [here](#)
- 🌐 [http://www.supremecourt.gov.cy/judicial/sc.nsf/DMLJudiciary\\_en/DMLJudiciary\\_en?opendocument](http://www.supremecourt.gov.cy/judicial/sc.nsf/DMLJudiciary_en/DMLJudiciary_en?opendocument)

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a two-tier system:

- District Courts (for offences punishable by a term of imprisonment not exceeding five years and/or a fine not exceeding € 50,000);
- Assize Courts (or offences punishable by a term of imprisonment exceeding five years);
- The Supreme Court.





# CZECH REPUBLIC

Česká republika

In the Czech Republic, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Department of Economic Crime of the Office of the Criminal Police and Investigation Service

- ✉ [epodatelna.policie@pcr.cz](mailto:epodatelna.policie@pcr.cz)
- ☎ +420 974 813 800
- 📍 Schr. 62/KPV, 170 89, Praha 7, Strojnická 27
- 🌐 <https://www.policie.cz/clanek/uskpv-ohk-odbor-hospodarske-kriminality.aspx>

IP crimes investigations are conducted by the **Department of Economic Crime of the Office of the Criminal Police and Investigation Service**, which is a part of the **Czech National Police**.

There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### Prosecutor General's Office

- ✉ [podatelna@nsz.brn.justice.cz](mailto:podatelna@nsz.brn.justice.cz)
- ☎ +420 542 512 111
- 📍 Jezuitská 585/4 660 55 Brno
- 🌐 <https://verejnazaloba.cz/en/prosecutor-generals-office/>

**The Prosecutor General's Offices** are responsible for the prosecuting of the IP crimes.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Czech Courts

- 📍 Contact details based on the region: access [here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.justice.cz/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Regional Courts;
- High Courts; and
- The Supreme Court.

# DENMARK

Kongeriget Danmark

In Denmark, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Unit for Special Crime - (National Enhed for Særlig Kriminalitet- NSK)

✉ nsk@politi.dk  
☎ +45 30 53 59 19  
📍 Kampmannsgade 1,  
1604 København V  
🌐 <https://politi.dk/virksomheden/national-enheden-for-saerlig-kriminalitet>

IP crimes investigations are conducted by the **National Unit for Special Crime (National Enhed for Særlig Kriminalitet- NSK)** investigating the most complex economic crime, organised crime and cybercrime. There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

The **Police's Online Patrol** was launched to strengthen the police's digital presence.

## Prosecution

### National Unit for Special Crime - (National Enhed for Særlig Kriminalitet- NSK)

✉ nsk@politi.dk  
☎ +45 51 46 38 37  
📍 Kampmannsgade 1,  
1604 København V  
🌐 <https://politi.dk/virksomheden/national-enheden-for-saerlig-kriminalitet>

**The National Unit for Special Crime (National Enhed for Særlig Kriminalitet - NSK)** has the jurisdiction to prosecute IP crimes. The Unit specialises exclusively in complex economic crime, organised crime and cybercrime, but there is no unit exclusively specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Danish Courts and Tribunals

📍 Contact details based on the region: access [here](#)  
🌐 <https://www.domstol.dk/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Two High Courts; and
- The Supreme Court.



# ESTONIA

Eesti Vabariik

In Estonia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Estonian Police and Border Guard Board

- ✉ [ppa@politsei.ee](mailto:ppa@politsei.ee)
- 📍 Pärnu mnt 139, Tallinn, 15060
- 🌐 <https://www.politsei.ee/en/>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of the **Estonian Police and Border Guard Board**. There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Offices

- ✉ [info@prokuratuur.ee](mailto:info@prokuratuur.ee)
- ☎ +372 6 944 274
- 📍 Wismari 7, 15188 Tallinn
- 🌐 <https://www.prokuratuur.ee/>
- 📍 List of Regional Prosecutor's Offices and their contacts details can be found [here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the general competence of **Public Prosecutor's Offices**. There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Estonian Courts

- 📍 Contact details based on the region: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.kohus.ee/eesti-kohtud/kohtususteem-kolmeastmeline>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- County Courts;
- Administrative Courts;
- Circuit Courts; and
- The Supreme Court.





# FINLAND

Suomen tasavalta

In Finland, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Finnish Police

✉ kirjaamo.helsinki@poliisi.fi

☎ +358 295 470 011

📍 Contacts based on the location: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://poliisi.fi/en/frontpage>

### Finnish Customs

✉ johtokeskus@tulli.fi

📍 Contacts based on the location: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://tulli.fi/etusivu>

The IP crimes investigations are conducted by the **Finnish Police** and **Finnish Customs** based on the location.

Neither the police nor customs have units specialised in IP investigations.

## Prosecution

### Prosecution District of Southern Finland

✉ etela-suomi.syyttaja@oikeus.fi

☎ + 358 29 562 2100

📍 Porkkalankatu 13, FI-00180 Helsinki

🌐 <https://syyttajalaitos.fi/en/contact-information>

The investigation of industrial property crimes falls under the competence of specialised prosecutors of the **Prosecution District of Southern Finland**.

Recently, a special team was set up to prosecute IP and cybercrimes, as well as criminal offences related to business secrets.

## Judiciary

### Helsinki District Court

✉ helsinki.ko@oikeus.fi

☎ + 358 2956 44273

📍 Porkkalankatu 13, 00180 Helsinki

🌐 <https://oikeus.fi/karajaoikeudet/helsinginkarajaoikeus/en/index.html>

🌐 Contact details of Helsinki Court of Appeals: [access here](#)

Contact details of the Supreme Court: [access here](#)

IP crimes fall under industrial property offenses. **Helsinki District Court** has jurisdiction over these cases as a first instance court.

