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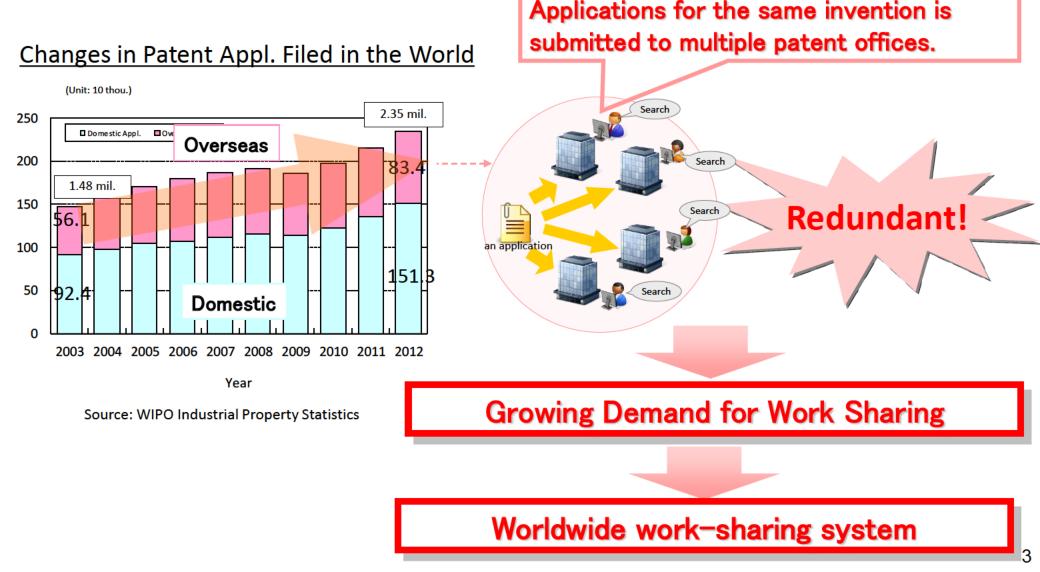
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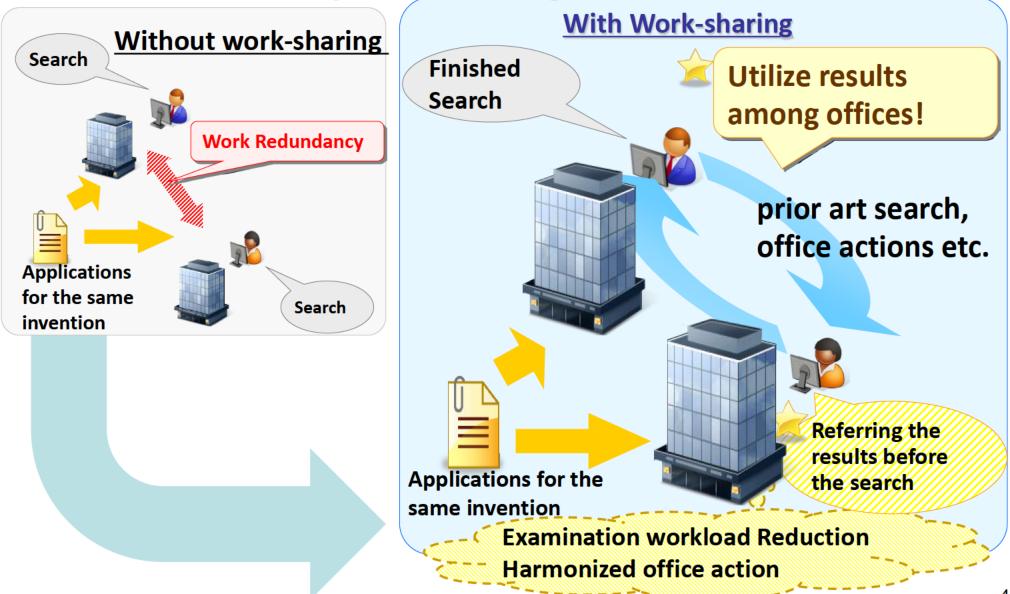
# I. Background

