

The Patent Prosecution Highway

Views from the JPO

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Overview

I. PPH Statistics of the JPO

II. Advantages of the PPH

III. Future of the PPH

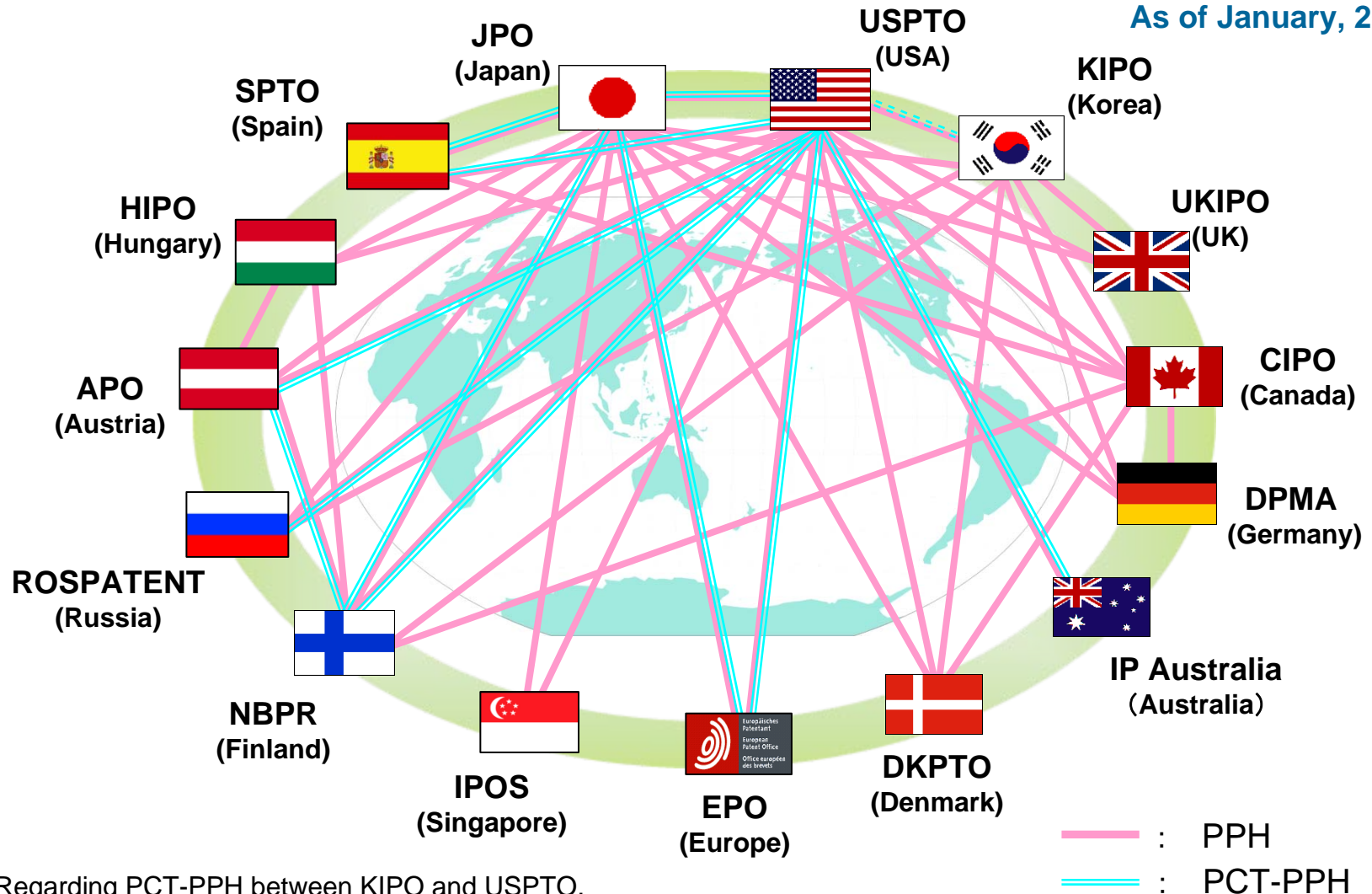
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Expanding PPH network















As of January, 2011









※Regarding PCT-PPH between KIPO and USPTO,
 KIPO(ISA/IPEA)→USPTO program has launched.
 USPTO(ISA/IPEA)→KIPO program has not launched yet.

