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**New PPH Pilots Launched Respectively between China and Canada and between China and Singapore**

According to Memorandum of Understanding of PPH Pilot between the State Intellectual Property Office of China (SIPO) and two foreign Office, namely the Canadian Patent Office (CPO) and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS), new PPH pilots between China and Canada, and between China and Singapore are simultaneously launched on September 1, 2013.

These PPH pilots will last for two years until to August 30, 2015.

[http://www.sipo.gov.cn/ztl/ywzt/pph/zxdt/201308/t20130829\\_815240.html](http://www.sipo.gov.cn/ztl/ywzt/pph/zxdt/201308/t20130829_815240.html)

**China Patent Collection Added to WIPO PATENTSCOPE; Search System Surpasses 32 Million Records**

WIPO has added China's national patent collection to the searchable PATENTSCOPE database, pushing the service past the 30 million record mark and increasing it to 34 national and regional patent collections, giving

users an unrivalled geographical diversity of fully-searchable data.

With the addition of about 3 million documents from China, WIPO's PATENTSCOPE now includes some 32.5 million records.

PATENTSCOPE users now have access to English-language bibliographic data of Chinese patents and patent applications from 1985 through 1995 and from 1996 onwards the submissions include bibliographic data in English and Chinese, as well as descriptions and claims in Chinese.

In 2011, Chinese residents filed 415,829 patent applications, the most of any country in the world for the second year running.

[http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201309/t20130922\\_819378.html](http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/iprspecial/201309/t20130922_819378.html)

**New Trademark Laws was Passed to Curb Infringement**

On August 30, 2013, China's legislature passed a new trademark law to crack down on infringements and ensure a fair market for trademark holders.

After three readings over the past two years, the revised law was passed at the bimonthly

session of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress (NPC), China's top legislature.

The new law raised the compensation ceiling for a trademark infringement to 3 million yuan (\$500,000), six times the previous limit and added that trademark agencies are not allowed to accept entrustment if they know or should know that their clients are conducting a malicious registration or infringing on the trademark rights of others.

The new law also offers protection for renowned trademarks, giving owners the right to ban others from registering their trademarks or using similar ones -- even if such brand names are not registered. But the words "renowned trademark" shall not be used in promotions or advertising.

<http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/news-show.asp?id=6155>

### **China Owns 3 Million Domestic Valid Patents by 2012**

The SIPO issued the China Valid Patent Report 2012 in recent time.

According to this report, China owns cumulative 3 million domestic valid patents, representing 85.6% of the total, up 1.5% and 3.2% respectively than those in 2011 and the end of the Eleventh Five-Year Plan.

Meanwhile, domestic invention patents amounted to 473,000, up 3.7%. The share of the total grows to 54.1%.

Any of the data reveals that the domestic valid patents maintain rapid growth and the structure therefore are significantly optimized.

The report also points out that domestic enterprises and colleges and universities are the major innovators.

Despite fruitful achievements have been made in patents filings and granting in 2012, there are some problems worthy of attention. The invention patents which maintained over 10 years are 5.5% from domestic and 26.1% are from abroad. Valid invention patents owned by foreign innovators amounted to 105,000, four times than those owned by domestic innovators. Efforts should be exerted to utilize patents owned by domestic innovators.

<http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/news-show.asp?id=6183>

### **China's Copyright Trading Booms**

China has witnessed booming copyright trading in recent years, which indicates that China's publication industry has been gradually integrating into the world.

While it is said that copyright trade is not the ultimate goal, and the vital point is to drive up the whole culture industry in order to better serve the nation's development.

<http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/news-show.asp?id=6168>

### **China is Riding the Crest of a Boom in IPR**

With the Chinese government starting a nationwide effort to strengthen IPR protection through the legal system and the Chinese courts, it is boom time for intellectual property rights in China.

In 2012, the number of civil IPR cases that were received by the courts in China rose by 46 percent year-on-year, to 87,419. So far in 2013, the growth has continued at an even faster rate than in 2012.

The increasing involvement in China of all kinds of manufacturing and service companies from around the world and the better job done by the Chinese legal system and the Chinese courts in protecting IPR contribute to the sudden increase in the foreign participation in IPR cases.

[http://www.chinaipr.gov.cn/newsarticle/news/governme nt/201308/1772262\\_1.html](http://www.chinaipr.gov.cn/newsarticle/news/governme nt/201308/1772262_1.html)

### **Korea, China, and Japan Work Together to Respond to IP Infringements**

The International Intellectual Property Training Institute of the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO; Commissioner Young-min Kim), the China Intellectual Property Training Center (CIPTC), and Japan's National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (INPIT) held the Second Joint Seminar on the subject of "Korean, Chinese, and Japanese cases of IPR disputes and

policies to protect IPRs" at the Korea IP Center in Seoul on September 4.

The seminar was prepared to draw up effective measures to respond to IPR disputes in Korea, China, and Japan as well as prepare a system to protect IPRs due to the recent increase in global disputes.

<http://www.chinaipmagazine.com/en/news-show.asp?id=6192>

### **Tian Lipu Indicated into MIP 50 for Eighth Time**

Recently, the UK magazine Managing Intellectual Property (MIP) released the list of "Top 50 Most Influential People in IP Worldwide". Tian Lipu, Commissioner of the State IP Office (SIPO), is on the list for an eighth time. Up to now, MIP has done the selection for consecutive eleven years.

[http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201309/t201309 09\\_817184.html](http://english.sipo.gov.cn/news/official/201309/t201309 09_817184.html)

### **Shanghai Beefs up Intellectual Property Efforts ahead of FTA**

In anticipation of the opening of a free trade area in Shanghai at the end of September, local authorities are considering a new mode of intellectual property administration in the experimental area that the area will break from the conventions by fostering 600 IP pilot and demonstrational companies before 2015.

[http://www.chinaipr.gov.cn/newsarticle/news/governme nt/201309/1773237\\_1.html](http://www.chinaipr.gov.cn/newsarticle/news/governme nt/201309/1773237_1.html)