

WIPO CASE Update

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IP Office Business Solutions Division

Overview

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- Membership Status and Statistics
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WIPO CASE Evolution

- March 2011 Became operational for Vancouver Group Offices (AU, CA and GB)
- March 2013 new Framework Provisions open up the system for membership for all IP offices of WIPO member states.
- September 2013 Access to PCT application data and documents
- April 2014 Linkage between One Portal Dossier and WIPO CASE. Japan and 5 other offices participate in the pilot project.
- June 2015 new Terms and Conditions simplify the governance structure and allow for public access.
- 2016 All IP5 offices linked through CASE OPD linkage
- 2016 Public access via Global Dossier and Patentscope

WIPO CASE Membership

WIPO CASE Membership – Providing Offices

Providing Offices	Notes
Australia	
Brunei Darussalam	Will become providing office when technically ready.
Canada	
Chile	Will become providing office when technically ready.
China	
European Patent Office	
Israel	
Japan	
Republic of Korea	
IB (PCT)	Providing office only, for PCT documentation.
United Kingdom	
United States of America	



WIPO CASE Membership – Accessing Offices

Accessing-only Offices	Notes	Accessing-only Offices	Notes
Azerbaijan		Papua New	
Cambodia		Guinea	
Eurasian Patent		Philippines	
Organization		Singapore	Indicated willingness
(EAPO)		Singapore	to become a providing office.
India			
Indonesia			omoc.
Lao PDR		·· ·	
Malaysia		Thailand	
Mongolia		Viet Nam	
New Zealand	Indicated willingness to become a providing office.		

Recent Usage

Period: 2016, full year

Total: 52,782 (based on Counts of Accessed Documents)

Top Offices:

As Providing Office

Office	2016	
	Count	Percentage of Total
WO	41849	79%
AU	3953	7%
GB	2604	5%
CA	1258	2%
JP	972	2%
US	784	1%
CN	648	1%
<u>IL</u>	598	1%

As Accessing Office

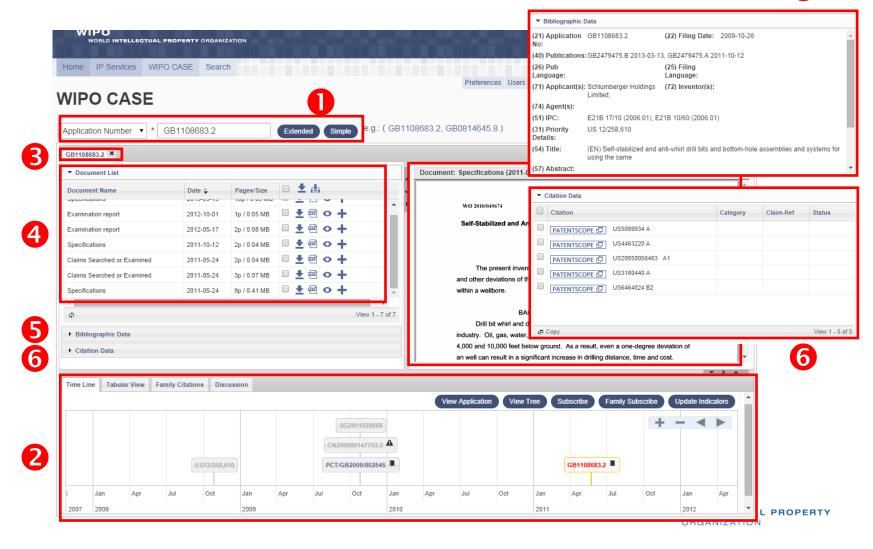
Office	2016	
	Count	Percentage of
		Total
CN	18035	34%
JP	12047	23%
KR	8211	16%
EP	7097	13%
GB	2032	4%
AU	1688	3%
CA	1487	3%
PH	1079	2%
ID	520	1%
NZ	156	
TH	154	т
IL	129	