**The Helsinki Court of Appeals** is the second instance court for the IP-related criminal cases.

The **Supreme Court** is the third and the final instance.



# FRANCE

République Française

In France, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Directorate-General for Competition, Consumer Affairs and Fraud Prevention (DGCCRF)

- ✉ Signal Corso system: <https://signal.conso.gouv.fr/>
- ☎ +32 809 540 550
- 📍 B.P.60 - 34935 Montpellier Cedex 9
- 🌐 <https://www.economie.gouv.fr/contact/contacter-la-dgccrf>
- 🌐 Submit complaint to the police or gendarmerie [online](#)

Pursuant to Article L. 511-13. 3° du Code de la Consommation, the **Directorate-General for Competition, Consumer Affairs and Fraud Prevention (DGCCRF)** is authorised to investigate and establish infringements in terms of trademark counterfeiting.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutors

- 🌐 Contact details based on the location: [access here](#)
- 🌐 Submit complaint to the public prosecutor [online](#)

### General Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ [sec.pg.courdecassation@justice.fr](mailto:sec.pg.courdecassation@justice.fr)
- ☎ +33 1 44 32 95 95
- 📍 6 boulevard du Palais, 75001 Paris
- 🌐 <https://www.courdecassation.fr/formulaires/contact>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the general prosecution system.

At the first instance courts, the prosecution is led by **public prosecutors (Procureur de la République)**.

At the appellate courts and Court of Cassation, the prosecution is led by the **General Prosecutor's Office (Parquet Général)**.

## Judiciary

### French Courts

- 📍 List of French courts and their contact details: [access here](#)

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Regional Courts; and
- Court of Cassation.



# GERMANY

Bundesrepublik

Deutschland

In Germany, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Customs Office - Central Information Unit

- ✉ enquiries.english@zoll.de
- ☎ +49 351 44834 530
- 📍 Postfach 10 07 61, 01077 Dresden
- 🌐 [https://www.zoll.de/EN/Home/home\\_node.html](https://www.zoll.de/EN/Home/home_node.html)

### State Police Agencies (Landespolizeien)

- 📍 Contact details based on each state: [access here](#)

At the federal level, IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the Customs Office**, which is supported by **the Federal Police**.

At the state level, investigations of IP crimes are carried out by the **State Police Agencies (Landespolizeien)**.

There are no units specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Offices

- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the **Public Prosecutor's Offices**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Swedish Courts

- 📍 List of German courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.justiz.nrw.de/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. Jurisdiction is exercised by the federal courts and the courts of the 16 federal states.

State level courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Local Courts;
- Regional Courts; and
- Higher Regional Court.

Decisions of Regional Courts (on juvenile cases) and Higher Regional Courts can be revised by the Federal Court of Justice.

# GREECE

Ελληνική Δημοκρατία

In Greece, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Hellenic Police - Economic Crime Directorate

- ✉ [financialpolice@hellenicpolice.gr](mailto:financialpolice@hellenicpolice.gr)
- ☎ +30 2106476431
- 📍 173 Alexandras Ave., P.C. 115 22, Athens
- 🌐 <http://www.astynomia.gr/>

The IP crimes' investigation fall under the competence of **Economic Crime Directorate of Hellenic Police**.

There are no units specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### Prosecutor's Office at the Supreme Court

- ☎ List of contact details: [access here](#)
- 📍 121 Alexandras Avenue Athens
- 🌐 <https://eisap.gr/eisaggelia-areiou-pagou/>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the general prosecution jurisdiction.

Prosecutor's Offices consist of **the Prosecutor's Office at the Supreme Court, the Prosecutor's Office at the Court of Appeals and the Public Prosecutor's Offices** (at the first instance courts).

The Prosecutor's Offices do not have units specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

### Public Prosecutor's Offices

- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

## Judiciary

### Greek Courts

- 🌐 [https://www.ministryofjustice.gr/?page\\_id=612#](https://www.ministryofjustice.gr/?page_id=612#)

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Magistrate Courts;
- Courts of Appeal; and
- The Supreme Court.

# HUNGARY

Magyarország

In Hungary, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of the intellectual property crimes. These crime fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Tax and Customs Administration (NTCA)

- ✉ [kmbig@nav.gov.hu](mailto:kmbig@nav.gov.hu)
- ☎ +36 1 430-9763
- 📍 1033 Budapest, Huszti, Út 42, 1300, Budapest, Pf. 216
- 🌐 <https://nav.gov.hu/>
- 📍 Contact details of regional offices: [access here](#)

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the National Tax and Customs Administration (NTCA)**. Investigations are region-based and handled by regional offices of the NTCA.

There are no units specialised in investigating IP crimes in the NTCA.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecution Service

- ✉ [info@mku.hu](mailto:info@mku.hu)
- ☎ +36 1 354 5500
- 📍 Markó street 16, 1055 Budapest
- 🌐 <http://ugyeszseg.hu/en/>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecution Service**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Hungarian Courts

- 📍 List of Hungarian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://birosag.hu/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Administrative and labour courts;
- Regional Courts of Appeal; and
- The Curia.



