# IPO Platforms for the Effective Dissemination of Public and Confidential Documents

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## IP Australia: Platforms Enabling Document Sharing

- WIPO-CASE
  - WIPO Centralised Access to Search and Examination
  - Restricted access currently used by Vancouver Group Offices only
- AusPat
  - IP Australia's search system for Australian Patents
- eDossier
  - IP Australia's public case file dossier





#### **WIPO-CASE**

- Facilitates work sharing for the Vancouver Group Offices (VGOs)
- VGOs: IP Offices from Australia, Canada and United Kingdom
  - Current Priority Mutual Exploitation of Patent Work
- Mutual Exploitation
  - Rely on work done (i.e. search and/or examination) by another VGO in a transparent way
  - Office-driven' approach
  - On-line access to work
- Not intended for public access IP Office system



#### WIPO-CASE enables efficient work sharing

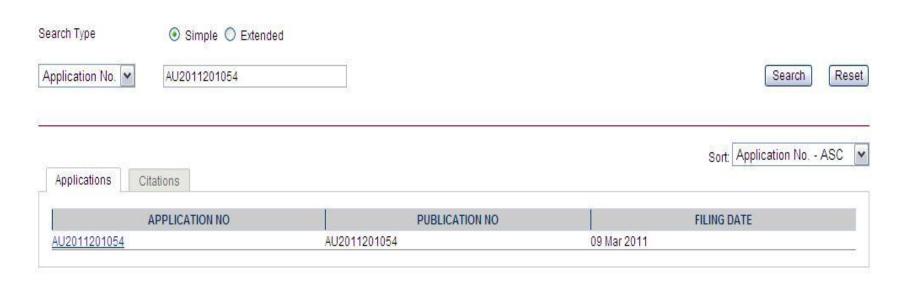
- Current availability WIPO-CASE 2.0:
  - Specifications, including amendments
  - Claims searched or examined
  - Search information, including family searching
  - Search and examination reports
  - Notification service
- Current availability WIPO-CASE 2.1
  - Web Services: real time access to documents and data
  - Citation Data: including citation status and history
- Future enhancements:
  - Connection to IP5's One Portal Dossier (when available)



#### WIPO-CASE – Patent family view

- Search by Application or Publication number
- Simple (strict) or Extended family search

#### **Patent Family**











#### **WIPO-CASE – Documents**

View or download documents in PDF format



(AU2011201054) Methodology infrastructure and delivery vehicle

DATE	DOCUMENT	VIEW	DOWNLOAD	<b>P</b>
31 Jul 2012	EXAM CORRO	尸	<b>2</b>	
06 Jul 2012	AMENDMENT	P	<b>1</b>	
17 Aug 2011	EXAM CORRO	P	42	
16 Aug 2011	SEARCH RESULTS	P	<b>1</b>	
25 Jul 2011	AMENDMENT	P	<b>42</b>	
18 Mar 2011	ABSTRACT	P	<b>1</b>	
11 Mar 2011	ABSTRACT	P	2	
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11 Mar 2011	DESCRIPTION	P	<b>42</b>	
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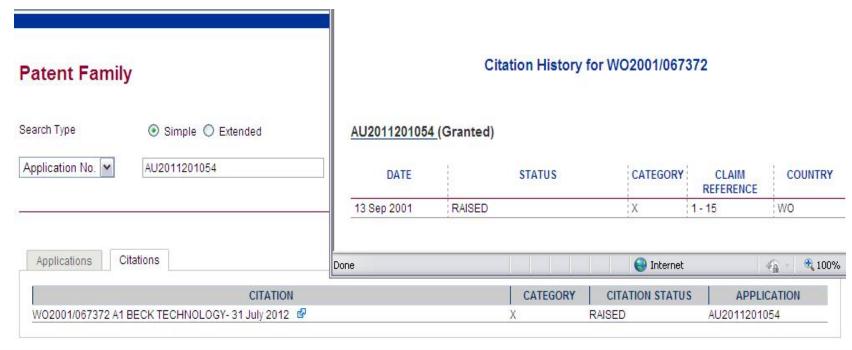






