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Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) started between Japan Patent Office and State IP Office of China

A new PCT-PPH pilot program began on 1 November 2011 between the JPO and the State IP Office of China. Under this pilot, faster examination in the national phase in Japan and/or China is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the ISA or the IPEA, or a positive IPRP (Chapter II), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA. This pilot will be much helpful to any applicant who files both JP patent application and Chinese patent application. AFD will add a special newsletter for detailed requirements soon.

http://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi_e/t_torikumi_e/japan_china_highway_e.htm

Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) to be started soon between USPTO and State IP Office of China

On 8 November 2011, SIPO and the USPTO signed a Joint Statement of Intent to launch two new PPH pilot programs on 1 December 2011, which will use positive written opinions and positive IPRPs (Chapter II) issued under the PCT. This program will be much helpful to any applicant who files both US patent application and Chinese patent application. AFD will add a special newsletter for detailed requirements soon.

<http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11-63.jsp>

Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) to be started soon between Korean IP Office and State IP Office of China

On 2 November 2011, Commissioner Lee Soo-won of the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Commissioner TIAN Lipu of the State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) at the 17th Korea-China heads meeting held in

Beijing to open a Korea-China Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) and Patent Cooperation Treaty - Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) starting 1 March 2012. This program will be much helpful to any applicant who files both Korean patent application and Chinese patent application. AFD will add a special newsletter for detailed requirements when they are available.

<http://www.kipo.go.kr/kpo/user.tdf>

SIPO, EIPO Signs MOU

SIPO Commissioner Tian Lipu and Ethiopian IP Office Commissioner Berhanu Adello signed a memorandum of understanding between the two offices and the bilateral cooperation plans between the two parties in 2012 on November 13 in Beijing. Tian said that the friendly cooperation between the two offices will indeed help promote economic, technical and trade development between the two countries. Adello expressed his wish to benefit from sharing of China's successful experiences in IPR system building and policy-making through such cooperation.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201111/t20111125_633197.html

China to Form National Office for IPR Infringement, Fake Products Crackdown

A national office will be established to facilitate China's efforts to crack down on infringement of intellectual property rights (IPR) and counterfeit products.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201111/t20111118_631907.html

WIPO Elaborates IP Strategies in Beijing

WIPO Regional Symposium on National IP Strategies was held in Beijing on November 9, 2011. Some authorities IP Offices Leaders from 17 developing countries in Asia and Pacific regions and

representatives of Chinese relevant authorities and local IP Offices attended the meeting.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201111/t20111123_632783.html

Ministry of Commerce to Establish IPR Help Center

The Ministry of Commerce will set up a legal help center to provide intellectual property right (IPR) protection services for Chinese companies that have businesses abroad.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201111/t20111118_631910.html

China Likely to Become World's Biggest Filer of Patents in 2011

China's patent filings have increased rapidly in recent years and the country is expected to become the world's largest filer of patents in 2011, according to a report released Wednesday by Thomson Reuters in Beijing.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201111/t20111118_631909.html

China Deletes 400,000 Web Links for Copyright Piracy

The Copyright Protection Center of China has deleted more than 400,000 unauthorized Internet audio video links since June 2010 as part of the country's efforts to crack down on rampant copyright infringements.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201111/t20111110_630245.html