Number of PPH / PCT-PPH requests

Conventional PPH

OFF		OSF	Number of PPH requests
	USPTO		1014
	KIPO		113
	UKIPO		24
	DPMA		607
	DKPTO		3
	NBPR		3
	ROSPATENT		3
	APO		0
	IPOS		0
	HIPO		0
	CIPO		0
	EPO		16
	SPTO		0

PCT-PPH

OFF		OSF	Number of PCT-PPH requests
	USPTO		3
	EPO		144
	NBPR		0
	SPTO		0
	JPO		182

*As of Dec. 31, 2010 5

Top 10 PPH users

USPTO → JPO

RANKING	Applicant
1	Microsoft Corporation
2	International Business Machines Corporation
3	General Electronic Company
4	SanDisk Corporation
5	Apple Inc.
6	Altera Corporation
7	Honda Motor Co.,Ltd.
8	GE Medical Systems Global Technology Company LLC.
9	Cree Inc.
9	Applied Materials Inc.

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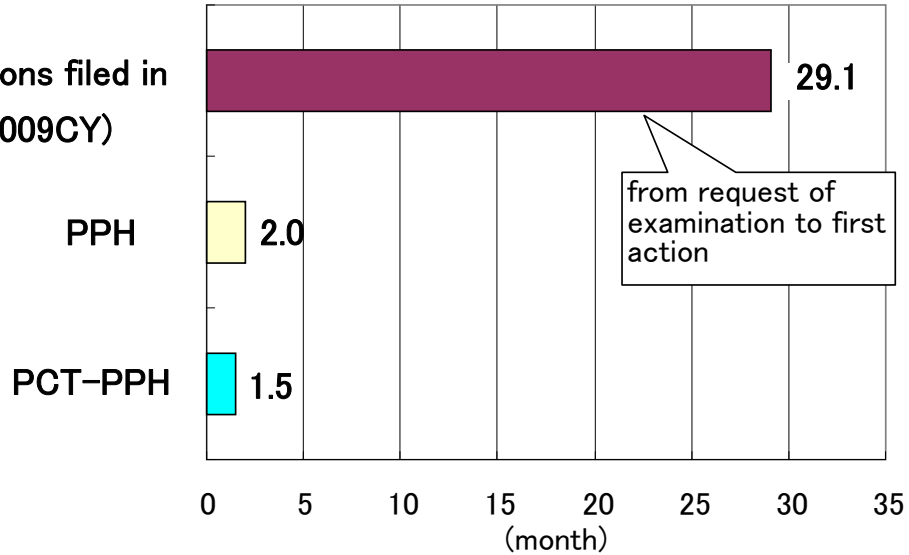
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Average pendency from PPH request (substantial examination)

JPO as OSF

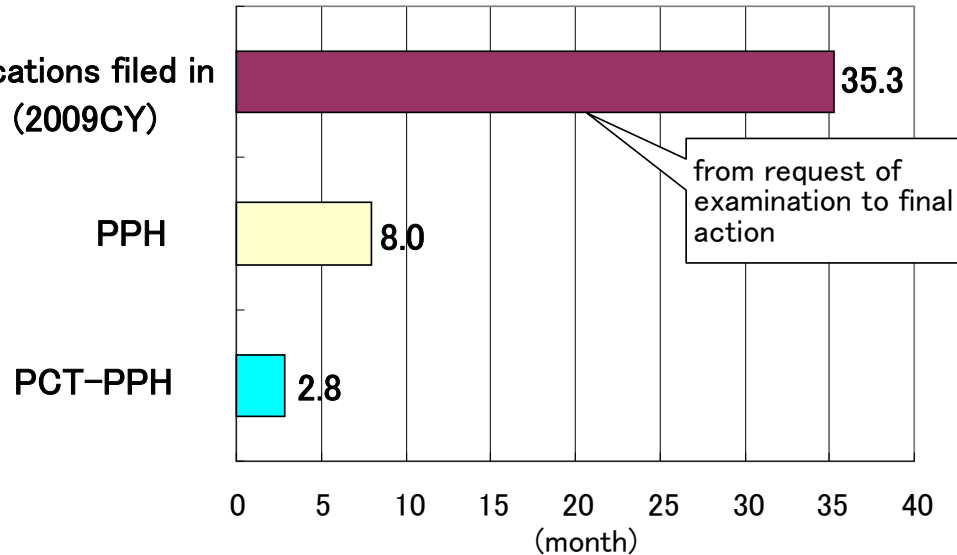
To first action

All applications filed in
the JPO (2009CY)



