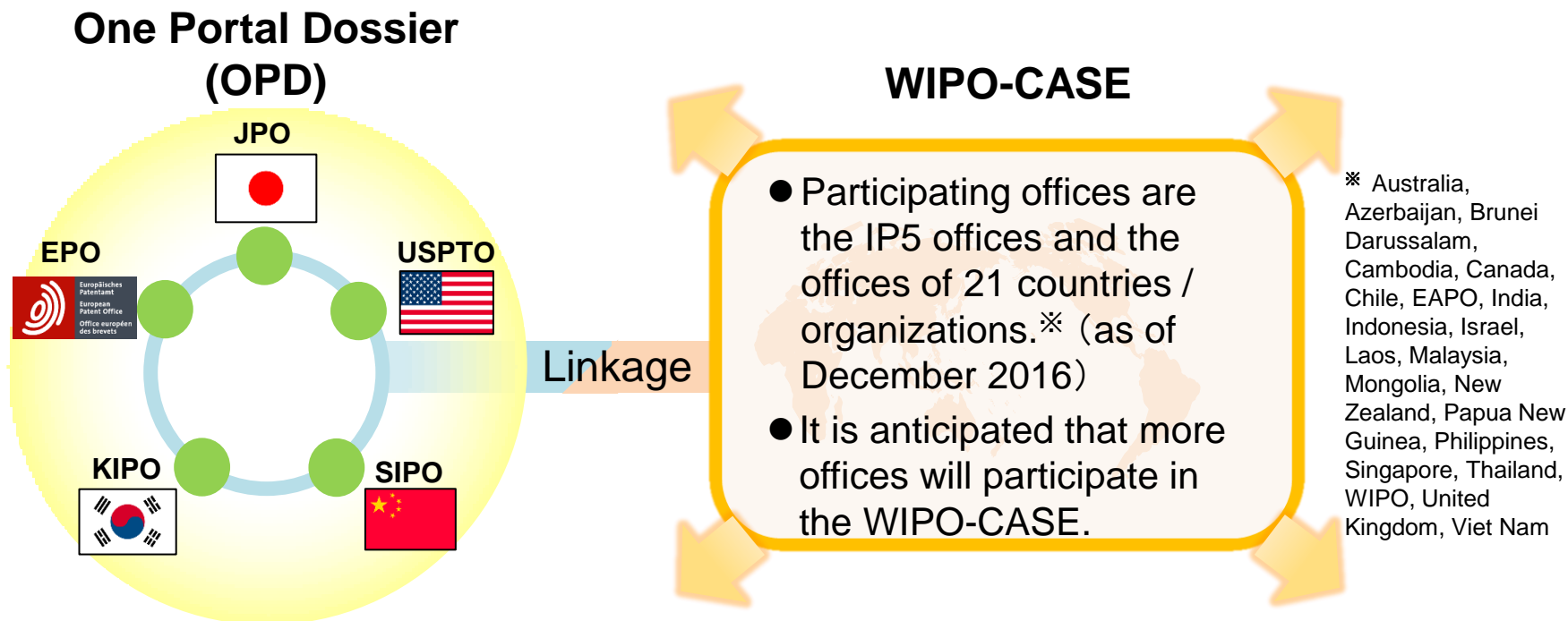


Further Expansion of Global Dossier Information Sharing Network

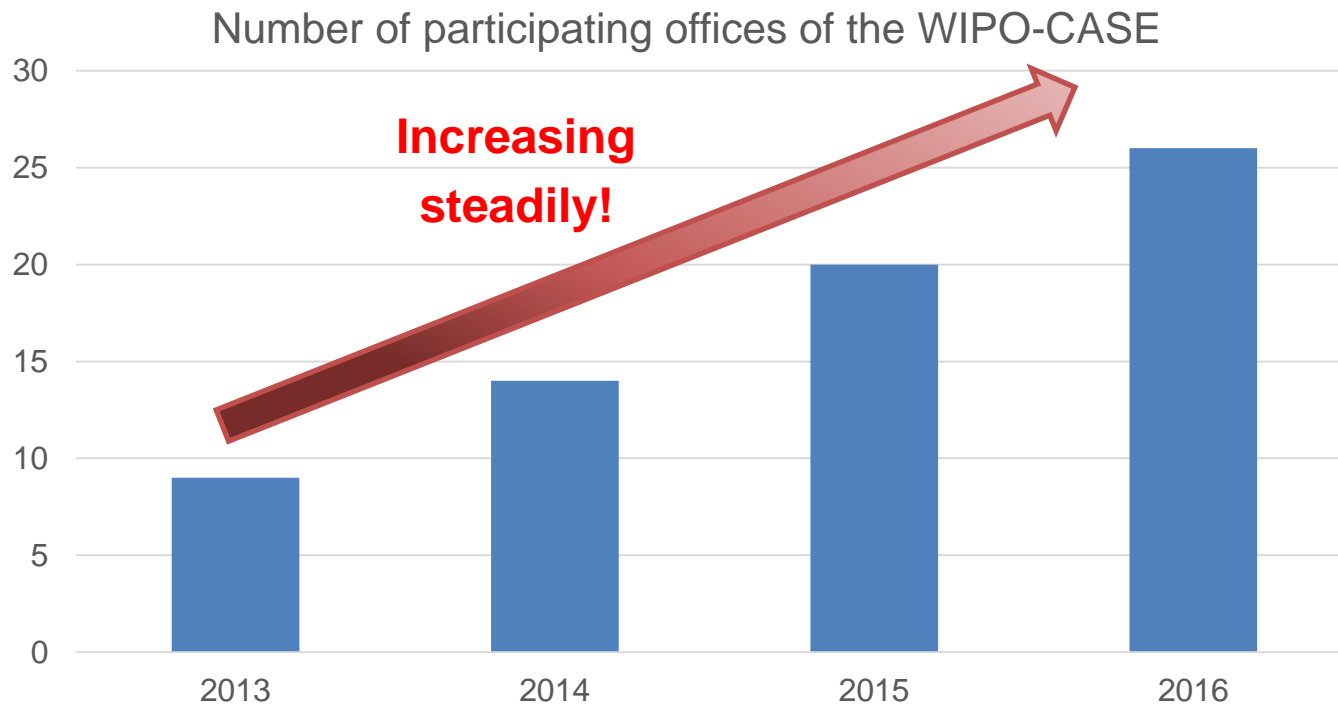
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- The initial concept of the OPD was proposed by JPO in 2008, and it started in July 2013 for IP5 examiners. In 2016, all IP5 Offices enabled the public to access the OPD.
- JPO and WIPO jointly established the linkage between the OPD and the WIPO-CASE in 2014, and all IP5 Offices linked the OPD to the WIPO-CASE in 2016.
- The linkage has the potential to achieve global work-sharing beyond the IP5.

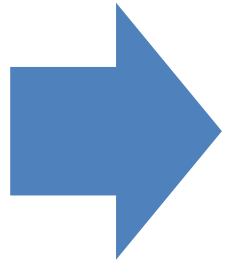


- The OPD and the WIPO-CASE are now enhancing examination efficiency and quality in many intellectual property offices.
- The number of offices participating in the WIPO-CASE is increasing steadily.
 - ⇒ The network for sharing dossier information is expected to expand further.



To further expand the Global Dossier information sharing network, the JPO is implementing the following initiatives:

- The JPO asks non WIPO-CASE offices to participate in the WIPO-CASE.
- Through WIPO Funds-in-Trust/Japan, the JPO also supports the WIPO to assist digitalizing IP offices, which will increase the number of Providing Offices in WIPO-CASE.



If all IP5 Offices and the WIPO make further efforts expand the network for sharing dossier information, we will achieve creating a truly “global” network for sharing dossier information!

Thank you