#### WIPO-CASE – Citation data

- Citation status and history
- Status: Raised, Maintained, Overcome argument, Overcome – amendment











#### WIPO-CASE 2.1 – Web Services

#### Benefits:

- Accessing Digital Library of IP Offices performed through web services
- Removes the need for regular uploads of data to WIPO by IP Offices.
- Removes the need to have a double store of data
  - e.g. WIPO no longer required to have a database of each country's data
- Allows live access to local offices' data (subject to local office system processes)
- Allows for easy future integration with systems of other IP Offices or Groups



#### WIPO-CASE 2.1 – Web Services

- Security:
  - The Web Service is made available over HTTPS
  - Web Service calls need to provide the User
     ID/Password following HTTPS Basic authentication.
  - A restriction on IP Address range per Office is also required to be configured





#### WIPO-CASE 2.1 – Web Services

- Design
  - Design document (Software Requirements Specification v1.3) outlines the technical design required by IP Offices to link up to WIPO-CASE via web services.
  - The design is split into 4 components:
    - Document list web service
    - Document web service
    - Bibliographic data web service
    - Citation web service
  - XML schema developed for each Web Service



#### IP Australia's experience with CASE

- CASE incorporated into our examination procedures
  - UK/CA reports downloaded into AU file before examination
  - Supports our existing practice
- Our examiners rely on these reports to the extent possible
  - Reference the UK or CA report for detailed reasoning and explanation rather than write our own objection
- Generally our examiners have found CASE useful
  - Reduced AU examination effort for some applications
  - In some instances, improved quality through new citations identified in other offices' reports



#### **AusPat**

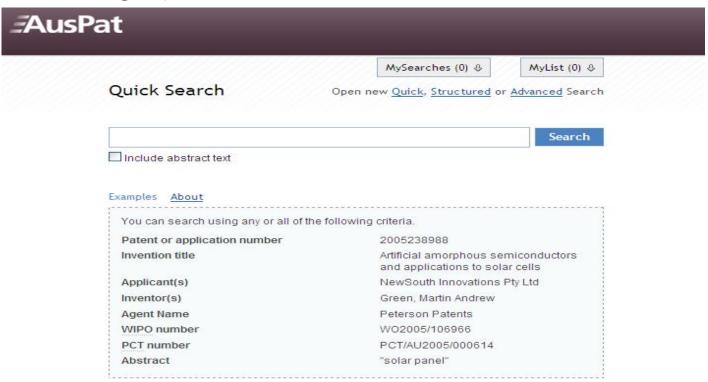
- IP Australia's public web-based search system for Australian Patents
- Full text searching of Australian applications back to 1904
- Quick, Structured and Advanced search interfaces for searching by application content or bibliographic data
- Access to eDossier
- And more: Publication history, Lifecycle Details, Fee
  History, Ownership Details, Oppositions, Amendments...
- Data updated daily