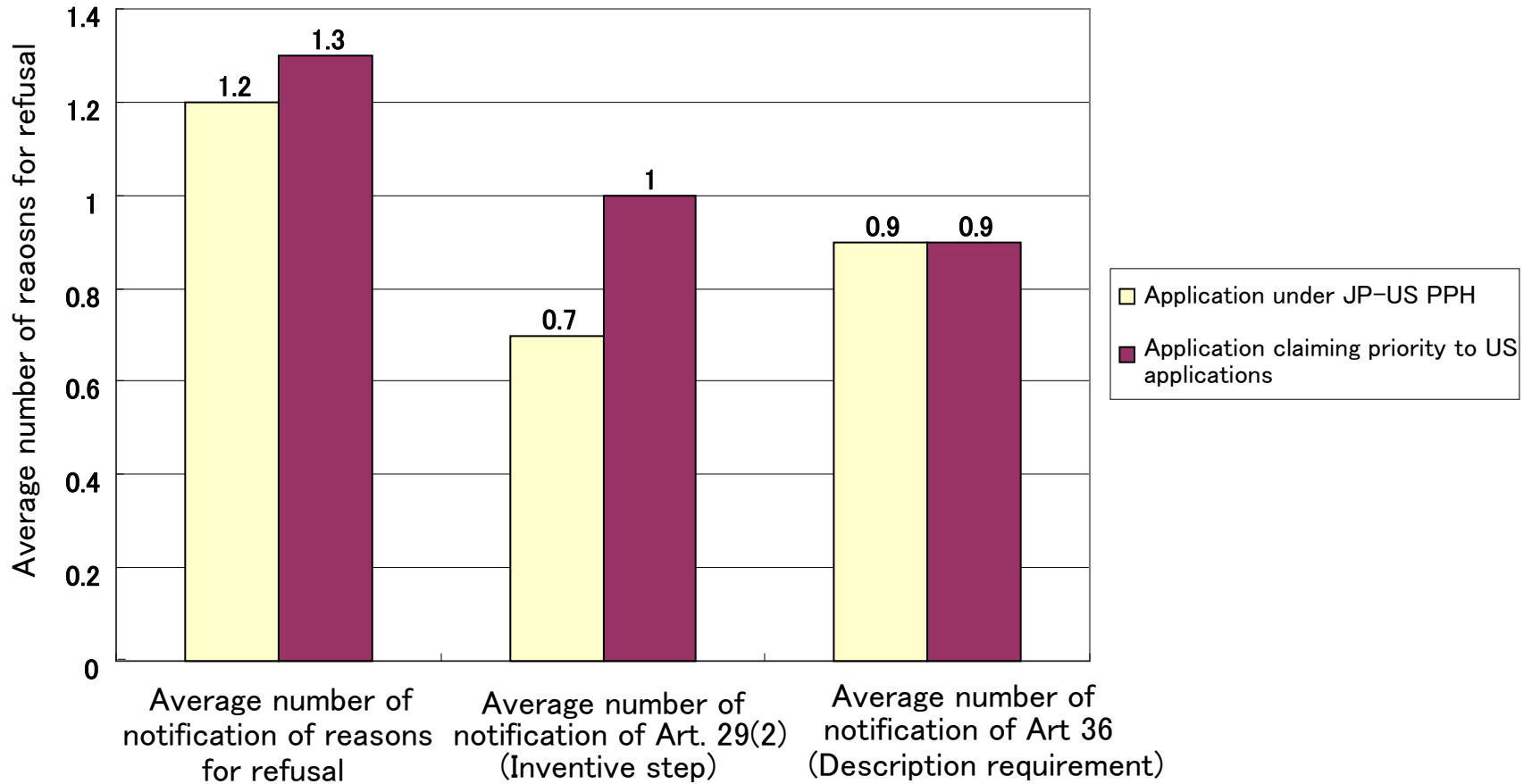
To final action

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