WIPO CASE Functionality and Design

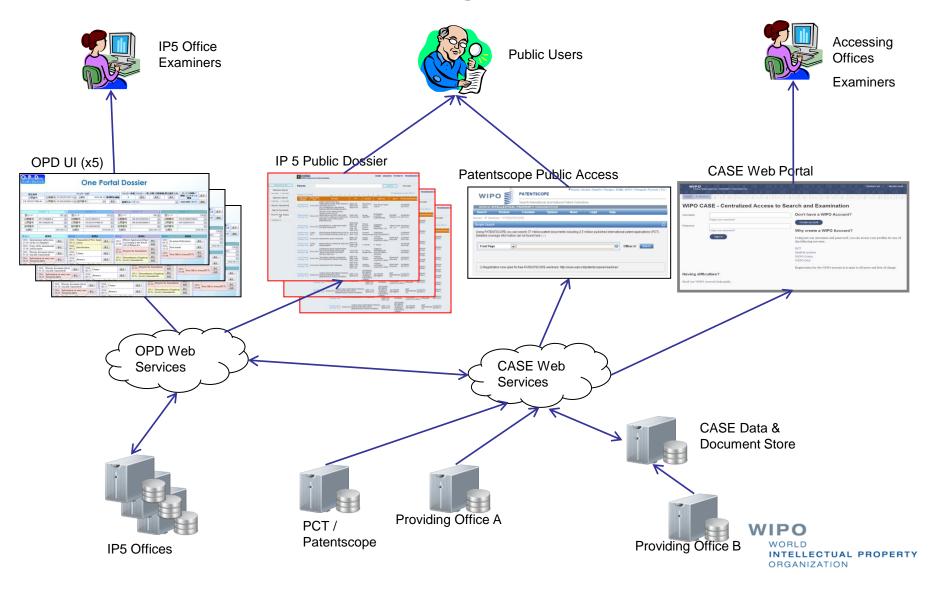


WIPO CASE Web Portal (new layout)

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WIPO CASE Configuration



Linkage of OPD and WIPO CASE

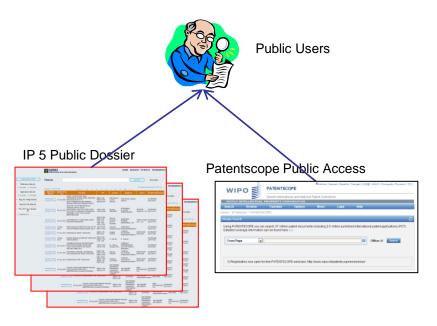


Status

- CN: Two-way link active
- EP: Two-way link active
- JP: Two-way link active
- KR: Two-way link active
- US: Two-way link active



Public Access



Status

- IP5 "Global Dossier" available to public in EP, JP and US with content from WIPO CASE
- Public access via Patentscope January 2017
- Offices allowing public access: IP5, plus WO/PCT, AU, CA (more to confirm soon)



Terms and Conditions of Use

Provision	
Reciprocity	Offices agree to become providing offices when they are legally, operational and technically ready No deadline required
Public access	Each providing office can decide if and when it's dossier content shall be made publicly available. WIPO intends to offer public access via Patentscope. Other WIPO CASE members may also provide public access to their local users.
Joining Process	Simply notify the IB – no need for all current members to approve each new member.
Access Control	Each providing office may grant or deny access to each new accessing office.
Other provisions	Equal treatment, abusive use, denial of access and cost of operations

Support provided by WIPO



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Training	National training workshops for examiners. Training focusses on the dossier content from different offices and how to interpret and compare examination results.
Technical Assistance	WIPO Publish is a module to help offices to provide their dossier content to CASE. WIPO provides the module and technical support to integrate it with back-office systems. Alternatively, WIPO assists new providing offices to develop web services to make their content available.
Document hosting	For some offices, documents can be uploaded and hosted by WIPO.
Joining Process	WIPO helps new offices with template letters, review of terms and conditions, testing of connections.
Web portal	WIPO provides access to CASE web portal (userid, security configuration)

