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## I. Background

Source: WIPO Industrial Property Statistics

#### **Growing Demand for Work Sharing**

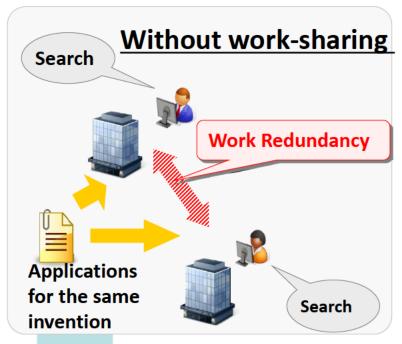
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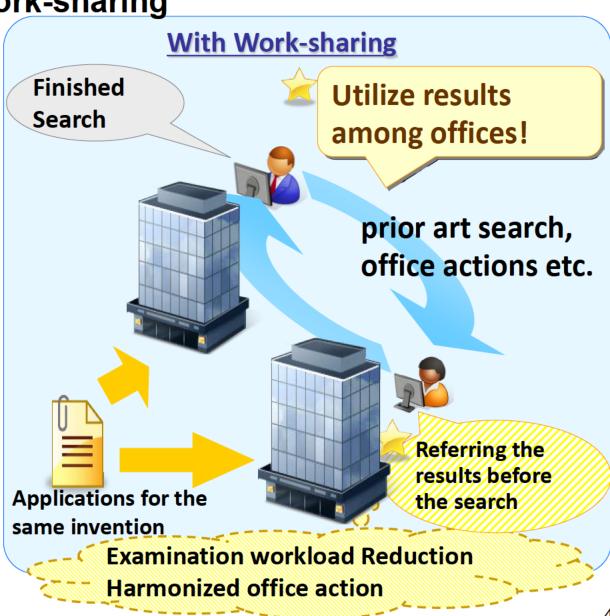
Worldwide work-sharing system

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Reduce Workload by Work-sharing





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#### Mutual exploitation of search/examination results - Dossier Access System-