# IRELAND

Poblacht na hÉireann

In Ireland, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Intellectual Property & Counterfeit Investigations Unit

- ✉ Nbei.ipeu@garda.ie
- ☎ +353 85 8059 952; +353 87 7902 966
- 📍 Harcourt Square, Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02 DH42
- 🌐 <https://www.garda.ie/en/about-us/organised-serious-crime/garda-national-bureau-of-criminal-investigation/>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of the **Intellectual Property & Counterfeit Investigations Unit of the Garda National Bureau of Criminal Investigation**, which is part of Ireland's National Police and Security Service.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ dpp@dppireland.ie
- ☎ + 353 1 858 8500
- 📍 Infirmary Road, Dublin 7, D07 FHN8
- 🌐 <https://www.dppireland.ie/>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecutor's Offices**.

There is no unit in the Public Prosecution Office specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Irish Courts

- 📍 List of Irish courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.courts.ie/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Circuit Courts and District Courts organised on a regional basis;
- High Court and Court of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# ITALY

Repubblica Italiana

In Italy, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Security Group (Nucleo Speciale Beni e Servizi)

- ✉ [rm221.protocollo@gdf.it](mailto:rm221.protocollo@gdf.it)
- ☎ +39 6 96513691
- 📍 Via Fortunato Depero, n. 76 - 00155 Roma
- 🌐 <https://www.gdf.gov.it/reparti-del-corpo/territorio/lazio/roma/nucleo-speciale-beni-e-servizi-roma>

In Italy, there is a network of special units that handle IP crime investigations within **the Guardia di Finanza**.

At the central level, IP crime investigations are carried out by the **Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Security Group (Nucleo Speciale Beni e Servizi)**.

At the local level, each province has an **Economic and Financial Police Unit**.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Offices

- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecutor's Offices**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Italian Courts

- 📍 List of Italian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Peace and Regional Tribunals;
- Courts of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# LATVIA

Latvijas Republika

In Latvia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### The 3th Unit of the Economic Crime Combating Division of the State Police

- ✉ enap@vp.gov.lv
- ☎ +371 67208663
- 📍 Ciekurkalna 1, Riga
- 🌐 <https://www.vp.gov.lv/en>

IP crime investigation fall under the competence of **State Police**.

At the headquarters of the State Police, a specialised unit - **the 3th Unit of the Economic Crime Combating Division of the State Police** - deals with the coordination of the IP crimes committed online.

## Prosecution

### Prosecution's Office

- ✉ pasts@lrp.gov.lv
- ☎ +371 67 044 400
- 📍 Kalpaka bulvāris 6, Rīga
- 🌐 <http://www.prokuratūra.lv/en>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the first-level prosecution offices.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Latvian Courts

- 📍 List of Latvian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://tiesas.lv/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Regional Courts; and
- The Supreme Court.



# LITHUANIA

Lietuvos respublika

In Lithuania, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Office of Commissioner-General of the Police

- ✉ info@policija.lt
- ☎ +370 5 271 6444
- 📍 Saltoniškių g. 19, 08105 Vilnius
- 🌐 <https://policija.lrv.lt/en/structure-and-contacts/police-department-contacts>

**County Chief Police Commissariats** investigate IP crimes based on their local jurisdiction.

There are no units specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### District Prosecutor's Offices

- 📍 List of District Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the **District Prosecutor's Offices and Prosecutor General's Office**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

### Prosecutor General's Office

- ✉ generaline.prokuratura@prokuraturos.lt
- ☎ +370 5 250 0970
- 📍 Rinktinės g. 5A, LT-01515 Vilnius
- 🌐 <https://www.prokuraturos.lt/>

## Judiciary

### Lithuanian Courts

- 📍 List of Lithuanian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.teismai.lt/lt>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Regional Courts;
- Court of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# LUXEMBOURG

Groussherzogtum

Lëtzebuerg

In Luxembourg, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of the intellectual property crimes. These crime fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Grand-Ducale Police

- 📍 List of police stations and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://police.public.lu/en.html>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the Grand-Ducale Police**.

There are no units specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Financial and Economic Section of the Public Prosecutor's Office

- 📍 Building PL, L-2080 Luxembourg
- ✉️ Online contact form: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://justice.public.lu/fr/organisation-justice.html>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Financial and Economic Section of the Public Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Luxembourgish Courts

- 📍 List of Luxembourgish courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://justice.public.lu/fr.html>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system.

Luxembourg is divided into two judicial districts, and each has a District Court: one is in Luxembourg and the other is in Diekirch.

At the top of the hierarchy of courts is the Supreme Court of Justice, which comprises a Court of Cassation and a Court of Appeal, plus a Supreme Prosecutor's Office.



# MALTA

Repubblika ta' Malta

In Malta, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Economic Crimes Squad

- ✉ pulizija@gov.mt
- ☎ +356 2122 4001
- 📍 16, Farsons Street, Hamrun
- 🌐 <https://pulizija.gov.mt/en/police-force/police-sections/Pages/Economic-Crimes-Unit.aspx>

The IP crimes' investigation and prosecution fall under the competence of the **Economic Crimes Squad in the Financial Crimes Investigations Department of the Police Force**.

There is no specialised unit for IP crimes' investigation.

## Prosecution

### Economic Crimes Squad

- ✉ pulizija@gov.mt
- ☎ +356 2122 4001
- 📍 16, Farsons Street, Hamrun
- 🌐 <https://pulizija.gov.mt/en/police-force/police-sections/Pages/Economic-Crimes-Unit.aspx>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the competence of **the Economic Crimes Squad in the Financial Crimes Investigations Department of the Police Force**.

If IP crimes are related to cybercrimes, their prosecution falls under the competence of **the Attorney General**.