# **Growing Demand for Work Sharing**



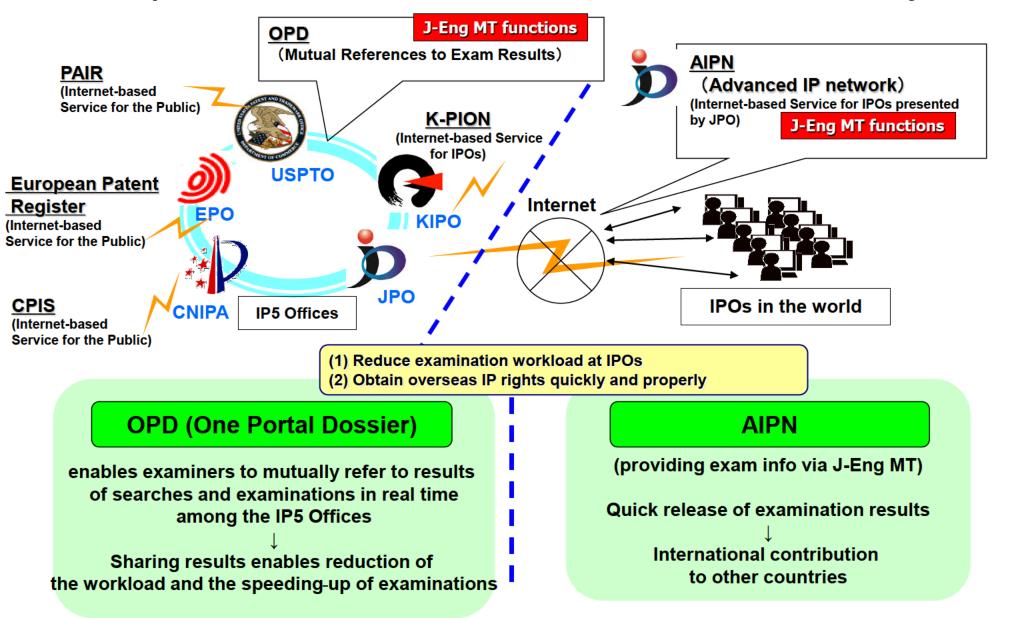
# I. Background

### **Reduce Workload by Work-sharing**



# I. Background

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



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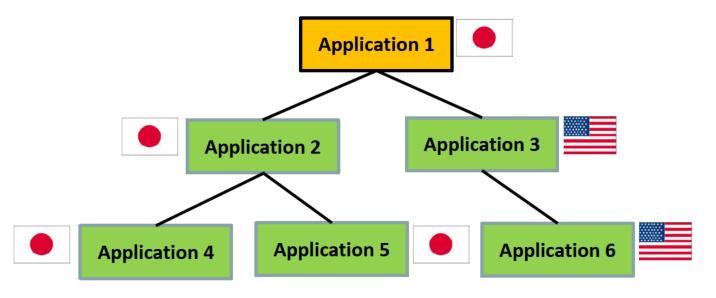
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A. What's Patent Family?

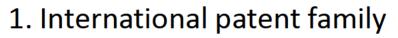
When a Patent application is filed in two or more countries based on the Paris Convention for Protection of Industrial Property, these patent applications form a "patent family."



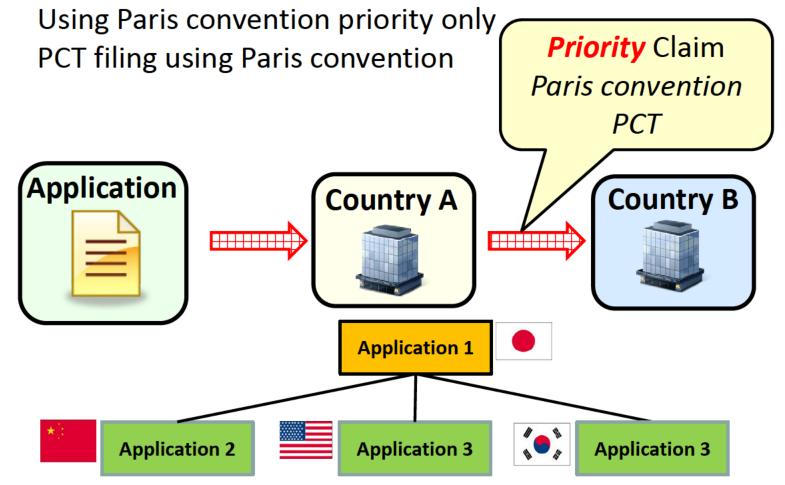
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# **II. Patent Family**

# B. Two types of patent family -1/2



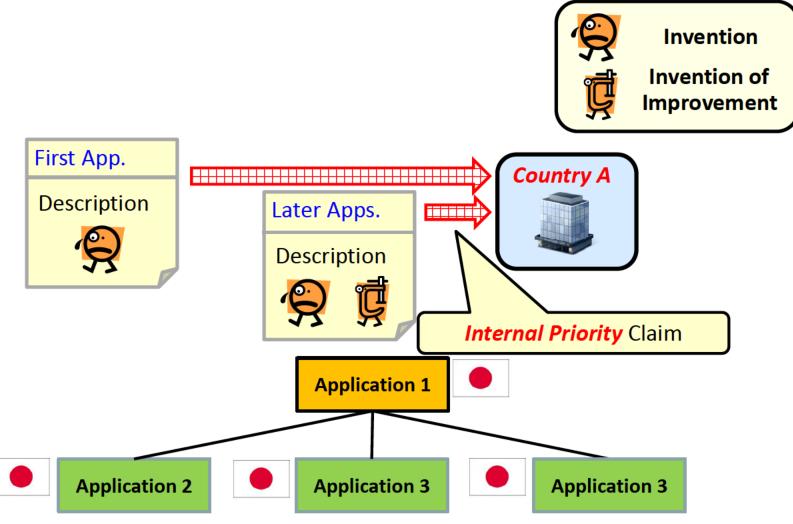
a first application is filed abroad:



