

The Role of National IP offices to Promote the Strategic Use of the PCT System: Challenges and Prospects

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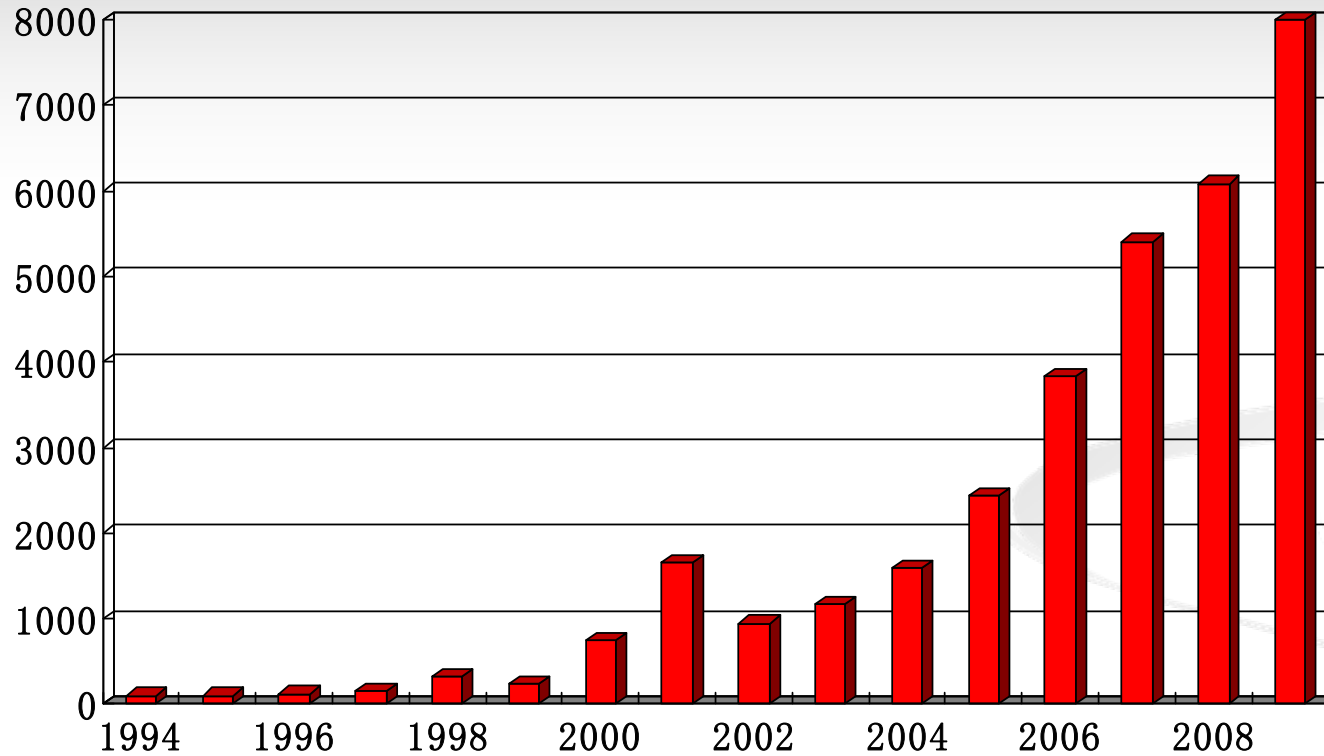


-- PCT system has already become an important way for foreigners to pursue patent protection

-- The number of PCT applications reflects the innovation ability and international competitive power of a country or a region



PCT applications filed with SIPO from 1994-2009





Why PCT applications increase so fast in China ?

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innovation ability

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awareness of IP right

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international competitiveness

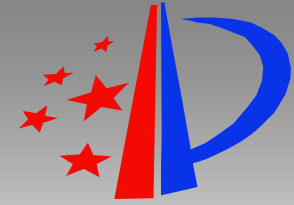


Policies and Measures

In the third amendment of Chinese Patent Law the rule that applicant must entrust a foreign-related agent to make PCT application was canceled



The challenges of PCT system

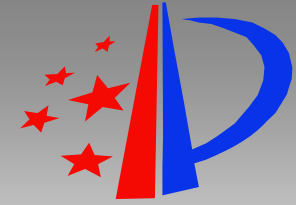


complex procedures



accumulated work

quality and efficiency



SIPO will make efforts in the following aspects:

1、 Improving the public's awareness of patent protection and actively publicizing the advantages of PCT system.

-- SIPO shall actively publicize the advantages of PCT System to the public.





SIPO will make efforts in the following aspects:

2、 Strengthening exchanges and cooperation between WIPO and national offices to face all challenges in the development of PCT system together.

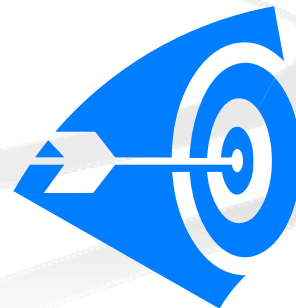
-- SIPO is willing to make cooperation with other international organizations and countries.



SIPO will make efforts in the following aspects:

3、 Improving the quality and efficiency of examination

-- The prerequisite for enhancing patent protection is to guarantee the quality and speed of patent examination and grant.





A tri-level quality management system





Established examination quality evaluation system

- 1 **timing**
- 2 **safety**
- 3 **economy**
- 4 **accuracy**
- 5 **consistency**
- 6 **comfortableness**



SIPO will make efforts in the following aspects:

4、 Eyeing for the future, developing more advanced examination and management operating system

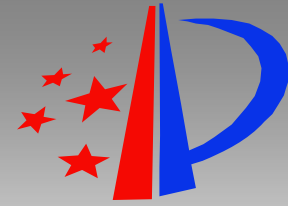
--more safety

--more stability

--more conveniently

--more friendly





SIPO will make efforts in the following aspects:

5、 Knowing public demand and improving the public service system.

- help applicants to be familiarized with PCT knowledge and its application skills
- hold PCT training classes
- establishing PCT information service platform

Facing the challenges PCT will bring to us

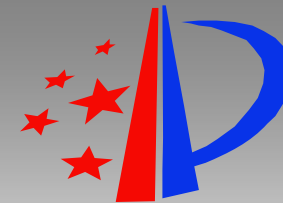


**more user
friendly**

**higher
quality**

**more
efficient**

make contribution



Thank you!



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