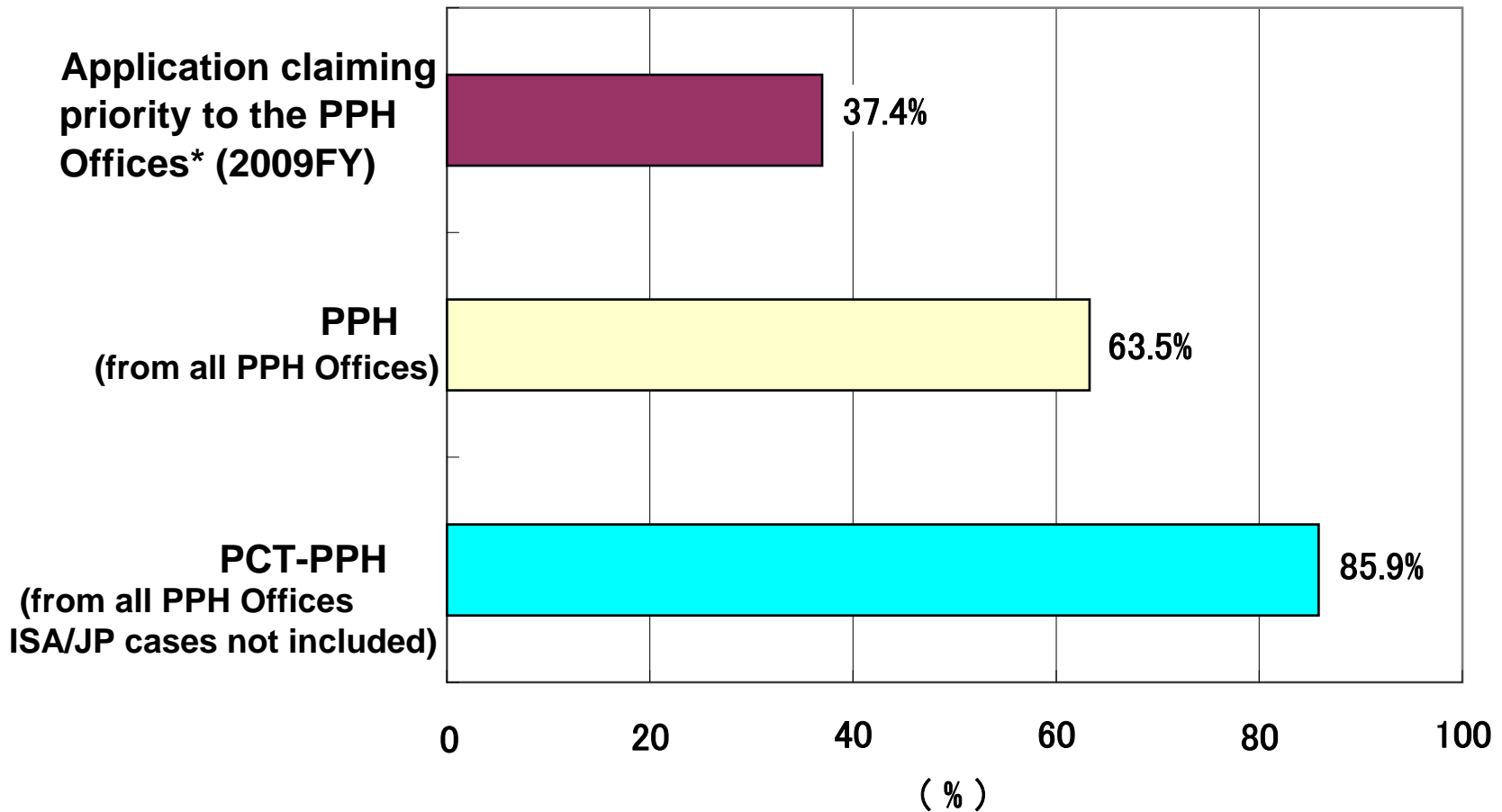
Average number of office actions

