Global Dossier

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Active Part

Global patent

Cross Filing

at IP5 level

Passive Part

Global patent

File Inspection

at IP5 level

Important deliverable of IP5 co-operation to public





"Active " part of Global Dossier

Active Part of Global Dossier - under discussion at IP5 level

- Facilitating patent prosecution at IP5 level
- Easing cross-filing
- Building-up Common Application Format
- Common and/or Compatible formats to be adopted and used
- IP5 prosecution will make use of file wrapper data

EPO initiated study based on interviews with staff of large cross-filing companies in BE, FR, DE, NL, SE, CH and UK

Exploration of industry views on following topics:

- Level on interest in transactional and information tools facilitating activities at an IP5 federated level
- Perceived gaps in exisiting patent filing and prosecution electronic tools/processes when pursuing an international filing at IP5 level
- ☐Information about family member applications of an applicant and how to make available or searchable

Suggestions of participants for long-term and interim changes

- One consistent application number
- Completing forms requiring inventors' signatures once at initial filing
- Electronical exchange of priority documents& other documents
- Standardising translation deadlines across IP5 (easier coordination of translation for applicant)



- One format for application form
- English as accepted as official language across IP5
- One Mailbox for IP5
 - One examination report valid acrossIP5

Most of all, though, they would like legal changes

- One format for forms
- Acceptance of international search report at national phase