# II. Patent Family

# B. Types of patent family -2/2

2. Domestic family (internal priority, divisional application)



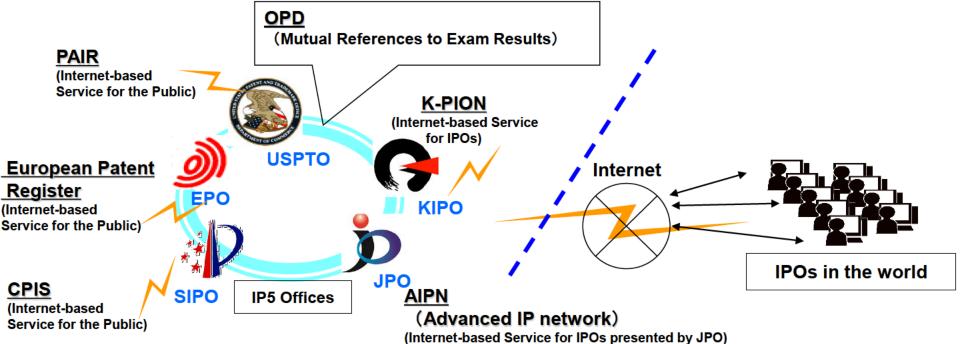
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## A. Overview of Sources

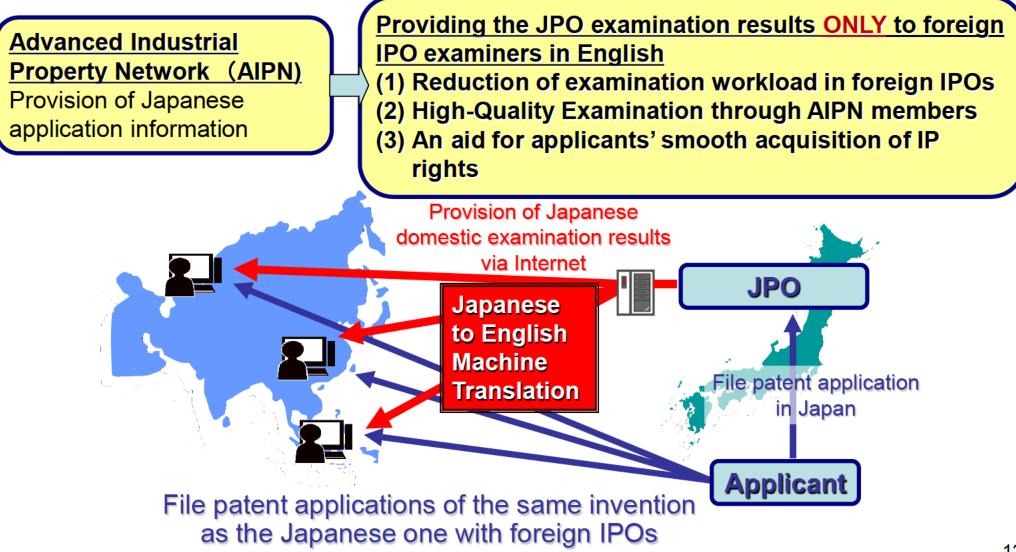


- AIPN (JP) <u>https://aipn.j-platpat.inpit.go.jp/i0100</u>
- Patentscope (WIPO) <u>http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en/search.jsf</u>
- US-pair (US) http://portal.uspto.gov/external/portal/pair
- European Patent Register (EP)
   <u>https://register.epo.org/espacenet/regviewer</u>

 Other countries DPMAregister (Germany), K-PION(Korea), CPIS(China)

#### **B. AIPN: Advanced Industrial Property Network**

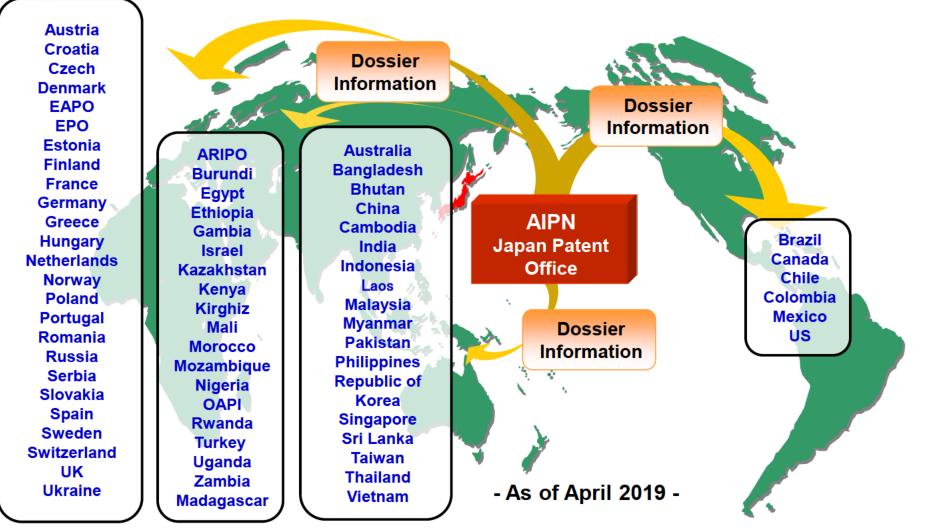
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# **B. AIPN**

#### 1. Overview of the AIPN - 2/4

After the AIPN started providing service on 12 October 2004, now it is used by 69 IP Offices all over the world.



