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SIPO Patent Search and Service System Launched Seven Languages Versions

The State Intellectual Property Office (SIPO) added seven foreign language versions to its Patent Search and Service System (http://www.pss-system.gov.cn/) on April 27th. Now users speaking Chinese, English, Russian, Spanish, Portuguese, Germany, Arabic, Japanese and French can enjoy a can search in their native languages.

The patent search and service system has also released several new functions, such as one-stop search, medicine search, structured search, data mining analysis, patent utilization platform and multi-language etc.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201505/t201505

Global Patent Examination Information Added to SIPO's CPQUERY

The SIPO has added the Global Patent Examination Information into the China Patent Examination Inquiry Platform

(http://cpquery.sipo.gov.cn/), so as to meet the inquiry demand of public users and examiners on such information.

As of May 18 2015, by inputting application number, publication number and priority

number, patent family information of the application, examination information of the inventions filed before European Patent Office (EPO), Japan Paten Office (JPO), Korea Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), and SIPO, can be retrieved. Such information of U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will be incorporated to the platform in June. <u>http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201505/t201505</u> 20_1120138.html

New Regulation Targets News Copyright

China's National Copyright Administration issued a circular regarding news copyright on April 24th.

According to the new regulation, newsmakers — journalists, bloggers, newspapers, publishers, etc. — will now be entitled to payment if web portals or paper media pick up their news stories. The permission of the creators of any news item must be obtained prior to publication. The circular also urges web portals and newspapers to discipline themselves and actively defend their own copyright.

The administration will launch a campaign in June to check on these new rules.

<u>http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/news-</u> <u>show.asp?id=7723</u>

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Chinese Company ZTE among World's Top Patent Holders

China's leading telecom equipment manufacturer, ZTE Corp., was ranked third globally in patent applications under the 2014 Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT), citing the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

More than 12,000 handset-related patents have been granted to ZTE. Among all Chinese cellphone companies in the U.S. market, ZTE has the biggest market share, being one of the four most popular brands in the market. They also hold 13 percent of the world's 4G-specific patents.

http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201505/t2015 0519_1119529.html

Singapore and China to Embark on Trademark Cooperation

The Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) and the State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) of China furthered bilateral relations on 18 May 2015, signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on trade mark cooperation that will see Singapore and China enhance exchanges on trade mark registration, examination practices, protection and enforcement.

Since 2013, trade mark applications by class count in China exceeded 1.8 million annually, making the country the top trade-marking destination in the world. To better assist companies seeking brand protection in the region, the Working Group of Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASAN) on IP Cooperation, currently chaired by Singapore, has expedited and streamlined trade mark cooperation regionally, including the development of the ASEAN TMview, a common online trade mark information platform of the ASEAN Member States aimed at making ASEAN trade mark data widely available and accessible.

> http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/newsshow.asp?id=7779

New Edition of Measures for the Administration of Patent Agency Released

Recently, the SIPO issued the SIPO Order No.70 to release the Measures for the Administration of Patent Agency which was approved after deliberation on a regular SIPO working meeting. It came into effect on May 1, 2015.

<u>http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201505/t201505</u> 21_1120342.html

China's Social Satisfaction on IPR Protection Grows for Three Years

In the recent released 2014 Report of IPR Protection Survey, the Social Satisfaction Index scored 69.43. It scored 64.96 in 2013 and 63.69 in 2012 when the first survey was carried out.

The score was made based on four aspects: legal and policy protection, law enforcement, management and services, and education. <u>http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201505/t2015</u> 0506_1113600.html

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