### Attorney General

- ✉ ag@attorneygeneral.mt
- ☎ +356 2248 8800
- 📍 Admiralty House, 53, South Street, Valletta, VLT 1101
- 🌐 <https://attorneygeneral.mt/en/Pages/Office-of-the-Attorney-General.aspx>

## Judiciary

### Maltese Courts

- 📍 List of Maltese courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://ecourts.gov.mt/onlineservices>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a two-tier system:

- Magistrate's Courts; and
- Courts of Appeals.

# THE NETHERLANDS

Koninkrijk der  
Nederlanden

In the Netherlands, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Fiscal Information and Investigation Service (FIOD)

- ✉ [fiod.infodesk@belastingdienst.nl](mailto:fiod.infodesk@belastingdienst.nl)
- ☎ +31 (088) 155 16 00
- 📍 Postbus 19266, 3501 DG Utrecht
- 🌐 <https://www.fiod.nl/>

IP crimes investigation and prosecution fall under the competence of the **Fiscal Information and Investigation Service (FIOD)**.

The FIOD does not have exclusive jurisdiction over IP crimes. These crimes can also be investigated by the local investigation services. Usually, the complexity and the amount of seized goods determine which institution shall handle the investigation.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor Offices

- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.prosecutionservice.nl/>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the competence of **Public Prosecutor Offices**.

There are no units specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Dutch Courts

- 📍 List of Dutch courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.rechtspraak.nl/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals; and
- Supreme Court.



# POLAND

Rzeczpospolita Polska

In Poland, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police

- ✉ kancelaria.gabinetkgp@policja.gov.pl
- ☎ +48 47 72 199 00
- 📍 Puławska 148/150,02-624 Warsaw
- 🌐 <https://www.policja.pl/>

### Central Office for Combatting Cybercrime

- ✉ cyber-kgp@policja.gov.pl
- ☎ +48 47 72 118 77
- 📍 Puławska 148/150,02-624 Warsaw
- 🌐 <https://cbzc.policja.gov.pl/>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the competence of **the Polish National Police**.

If IP crimes are related to cybercrimes, the investigation falls under the competence of **the Central Office for Combatting Cybercrime**.

## Prosecution

### National Prosecutor's Offices

- ✉ biuro.podawcze.pk@prokuratura.gov.pl
- ☎ +48 22 12 51 594
- 📍 ul. Postępu 3, 02-676 Warsaw
- 🌐 <https://www.gov.pl/web/prokuratura-krajowa>

### National Prosecutor's Offices

- 📍 List of Polish District Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the competence of **District Prosecutor's Offices**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Polish Courts

- 📍 List of Polish courts and their contact details: [access here](#)

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Provincial Courts;
- Court of Appeals; and
- Supreme Court.



# PORTUGAL

República Portuguesa



In Portugal, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Portuguese Criminal Police (Polícia Judiciária)

- ☎ +351 211 967 000
- 📍 Rua Gomes Freire, 1169-007 Lisboa
- 🌐 <https://www.policiajudiciaria.pt/english/#>

### National Unit to Combat Cybercrime and Technological Crime (UNC3T)

- 🌐 <https://www.policiajudiciaria.pt/unc3t/>
- 🌐 [Electronic complaint system: access here](#)

IP crimes investigation fall under the competence of the **Portuguese Criminal Police (Polícia Judiciária)**.

IP crimes committed in cyberspace fall under the competence of the **National Unit to Combat Cybercrime and Technological Crime (UNC3T)** of Polícia Judiciária.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecution Offices

- 📍 List of Public Prosecution Offices and their contacts: [access here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecution Offices**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Portuguese Courts

- 📍 List of Portuguese courts and their contact details: [access here](#)

### Court of Intellectual Property

- ✉ [tribunal.p.intelectual@tribunais.org.pt](mailto:tribunal.p.intelectual@tribunais.org.pt)
- ☎ +351 213 846 400
- 📍 Rua Marquês da Fronteira, 1098-001 Lisboa
- 🌐 <https://www.ministeriopublico.pt/contato/tribunal-da-propriedade-intelectual>

IP-related civil cases are heard by a specialised court – **the Court of Intellectual Property**.

Criminal jurisdiction falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals;
- The Superior Court of Justice.

# ROMANIA

România

In Romania, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Directorate for Investigating Economic Crimes

- ✉ [igpr@politiaromana.ro](mailto:igpr@politiaromana.ro)
- ☎ +40 021 208 25 25
- 📍 Șos. Ștefan cel Mare, nr. 13-15, Bucharest
- 🌐 <https://www.politiaromana.ro/ro/politia-romana/unitati-centrale/directia-de-investigare-a-criminalitatii-economice>

The investigation of IP crimes falls under the competence of economic crime investigation structures, which are part of each County Police Inspectorate, as well as **the Bucharest General Police Directorate**.

The coordinating, hierarchically superior police structure within the Romanian General Police Inspectorate is **the Directorate for Investigating Economic Crimes**.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Offices

- ☎ +40 21 319 38 33
- 📍 B-dul Liber-tății nr.14, Sector 5, Bucharest
- 🌐 <https://www.mpublic.ro/ro/content/sectia-de-urmari-re-penala-si-criminalistica>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes are generally carried out by **Public Prosecutor's Offices** attached to Local Courts; however, the other Public Prosecutor's Offices can also prosecute IP crimes if special competence criteria fall under their jurisdiction.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Romanian Courts

- 📍 List of Romanian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://portal.just.ro/SitePages/acasa.aspx#>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Tribunals;
- Courts of Appeal; and
- The High Court of Cassation and Justice.