# **B. AIPN**

1. Overview of the AIPN - 3/4

# Services of the AIPN

- Dossier Information
  - <u>Specification</u>, <u>Office Actions</u>, and other <u>Prosecution documents</u>
  - Update after either an application is published or the application is registered as a patent
- Legal Status of the Application and Prosecution history

Update every week\*

- <u>Cited Documents</u> / <u>Patent Family</u> Information
  - Update every week\* / at any time

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# **B. AIPN**

1. Overview of the AIPN - 4/4

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# C. Patentscope

- 1. Overview
  - PATENTSCOPE is a service provided by the WIPO
  - Official publication platform of the PCT system
    - Patent documents
    - File inspection for the international phase
      - ISRs
      - WOs
      - IPRP chapter I/II
      - Priority documents
    - International legal status
    - National phase entry data (only for selected IPOs contributing data)

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2. Access to File inspection for international phase - 1/5

# PATENTSCOPE

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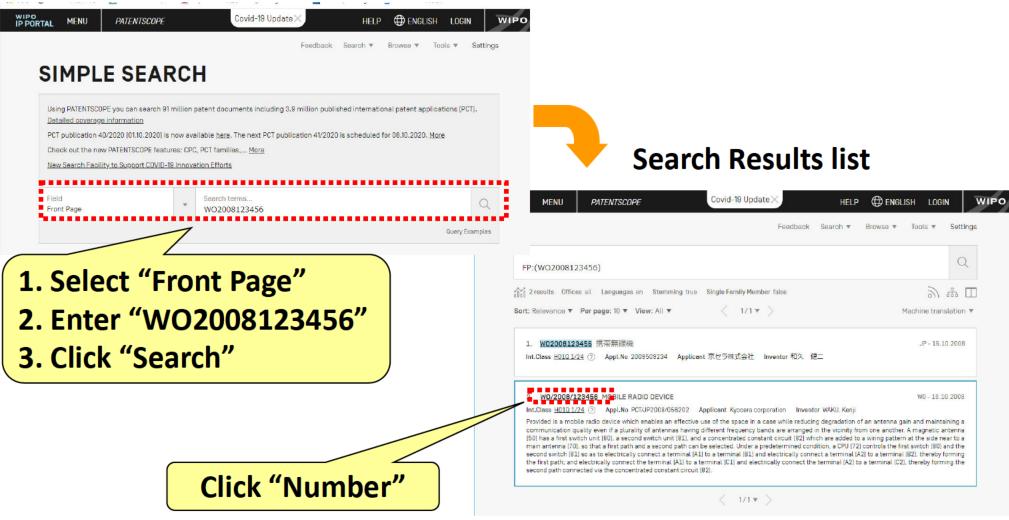
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2. Access to File inspection for international phase - 2/5



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#### C. Patentscope

2. Access to File inspection for international phase - 5/5

#### International Search Report (ISR)

	INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT	international applicati	on No.
			8/056202
A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER H01Q1/24(2006.01)i, C06K19/07(2006.01)i, G06K19/077(2006.01)i, H01Q1/52 (2006.01)i, H01Q7/00(2006.01)i, H01Q21/28(2006.01)i, H04B1/38(2006.01)i			
According to Int	ernational Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC		
B. FIELDS SE	ARCHED		
Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) H01Q1/24, G06K19/07, G06K19/077, H01Q1/52, H01Q7/00, H01Q21/28, H04B1/38			
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	ase consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where p	racticable, search terr	ns used)
C. DOCUME	VTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT		
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant	nt passages	Relevant to claim No.
A	JP 2006-504308 A (Nokia Corp.), 02 February, 2006 (02.02.06), Full text; all drawings & US 2004/0135729 Al & WO 2004/038857 & CA 2501221 A	Al	1-13
A	JP 2007-043410 A (NEC Saitama, Ltd.), 15 February, 2007 (15.02.07), Full text; all drawings (Family: none)		1-13
A	JP 2006-304039 A (Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.), 02 November, 2006 (02.11.06), Full text; all drawings (Family: none)		8,9
Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family arnex.			
<ul> <li>Special categories of cited documents:</li> <li>"A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance.</li> <li>"E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date or priority chain.</li> <li>"E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing "X" document of particular relevance: the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an investive step when the document is taken alone.</li> </ul>			

#### Written Opinion (WO)

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	ent under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novel lanations supporting such statement	ty, inventive step or industrial applicability;
Statement		
Novelty (N)	Claime 1-13	YES
		1135 NO
Inventive step (IS)		YES
	Claims	NO
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims 1-13	YES
		NO
Citations and explanations:		
The inven	tion as in claims 1-13	is neither disclosed in
any of the doc	uments cited in the ISR	nor would it be obvious
to a person sk	illed in the art.	