### AusPat - Quick Search

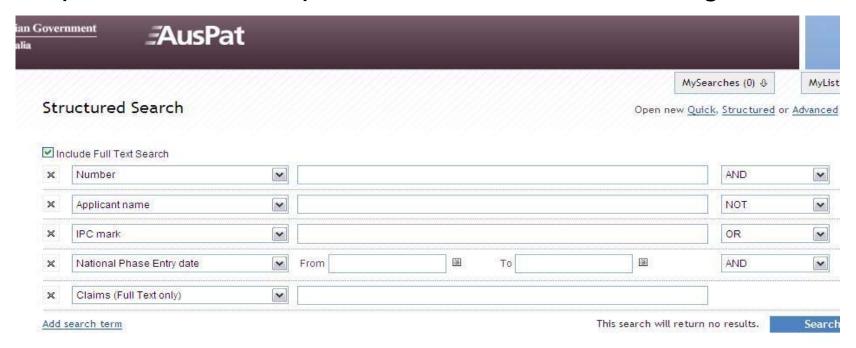
Bibliographic data and abstracts





#### AusPat - Structured search

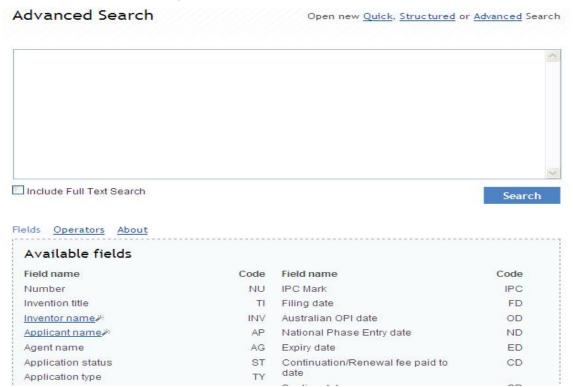
- Allows the user to build a Boolean query
- Option to include specification full text searching





#### AusPat – Advanced Search

Option to include specification full text searching

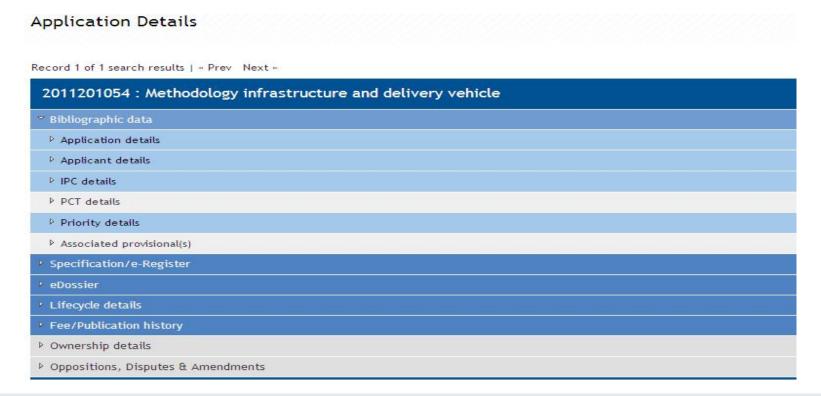






#### AusPat – Application details view

Information structured in several sections









#### AusPat – Application details view

Sections can be expanded to view the details

Bibliographic data					
Application details					
Australian application number	2011201054	Patent application type	Standard	Serial number	
Application status	FILED	Paid to date	2013-02-13	First IPC Mark	G06F 17/30 (
Currently under opposition	No	Proceeding type(s)			
Invention title	Methodology infrastructure and delivery vehicle				
Inventor(s)	Kumpitsch, Richard C.; Fishe	er, Christopher M. ; Moore, Hollis H. ; (	Cosillo, Edy S.; Law, Barry K.		
Agent name	Lesicar Murray Trento	Address for legal service	PO Box 2545 Kent Town S	SA 5071 Australia	
Filing date	2011-03-09	Australian OPI date	2011-03-31	OPI published in journal	2011-03-31
Effective date of patent	2004-02-13	Expiry date	2024-02-13		
Additional/Divisional application number			Additional/Divisional re	elationship	
2004211022			Divisional Parent		









#### **eDossier**

- IP Australia public dossier
- Accessed through AusPat
- Access to documents relating to the prosecution of patent applications which are open to public inspection (OPI)
- Applications filed from 2006 onwards
- View/Download documents in PDF format
  - Some documents unavailable for privacy reasons, copyright, etc.
- Source of AU documents for WIPO-CASE



#### **eDossier**

Accessed by expanding the eDossier section in AusPat

Specification/e-Register									
eDossier et al. (1997)									
Document Date	Document Title	Document Type	Document Status	File Size (KB)	-				
2012-07-31	<u>■ Examination Report No. 2</u>	EXAM CORRO	FILED	375					
2012-07-06	Exam Response 06 Jul 2012 SPBM-16728596 OTHER	AMENDMENT	FILED	1030					
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2011-08-17		EXAM CORRO	FILED	61					
2011-08-16	□ <u>SIS</u>	SEARCH RESULTS	FILED	52					
2011-08-15	US FER-2	SEARCH RESULTS	FILED	1361					
2011-08-15	US FER	SEARCH RESULTS	FILED	2576					
2011-07-25		AMENDMENT	FILED	805					





#### **Questions?**

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