# SLOVAKIA

Slovenská republika



In Slovakia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### General Police Units

- ✉ Online contact form: [access here](#)
- 📍 Račianska 45, 812 72 Bratislava
- 🌐 <https://www.minv.sk/2/policia>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **general police units**.

There is a non-specialised unit for IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Office

- 📍 List of Public Prosecutor's Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The prosecution of the IP crime falls under the competencies of the **Public Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no specialised unit responsible for the prosecution of IP crimes.

### Regional Prosecutor's Office Bratislava

- ✉ [kpbratislava@genpro.gov.sk](mailto:kpbratislava@genpro.gov.sk)
- ☎ +421 208 36 252; +421 903 941 301
- 📍 Vajnorská 1317/47, 831 03, Bratislava, Slovakia
- 🌐 <https://prokuratura.otvorenesudy.sk/offices/4?!=sk>

## Judiciary

### Slovak Courts

- 📍 List of Slovak courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://obcan.justice.sk/infosud/-/infosud/zoznam/sud>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Regional Courts;
- The Supreme Court.



# SLOVENIA

Republika Slovenija



In Slovenia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### General Police Directorates

✉ gp.policija@policija.si

☎ +386 1 428 40 00

📍 1501 Ljubljana, Štefanova 2

🌐 <https://www.policija.si/eng/>

🌐 List of General Police Directorates and their contact details: [access here](#)

The IP crimes' investigation falls under the competence of **General Police Directorates**.

There are no specialised units for IP crimes investigation.

## Prosecution

### District State Prosecutor's Office in Ljubljana

✉ odtlj@dt-rs.si

☎ +386 1 252 85 00; +386 31 391 046

📍 Slovenska cesta 41, 1000 Ljubljana

🌐 <https://www.dt-rs.si/sl>

The prosecution of the IP from falls under the competencies of the **State Prosecution Offices**.

There is no specialised unit responsible for the prosecution of IP crimes. Focal point of contact for IP crime prosecutions is **District State Prosecutor's Office in Ljubljana**.

## Judiciary

### Slovenian Courts

📍 List of Slovenian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)

🌐 [https://www.sodisce.si/sodisca/sodni\\_sistem/](https://www.sodisce.si/sodisca/sodni_sistem/)

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Local Courts;
- District Courts;
- The Supreme Court.

# SPAIN

Reino de España



In Spain, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Central Brigade for the Investigation

- ✉ [cgpj.propii@policia.es](mailto:cgpj.propii@policia.es)
- ☎ +349 15 822 308; +346 61 749 014
- 📍 C/Julián González Segador S/N, 28043, Madrid
- 🌐 [https://www.policia.es/es/tupolicia\\_conocenos\\_estructura\\_dao\\_cgpoliciajudicial.php#](https://www.policia.es/es/tupolicia_conocenos_estructura_dao_cgpoliciajudicial.php#)

### Economic Crimes Group

- ☎ +349 91 451 37 05
- 📍 c/Principe de Vergara 246, Madrid
- 🌐 <https://www.guardiacivil.es/>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of the **General Commissariat of Judicial Police and Guardia Civil**.

Within the General Commissariat of the Judicial Police, the **Central Brigade for the Investigation of Specialized Crime of the Central Unit of Specialized and Violent Crime** is responsible for investigating and prosecuting IP crimes.

Within the Guardia Civil, the **Economic Crimes Group at the Technical Unit of Judicial Police (UTPJ)** investigates IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### Special Prosecutor's Office against Corruption and Organised Crime

- ✉ [fiscalia.anticorrupcion.denuncias@fiscal.es](mailto:fiscalia.anticorrupcion.denuncias@fiscal.es)
- ☎ +34 915712523
- 📍 Manuel Silvela, 4, Madrid
- 🌐 <https://www.fiscal.es/>

The prosecution of the IP from fall under the competencies of the **Special Prosecutor's Office against Corruption and Organised Crime**.

## Judiciary

### Spanish Courts

- 📍 List of Spanish courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.mjusticia.gob.es/es/justicia-espana/organizacion-justicia>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. In civil cases, the IP cases are heard by court of first instance in Alicante. There are two designated divisions of the courts of appeal in Barcelona and in Bilbao that only hear IP matters.

Criminal cases fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a four-tier system:

- Provincial Courts;
- High Courts;
- National Criminal and Administrative Court;
- The Supreme Court.



# SWEDEN

Konungariket Sverige

In Sweden, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Intellectual Property Unit (NOA-IP)

- +46 10 56 397 89
- Polhemsgatan 30, Stockholm
- <https://polisen.se/om-polisen/organisation/>

The IP crimes' investigation fall under the competence of **National Operations Department (NOA) of the Swedish Police**.

The NOA as a specialised **Intellectual Property Unit (NOA-IP)**.

## Prosecution

### Swedish Prosecution Authority

- +46 10 562 50 00
- P.O. Box 5553, 114 85 Stockholm
- <https://www.aklagare.se/>

The prosecution of the IP from fall under the competencies of the **Swedish Prosecution Authority**.

There are no units specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Swedish Courts

- List of Swedish courts and their contact details: access [here](#)
- <https://www.domstol.se/>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# **NATIONAL CONTACTS OF AFILIATED THIRD COUNTRIES**

# ALBANIA

Republika e Shqipërisë



In Albania, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Directorate for Investigation of Economic and Financial Crime

- ✉ [policiaeshtetit@asp.gov.al](mailto:policiaeshtetit@asp.gov.al)
- ☎ +355 800 9090
- 📍 Bajram Curri Blvd, Tirana 1000
- 🌐 <https://www.asp.gov.al>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of the **Directorate for Investigation of Economic and Financial Crime**, which is an integral part of the **General Directorate of the Criminal Police**.