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#### Cited from WO 2008/123456 A1

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- A. What are the ISR , the WOISA, and the IPER ?
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#### A. What are the ISR , the WOISA, and the IPER ?

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# A. What are the ISR , the WOISA, and the IPER ?

#### International Search Report (ISR)

- > The results of the international search are recorded in the International Search Report.
- > The Search Report is published by the International Bureau.
- The Search Report serves as a basis for any examination of the International application by the designated Offices.

(PCT Guidelines 16.01)

#### Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority (WOISA)

(International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter I) (IPRP(I)))

Its primary role is to identify whether or not the claimed invention appears to be novel, involve an inventive step (be non-obvious) and be industrially applicable.

(PCT Guidelines 17.02)

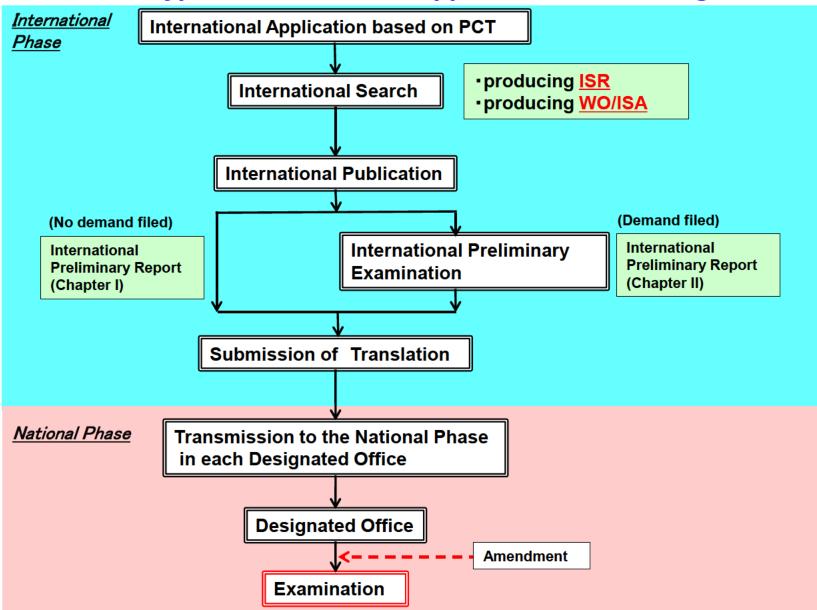
International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER)

(International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter II) (IPRP(II)))

Assuming that international preliminary examination is demanded, an IPER is drawn up at the end of the process of examination, taking into account amendments or observations that the applicant has made during the process.

(PCT Guidelines 17.08)

#### Flowchart of Typical International Application Processing



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# **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

- Front Page
  - Basic information
    - International application number
    - International Filing Date
    - Earliest Priority Date
    - Name of the applicant

Applicant's or agent's file reference 5678H	FOR FURTHER ACTION as we	an multiple subare evaluable item 5 helen	
International application No. PCT/JP2013/999999	International filing date(day/month/year) 01.02.2013	) (Earliest) Priority Date (day/month/year) 01.02.2012	
Applicant PATENT CORPORATION			

# **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

Basis of the Report

Certain claims were found to be unsearchable

Unity of invention is lacking

#### . Basis of the report

a. With regard to the language, the international search was carried out on the basis of:

✓ the international application in the language in which it was filed.

a translation of the international application into which is the language of

a translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).

- b. This international search report has been established taking into account the rectification of an obvious mistake authorized by or notified to this Authority under Rule 91 (Rule 43.6*bis*(a)).
  - With regard to any nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosed in the international application, see Box No. I
  - ✓ Certain claims were found unsearchable (see Box No. Ⅱ).
  - ✓ Unity of invention is lacking (see Box No. Ⅲ).