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Grant rate

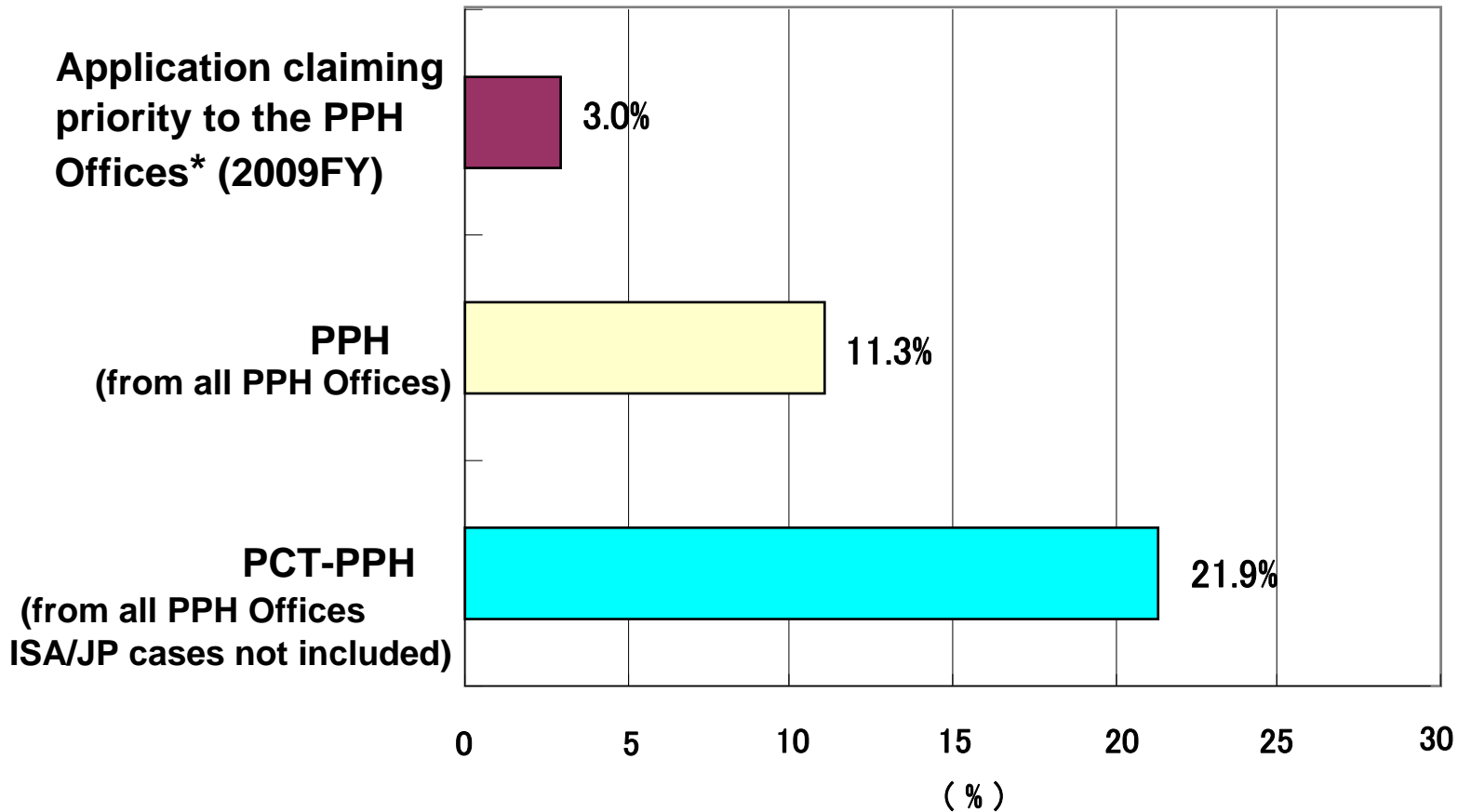
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*PPH Offices : USPTO, DPMA, DKPTO, EPO, NBPR, KIPO, UKIPO, ROSPATENT 10

First action allowance rate

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Future of the PPH

- Discussion at the 3rd Plurilateral PPH Working Level Meeting-

Main topics

- 1. Relaxing priority requirements**
- 2. Simplifying / Streamlining filing requirements**
- 3. Providing users information of the different practices between Offices**
- 4. Enhancing user outreach**

Thank you for your attention.