There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### General Prosecution Services

- ✉ [info@pp.gov.al](mailto:info@pp.gov.al)
- ☎ +355 422 82000
- 📍 Rruga Qemal Stafa Nr.1, Tirana
- 🌐 [https://www.pp.gov.al/Prokuroria\\_e\\_Pergjithshme\\_en/](https://www.pp.gov.al/Prokuroria_e_Pergjithshme_en/)
- 📍 Regional prosecution offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of the **General Prosecution Services**.

There is no special unit responsible for prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Albanian Courts

- 🌐 <http://www.gjykata.gov.al/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.

# GEORGIA

Sakartvelo

In Georgia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police

- ✉ [miapr@mia.gov.ge](mailto:miapr@mia.gov.ge)
- ☎ +995 32 241 11 58
- 📍 10, G. Gulua str, Tbilisi
- 🌐 <https://police.ge/>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the National Police**.

There is no unit specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### District Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ [presscenter@pog.gov.ge](mailto:presscenter@pog.gov.ge)
- ☎ +995 32 240 53 43; +995 32 240 53 44; +995 32 240 53 45
- 📍 Gorgasali str. N24, 0114 Tbilisi
- 🌐 <https://pog.gov.ge/district-structure>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the District Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no special unit responsible for prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Georgian Courts

- 📍 List of Georgian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 [https://www.court.ge/eng\\_home](https://www.court.ge/eng_home)

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals;
- The Supreme Court.



# ICELAND

Ísland

In Iceland, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police Force

- ✉ [rls@rls.is](mailto:rls@rls.is)
- 🌐 <https://www.logreglan.is/>
- 📍 List of police districts and their contact details: [access here](#)

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **Iceland's National Police Force**.

There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### District Prosecutor

- ✉ [hersak@hersak.is](mailto:hersak@hersak.is)
- ☎ +354 4440150
- 📍 Skúlagata 17, 101 Reykjavík
- 🌐 <https://www.hersak.is/english/>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the District Prosecutor**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Icelandic Courts

- 📍 List of Icelandic courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.domstolar.is/en/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Court of Appeal; and
- The Supreme Court.



# LIECHTENSTEIN

Fürstentum Liechtenstein



In Liechtenstein, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police

- ✉ [info@landespolizei.li](mailto:info@landespolizei.li)
- ☎ +423 236 71 11
- 📍 Gewerbeweg 4, Postfach 684, FL-9490 Vaduz
- 🌐 <https://www.landespolizei.li/ueber-uns/aufgaben>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the National Police**.

There is no unit specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Public Prosecutor's Office

- ☎ [info@staatsanwaltschaft.li](mailto:info@staatsanwaltschaft.li)
- ☎ +423 236 67 96
- 📍 Heiligkreuz 49, 9490 Vaduz
- 🌐 <https://www.llv.li/kontakt/3534/staatsanwaltschaft>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Liechtenstein Courts

- 📍 List of Liechtenstein courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.gerichte.li/die-gerichte/ueber-die-gerichte>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Court of Justice;
- Court of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# MOLDOVA

Republica Moldova



In Moldova, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police

- +373 78090902
- MD-2001, mun. Chişinău, str. Tiraspol, nr. 11/1
- <https://politia.md/>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the National Police**.

There is no unit specialised in investigating IP crimes.

## Prosecution

### General Prosecutor's Office

- Online contact form: [access here](#)
- + 373 22 828 373
- MD-2001, mun. Chisinau, bd. Ştefan cel Mare şi Sfânt, 73
- <http://procuratura.md/md/newsst/>

The prosecution of IP crimes falls under the competence of **the Public Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no unit specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Moldovan Courts

- <https://moldova.md/en/content/judicial-authority>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Higher Appeals Court; and
- The Supreme Court.

# MONTENEGRO

Crna Gora



In Montenegro, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Criminal Police Station for the Department for Combatting Economic Crime

- ✉ [pomdirektoraskp@policija.me](mailto:pomdirektoraskp@policija.me)
- ☎ +382 20 245 020
- 🌐 <https://www.gov.me/mup/policija>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **Criminal Police Station for the Department for Combatting Economic Crime within the National Police**.

There is no unit specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Basic State Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ [odtpg@tuzilastvo.me](mailto:odtpg@tuzilastvo.me)
- ☎ +382 20 243 223
- 📍 ul.13 jula bb, Podgorica
- 🌐 [https://sudovi.me/otpg\\_](https://sudovi.me/otpg_)

The prosecution of the IP crimes fall under the competencies of the **Basic State Prosecutor's Office**.

A specialised prosecutor appointed by the Basic State Prosecutor's Office in Podgorica is responsible for the prosecution of IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Montenegrin Courts

- 📍 List of Montenegrin courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://sudovi.me/sdvi>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Basic Courts;
- High Courts in Podgorica and Bijelo Polje; and
- The Supreme Court.

## NORTH MACEDONIA

Република Северна  
Македонија

In North Macedonia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

### Law Enforcement Agencies

#### Ministry of Interior

- ✉ kontakt@moi.gov.mk
- ☎ +389 2 3117 222
- 📍 9 Dimche Mirchev Str., Skopje
- 🌐 <https://vlada.mk/node/17967?ln=en-gb>

#### Customs Administration

- ☎ +389 2 3 116 188; +389 2 3 293 900
- 📍 Ул., „Лазар Личеноски“ бр.13 – 1000, Skopje 1000
- 🌐 <https://customs.gov.mk/index.php/mk/>

IP crimes investigations fall under the competence of **Ministry of Interior** or **Customs Administration**.