# **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

- Observation where certain claims were found to be unsearchable.
  - The international application relates to a subject matter for which the ISA is not required to search (PCT Article 17(2)(a)(i))
    - Scientific and mathematical theories
    - Plant or animal varieties or essentially biological processes for the production of plants and animals, other than microbiological processes and the products of such processes
    - Schemes, rules or methods of doing business, performing purely mental acts, or playing games
    - Mere presentation of information
    - Computer programs to the extent that the ISA is not equipped to search prior art concerning such programs
  - The description, the claims, or the drawings fail to comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that a meaningful search cannot be carried out. (PCT Article 17(2)(a)(ii))

Claim3

Claim4

> Multiple dependent claim referring to other multiple dependent claim (JPO allows)

Searchable MAY NOT required to search

Claim5

Claim6



## **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

	Observation where certain claims were found to be unsearchable.
Box No.	II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)
This inte	ernational search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:
1. 🔽	Claims Nos.: <sup>8</sup> because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely: The subject matter of claim 8 relates to <u>a method of doing business</u> , which does not require an international search by the International Searching Authority in accordance with PCT Article 17(2)(a)(i) and Rule 39.1(iii).
2.	Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:
3.	Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

# **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

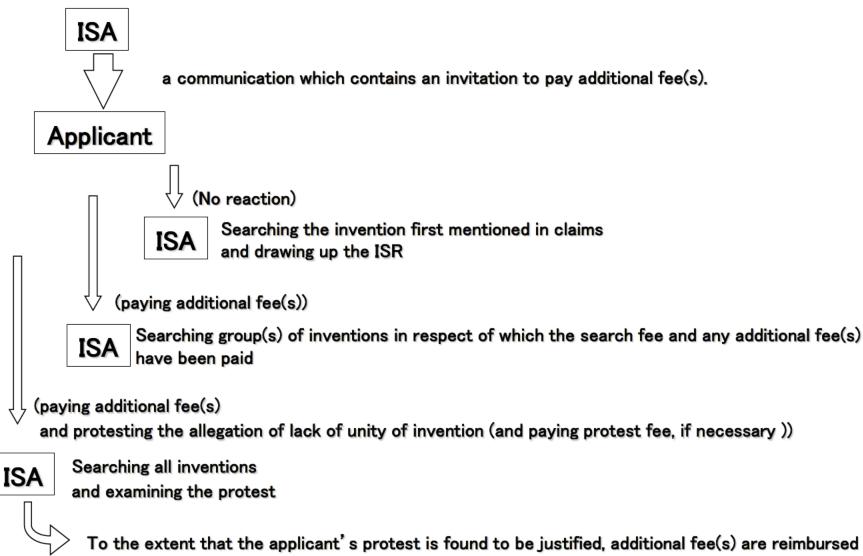
#### Lack of Unity of Invention

- The international application shall relate to one invention only, or to a group of inventions so linked as to form a single general inventive concept ("requirement of unity of invention").
- 2. If the ISA determines that the international application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention, it shall invite the applicant to pay additional fees.

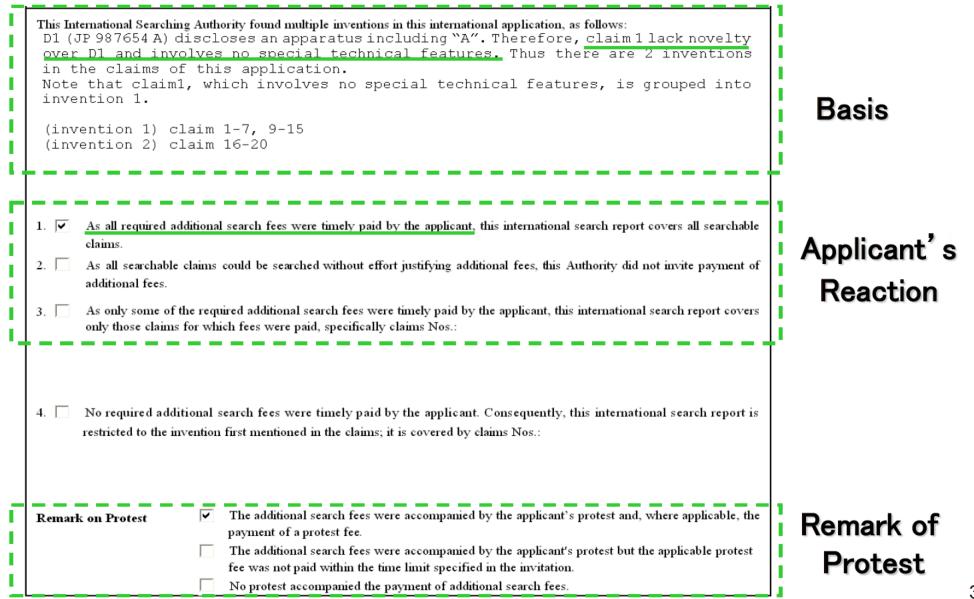
#### Example

- Claim1 : A process of manufacturing an apparatus comprising steps A and B
- Claim2 : Apparatus specifically designed for carrying out step A
- Claim3 : Apparatus specifically designed for carrying out <u>step B</u>

If the ISA decides that the international application does not comply with the requirement of unity of invention:



#### Observation where unity of invention is lacking



# **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

- Classification and Fields searched Not always identical
- Minimum documentation Searched
- Documentation Searched Other than Minimum Documentation
- Electronic Database Consulted

