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Applicants or patent attorneys

- receive your reasons for refusal, and
- think about what to do next (how to overcome the reasons, etc.)

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Reasons for refusal **must be clear** because,

- applicants or patent attorneys need to understand them
- other offices around the world may well take into account them.

### Assessment of an inventive step

- What is disclosed in the prior art document ?
- What is the difference between the claimed invention and the invention disclosed in the prior art document ?
- How can a person skilled in the art easily arrive at the claimed invention based on the prior art ?