There are no specialised units on IP crimes' investigations.

### Prosecution

#### Public Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ jorm@jorm.org.mk
- ☎ +389 76 304 986
- 📍 Кеј Димитар Влахов бб, 1000 Skopje
- 🌐 <https://jorm.gov.mk/>
- 📍 List of Basic Public Prosecutor's Officer and their contacts: [access here](#)

IP crime prosecution falls under the jurisdiction of **the Basic Public Prosecutor's Offices**.

There are no units specialised in IP crimes.

### Judiciary

#### North Macedonian Courts

- 📍 List of North Macedonian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <http://www.vsrn.mk/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- First Instance Courts;
- Courts of Appeals;
- The Supreme Court.

# NORWAY

Kongeriket Norge

In Norway, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Police districts

- 📍 List of police districts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.politiet.no/en/rad/okonomisk-kriminal-itet/>

IP crimes investigations fall under the competence of regional **police districts**.

There are no specialised units on IP crimes' investigation.

## Prosecution

### Økokrim

- ✉ [post.okokrim@politiet.no](mailto:post.okokrim@politiet.no)
- ☎ + 47 23 29 10 00
- 📍 Postboks 2096 Vika, 0125 Oslo
- 🌐 <https://www.okokrim.no/?cat=547175>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the jurisdiction of **Økokrim**, which is the leading body in the police and prosecuting authority for combating economic and environmental crime.

## Judiciary

### Norwegian Courts

- 📍 List of Norwegian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.domstol.no/no/finn-domstol/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals;
- The Supreme Court.

# SERBIA

Република Србија



In Serbia, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Directorate of Police

- ✉ [info@mup.gov.rs](mailto:info@mup.gov.rs)
- ☎ +381 11 274 0000
- 📍 Bulevar Mihajla Pupina 2a, 11000 Novi Beograd
- 🌐 <http://mup.rs/wps/portal/sr/direkcija-policije/ojdpp>
- 📍 List of regional offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of **the Directorate of Police**.

There is no unit specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Criminal Department of Republic Public Prosecutor's Office

- ✉ [kabinetrjt@rjt.gov.rs](mailto:kabinetrjt@rjt.gov.rs)
- ☎ +381 11 3613 702
- 📍 Nemanjina 22-26, 11000 Belgrade
- 🌐 <http://www.rjt.gov.rs/en/>

The prosecution of the IP crimes fall under the competencies of the **Criminal Department of Republic Public Prosecutor's Office**.

There is no specialised responsible for the prosecution of IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Serbian Courts

- 📍 List of Serbian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.vk.sud.rs/en/judicial-power>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Basic Courts;
- Higher Courts; and
- The Supreme Court.



# SWITZERLAND

Schweizerische  
Eidgenossenschaft/  
Confédération suisse/  
Confederazione Svizzera

In Switzerland, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Cantonal Police

- 📍 List of Cantonal Police Offices and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://polizei.ch/en>

IP crime investigations fall under the competence of the **Cantonal Police**.

There are no units specialised in IP crime investigations.

## Prosecution

### Office of the Attorney General

- ☎ +41 58 462 45 79
- 📍 Bundesanwaltschaft, Guisanplatz 1, CH-3003 Bern
- 🌐 <https://www.bundesanwaltschaft.ch/mpc/de/home.html>

IP crime investigations are undertaken by the **cantonal prosecution service** or by the **Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland**, depending on the severity of the case.

There are no units specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Swiss Courts

- 📍 List of Swiss courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.ch.ch/en/political-system/operation-and-organisation-of-switzerland/courts/>

There are no courts specialised in IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the criminal court system. Criminal courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- Cantonal Criminal Courts;
- Cantonal Courts of Appeals; and
- Federal Criminal Court.



# UNITED KINGDOM

In the United Kingdom, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### Police Intellectual Property Crime Unit (PIPCU)

- ✉ Online referral form to PIPCU: [access here](#)
- 📍 General contact details of City of London Police: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.cityoflondon.police.uk/police-forces/city-of-london-police/areas/city-of-london/about-us/about-us/pipcu/>

In the United Kingdom, general rules of jurisdiction apply in investigations of IP crimes.

IP crimes are investigated by the **Police Intellectual Property Crime Unit (PIPCU)**, which is a department of the City of London Police.

## Prosecution

### England and Wales: Specialist Fraud Division (SFD)

- ✉ [specialistfraud.vrrandcomplaints@cps.gov.uk](mailto:specialistfraud.vrrandcomplaints@cps.gov.uk)
- 📍 102 Petty France, London, SW1H 9EA
- 🌐 <https://www.cps.gov.uk/specialist-fraud-division>

IP crime prosecution falls under general jurisdiction rules.

#### England and Wales:

The prosecution of a wide range of the IP crimes falls under the jurisdiction of the **Specialist Fraud Division (SFD) of the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS)** (prosecution service of England and Wales).

#### Northern Ireland:

The **Public Prosecution Service of Northern Ireland (PSSNI)** (prosecution service of Northern Ireland) has two separate departments that deal with IP-related casework: **Fraud and Departmental (F&D)** prosecutes counterfeit product cases such as trademark of clothing and motor accessories), and **Central Section** prosecutes cases involving greater values, cryptocurrencies and any cases with links to serious and organised crime.

#### Scotland:

The **Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service (COPFS)** (prosecution service of Scotland) does not have a specialised department that deals with the prosecution of IP crime.