A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

Int.Cl. G06Q50/00(2012.01)i

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

Int.Cl. G06Q50/00, G06Q10/00

Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Published examined utility model applications of Japan 1922-1996 Published unexamined utility model applications of Japan 1971-2005 Registered utility model specifications of Japan 1996-2005 Published registered utility model applications of Japan 1994-2005

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

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## **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

#### Documentation

Citation category, citation of the document, identification of relevant claim numbers

#### Citation of the Documentation

WIPO Standard ST.14

## Patent Family

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT						
Category*	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.				
X Y	JP 2010-987654 A (PCT SYSTEM CORP) 2010.10.07, paragraphs [0026]-[0030]	1-7 9-13				
A	& US 6543210 A, column 5, lines 5-30	14-20				
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## **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

#### Patent Family Annex

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JP 2010-987654 A	2010.10.07	US 6543210 A
JP 2009-111111 A	2009.09.28	WO 2007/222222 A1
US 0123456 B1	2013.02.15	DE 1123456 A1 FR 2123456 A1
JP 4321567 B2	2006.02.20	Family: none
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#### Category Code

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	E	<ul> <li>"E" earlier application or patent but published on or after the international filing date</li> <li>"L" document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other</li> <li>"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone</li> <li>"X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone</li> </ul>
$\succ$	0	special reason (as specified) "O" document referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or other
	P	means being obvious to a person skilled in the art "P" document published prior to the international filing date but later than "&" document member of the same patent family the priority date claimed
$\succ$	L	Data of mailing of the international search report

#### (WIPO Standards ST.14 http://www.wipo.int/standards/en/pdf/03-14-01.pdf)

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Y	JP 2009-111111 A (INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY INC) 2009.09.28, Claim 1, Figure 1 & WO 2007/222222 A1	9-13				

## **B. International Search Report(ISR)**

#### Relevant to claim numbers

Relationship Between Documentation and Claims

- Each citation should include a reference to the claims to which it relates.
- It is also possible for the same document to represent a different category with respect to different claims.

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT					
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## C. Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority(WOISA)

#### Front Page

## Basic information

- The international application #
- Name of the applicant
- The international filing date
- The claimed priority date

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1.	This o	pinion contains indications relating to the following items:				
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		Box No. II	Priority			
		Box No. III	Non-establishment of opinion with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability			
		Box No. IV	Lack of unity of invention			
	$\boxtimes$	Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Rule 43bis.1(a)(i) with regard to novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement			
		Box No. VI	Certain documents cited			
		Box No. VII	Certain defects in the international application			
	$\boxtimes$	Box No. VIII	Certain observations on the international application			

#### C. Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority(WOISA)

#### Basis of the Written Opinion

Bo	x No.	I Basis of this opinion	
1.		regard to the language, this opinion has been established on the basis of: the international application in the language in which it was filed.	
		a translation of the international application into translation furnished for the purposes of international search (Rules 12.3(a) and 23.1(b)).	which is the language of a

C. Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority(WOISA)

We need to consider whether or not the priority claim is valid.

Box No. II Priority

Priority

- 1. The validity of the priority claim has not been considered because the International Searching Authority does not have in its possession a copy of the earlier application whose priority has been claimed or, where required, a translation of that earlier application. This opinion has nevertheless been established on the assumption that the relevant date (Rules 43*bis*.1 and 64.1) is the claimed priority date.
- 2. This opinion has been established as if no priority had been claimed due to the fact that the priority claim has been found invalid (Rules 43*bis*.1 and 64.1). Thus for the purposes of this opinion, the international filing date indicated above is considered to be the relevant date.
- 3. Additional observations, if necessary:

#### Non-Establishment of Opinion

pplicable have not been examined in respect of:	
the entire international application.	
claims Nos. 8	
because:	
the said international application, or the said claims Nos. 8	
relate to the following subject matter which does not require an international s	earch (specify):
The subject matter of claim 8 relates to <u>a method of do</u>	ing business, which does no
require an international search by the Internation	nal Searching Authority i
accordance with PCT Article 17(2)(a)(i) and Rule 39.1	l(iii).
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#### Lack of Unity of Invention

Box No. IV Lack of unity of invention	
<ol> <li>In response to the invitation (Form PCT/ISA/206) to pay additional fees the applicant has,</li> <li>paid additional fees.</li> <li>paid additional fees under protest and, where applicable, the protest fee.</li> <li>paid additional fees under protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid.</li> <li>not paid additional fees.</li> </ol>	within the applicable time limit: Applicant's Reaction
2. This Authority found that the requirement of unity of invention is not complied with and pay additional fees.	chose not to invite the applicant to
3. This Authority considers that the requirement of unity of invention in accordance with Rule 13	.1, 13.2 and 13.3 is
<ul><li>complied with.</li><li>not complied with for the following reasons:</li></ul>	Basis
D1 (JP 987654 A) discloses an apparatus including "A". Therefore over D1 and involves no special technical features. Thus ther the claims of this application. Note that claim1, which involves no special technical featurinvention 1.	e are 2 inventions in
(invention 1) claim 1-7, 9-15 (invention 2) claim 16-20	
4. Consequently, this opinion has been established in respect of the following parts of the interna	ational application:
all parts. Image: the parts relating to claims Nos. $1-7$ , $9-20$	Result