### Northern Ireland: Fraud and Departmental (F&D)

- ✉ [info@ppsni.gov.uk](mailto:info@ppsni.gov.uk) (mark it for the attention of “Fraud and Departmental section”)
- ☎ +44 28 9089 7100
- 📍 Chambers, 93 Chichester St, Belfast BT1 3JR
- 🌐 <https://www.ppsni.gov.uk/our-structure>

### Scotland: Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

- ✉ [\\_EnquiryPoint@copfs.gov.uk](mailto:_EnquiryPoint@copfs.gov.uk)
- ☎ +44 300 020 3000
- 📍 25 Chambers Street, Edinburgh EH1 1LA
- 🌐 <https://www.copfs.gov.uk/>

# UNITED KINGDOM

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## Judiciary

### England and Wales

- 📍 List of Magistrate courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 Information on Crown Court: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.judiciary.uk/structure-of-courts-and-tribunals-system/>

### Northern Ireland: Lady Chief Justice's Office

- ✉️ [LCJOffice@judiciaryni.uk](mailto:LCJOffice@judiciaryni.uk)
- ☎️ +44 28 9072 4616; +44 28 9072 4615
- 📍 Chichester Street, Belfast, BT1 3JF
- 🌐 <https://www.judiciaryni.uk/>

### Scotland

- 📍 List of courts and their contacts: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/home>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime falls under the general court system. The IP cases are heard by the courts in England, Wales, Northern Ireland and Scotland.

#### England and Wales:

Criminal IP cases in England and Wales are heard either in the **Magistrates Courts** or the **Crown Courts**, depending on the severity of the offence.

#### Northern Ireland:

Criminal IP cases in Northern Ireland are heard either in the **Magistrates Courts** or the **Crown Courts**, depending on the severity of the offence.

#### Scotland:

Criminal IP cases in Scotland may be heard either in the **Sheriff Court** or the **High Court of Justiciary**, depending on the severity of the offence.



# UKRAINE

Україна

In Ukraine, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Police

- ✉ info@mup.gov.rs
- ☎ +38 44 254 78 55
- 📍 Academician Bogomolets St., 10, Kyiv, 01601
- 🌐 <https://www.npu.gov.ua/>

The investigation of IP crimes falls under the competence of **National Police**.

There are no specialised units on IP crimes' investigation.

## Prosecution

### Office of the Prosecutor General

- ✉ Ogp.dep09@gmail.com; indep@gp.gov.ua
- ☎ +38 044 596 73 06
- 📍 вул. Різницька, 13/15, м. Київ, 01011
- 🌐 <https://en.gp.gov.ua/ua/posts/kontakti-dlya-zmi>

The investigation and prosecution of IP crimes fall under the jurisdiction of **the Office of the Prosecutor General** and regional offices.

There are no units specialised in prosecuting IP crimes.

## Judiciary

### Ukrainian Courts

- 📍 List of Ukrainian courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://court.gov.ua/sudova-vlada/sudy/>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised in a three-tier system:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals; and
- The Supreme Court.



# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

In the US, general provisions of criminal procedure apply to the investigation and prosecution of intellectual property crimes. These crimes fall under the general rules of jurisdiction.

## Law Enforcement Agencies

### National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center)

✉ IPRCenter@dhs.gov

🌐 [www.IPRCenter.gov](http://www.IPRCenter.gov)

### FBI's Criminal Investigation Division's Intellectual Property Rights Unit (IPRU)

🌐 List of FBI's field offices and their contact details: [access here](#)

### Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3)

🌐 Online complaint system: [access here](#)

🌐 <https://www.ic3.gov/>

The IP crimes' investigation fall under the competence of **National Intellectual Property Rights Coordination Center (IPR Center)**. The IPR Center is an interagency task force led by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Homeland Security Investigations ("ICE-HSI"). The IPR Center also works closely with the Department of Justice through the Criminal Division's Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section.

The **Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Criminal Investigation Division's Intellectual Property Rights Unit (IPRU)** oversees its national intellectual property rights program, which includes dedicated FBI Special Agents responsible for investigating IP crimes.

**Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3)** is a partnership between the FBI, the National White Collar Crime Center, and the Department of Justice's Bureau of Justice Assistance.

## Prosecution

### US Attorneys

🌐 List of the US Attorneys: [access here](#)

### Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section (CCIPS)

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🌐 <https://www.justice.gov/criminal-ccips>

### Intellectual Property Law Enforcement Coordinators (IPLEC)

🌐 <https://www.justice.gov/criminal-ccips/overseas-work>

The prosecution of IP crimes fall under the competence of US Attorneys. Each of the 94 US Attorneys' Offices throughout the country has at least one Assistant US Attorney who serves as a **Computer Hacking and Intellectual Property (CHIP)** coordinator.

**Computer Crime and Intellectual Property Section (CCIPS)** is a section within the Department of Justice's Criminal Division. CCIPS has a core team of expert IP prosecutors who prosecute IP crimes and help coordinate multi-district and international IP cases.

The Department of Justice's **Intellectual Property Law Enforcement Coordinators (IPLEC)** program places experienced prosecutors in high impact regions.

# UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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## Judiciary

### US federal Courts

- 📍 List of US federal courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.uscourts.gov/>

### US state Courts

- 📍 List of US state courts and their contact details: [access here](#)
- 🌐 <https://www.ncsc.org/>

There are no specialised courts on IP crimes. This type of crime fall under general court system. The general courts are organised at a federal and state level.

Federal courts:

- District Courts;
- Courts of Appeals;
- The Supreme Court.

State courts:

- Superior courts;
- State appellate courts;
- State supreme courts.





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