#### C. Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority(WOISA)

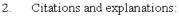
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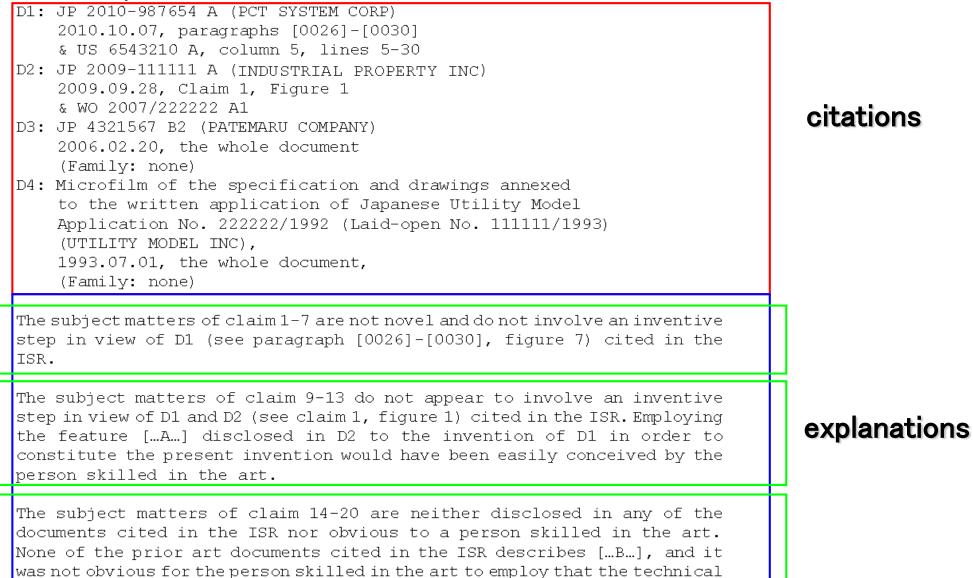
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1. Statement				
Novelty (N)	Claims Claims	9-20 1-7	YES NO	
Inventive step (IS)	Claims Claims	14-20 1-7,9-13	YES NO	
Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims Claims	1-7,9-20	YES NO	

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Claims 1-7	No	No	Yes
Claims 9-13	Yes	No	Yes
Claims 14-20	Yes	Yes	Yes

feature [...B...], which presents advantageous effects in that [...C...].

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- Certain Defects in the International Application
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The following defects in the form or contents of the international application have been noted: The term [...D...] used in the description (page 12, line 12) is not a technical term.

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- Certain Observations on the International Application
  - the <u>clarity</u> of the claims, the description, and the drawing.
  - The question whether the claims are fully supported by the description.

Box No. VIII Certain observations on the international application

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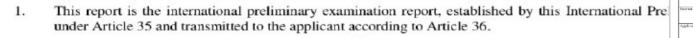
Fig.1 is unclear. That is, it does not adequately indicate the invention of claim 7.

- A. What are the ISR , the WOISA, and the IPER ?
- B. International Search Report(ISR)
- C. Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority(WOISA)
- **D. International Preliminary Examination Report (IPER)**

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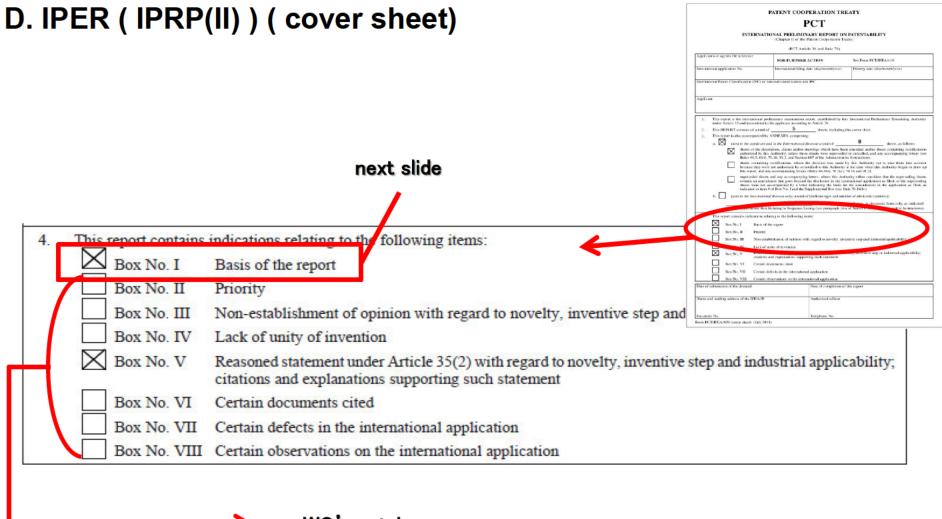
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