

PAPI survey part 2

Response ID:190 Data

1. Identification page

Please enter the two-letter country code corresponding to your Office or Organization.

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Please enter your email address so we can contact you if we have questions about your response.

2. Questions page

1. Please explain any other conditions or requirements for access to patent information besides those [covered in Part 1](#) questions 3 (access mechanism) and 4 (who may access), such as limits on the number of queries, number of results, or data limits.

We have no specific limits on our online search services, however we are planning to implement Captcha.

2.

Are fees required for access to particular types of information?

NO

If yes, please indicate for which information and explain the access procedure (e.g. how to create an account, what forms of payment are accepted, etc.).

3. If your office uses multiple languages, are the online interfaces for different languages synchronized with the same capabilities and the same data, or do some interfaces have different capabilities or data than others?

Please indicate the reference language(s).

Comments: The UK-IPO only offer our services in English

4. Please indicate any differences in the data available in other languages (for example, in the frequency of updates, coverage, search tools, etc.).

	Differences for Language
Published applications	
Granted patents	
Legal Status information	
Corrections	
Priority information	
Patent Term Extensions or Supplementary Protection Certificates	
Patent family information	
File inspection	
Court decisions	
Reassignments	
Licensing information	
Official Gazette	

Comments:

5. Are documents available for download in a searchable text format?

Examples of searchable text formats include plain text documents, HTML, XML, and certain PDFs that are created with readable text. If a PDF was created from a scanned image with OCR (optical character recognition) applied, then select "PARTIAL" as text may not always be converted correctly.

This question refers only to the content of the document which can be represented as text. Do not consider images or figures in your answer. If a document has both images and text, answer "Yes" if all the text elements are searchable.

	YES	NO	PARTIAL (some text elements not searchable)
Published applications		X	
Granted patents		X	
Amendments, corrections, or other documents with updates		X	
File history		X	

Comments: Our documents are available in searchable text format on EspaceNet

6.

Are updated versions of patent documents available online when changes are made after publication (e.g. "as granted" rather than "as filed")?

YES

If yes, please explain how updated documents are presented in search results (e.g. with updated kind codes according to WIPO ST.50).

7. Which parts of patent documents are updated online after publication? Mark all that apply.

- Entire document
- Front page/ first page only
- Title
- Description
- Claims
- Other (Specify in comments)

Comments: Drawings can also be updated after publication

8. Is the event history (list of relevant legal status information) for a given document available in online systems?

	YES	NO	PARTIAL
Pre-grant events	X		
Post-grant events	X		

Comments: IPSUM is our register service: <https://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-ipsum.htm>

9. What are your current plans, if any, for using WIPO Standard ST.27 for patent legal status information? Check all that apply.

We have definite plans to implement ST.27 in the future

Comments: This will be implemented as part of our One IPO Transformation programme:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ipo-launches-one-ipo-transformation-programme>

10. Does your Office / Organization provide an authority file of published patent documents?

YES, we currently provide an ST.37 compliant authority file accessible through the WIPO Authority File portal

Comments:

11. If you do not provide an authority file to WIPO according to the recommendations of ST.37, can you indicate the reasons below? Check all that apply.

Comments:

12. Are the following features available in the online systems provided by your Office?

See glossary above for definitions of search types.

	Patent Applications	Patent Grants	Legal Status data
Basic search	X	X	X
Advanced search or Field combination search			X
Semantic search or similarity search			
Machine translations			

Comments: We have some advanced search capabilities in our Patent Journal. Improvements will be incorporated into the One IPO Transformation Programme: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ipo-launches-one-ipo-transformation-programme>

13. Are the following fields available for search in the online systems in question? Check all that apply.

	Patent Applications	Patent Grants	Searchable in English or Latin character set?
Patent publication number	X	X	X
Patent application number	X	X	X
Priority date			
Priority number			
Applicant name			
Inventor name			
Owner name			
Normalized names (applicant, owner, etc)			
PCT application number			
PCT publication number			
Title			
Abstract			
Claims			
Description			
Country (of applicant, owner, etc)			

Comments: We have some additional search capabilities in our Patent Journal

14. For machine translations, please indicate which languages are translated.

From (original document languages)

To (translated output languages)

Comments: Not applicable

15. Which patent information is translated?

Comments: Not applicable

16. Does your system provide guidance on what types of number formats are accepted when searching by application or publication numbers?

Our system provides guidance on the search page

Comments:

17. What types of number formats are accepted when searching by application or publication numbers? Please check all that apply.

Numbers starting with an ST.3 code identifying the office, as recommended by ST.13

Comments:

18. Are WIPO ST.3 two-letter codes or WIPO ST.16 document kind codes used as part of the search term when searching by application or publication number?

	required	optional	not accepted
ST.3 Office codes are	X		
ST.16 document codes are			X

Comments:

19. What kind of interface do users have to access your online systems for the available types of patent documents? For example, for published patent applications, granted patents, patent term extensions, fee payments.

There are multiple web pages or portals for different types of information, and-
The web pages or portals for different types of documents look and function differently

Comments:

20. Do your online systems use the same web pages or portals for different types of industrial property rights provided by your Office? For example, patents for inventions, plant patents, design patents, inventors' certificates, utility certificates, utility models, patents of addition and others. Answer yes here even if there are multiple web pages or portals for different types of documents (application, legal status history, assignments, etc), as long as each type of IP right is available on the same web page or portal.

Note- this question is about different types of IP rights. Question 17 is about different types of patent documents.

NO

Comments:

21. If there are separate websites or portals for these other types of industrial property provided by your Office, please list them.

List of Trade Marks Search Services - <https://www.gov.uk/search-for-trademark>
Find Register Design - <https://www.registered-design.service.gov.uk/find>
Check Designs Journal - <https://www.gov.uk/check-the-design-journal>

22. Do your online systems contain information on documents issued under international or regional IP protection systems, which have (potential) effect in your jurisdiction?

YES

Comments: Granted EP (UK) register information PCT National Phase information

23. If so, what types of documents are available, e.g. PCT documents or translations?

Documents relating to PCT national phase - Wipo specification; international search report; international preliminary report on patentability; written opinion; priority document; form to show a change of name/address of the applicant/inventor between the international and national phase and the international application status report (bibliographic data form).

Documents relating to post-grant register updates on EP(UK) Patents

24. Is international or regional data searchable in the same online systems as national documentation?

Yes, international / regional data is available and searchable

Comments: EP (UK) & PCT National phase information is searchable on our IPSUM service. EPO Federated Register also links to IPSUM.

25. What functionality would you like to see in the systems provided by other Offices?

	For full descriptions	For legal status
Possibility to translate content into other languages		
Search by bibliographic data fields	X	X
Full text search	X	X
Possibility to download documents in various formats	X	
Alerting to data updates	X	X
Date of receipt of applications by your Office	X	
Other (Specify in comments)	X	X

Comments: Application Program Interface (API) integration capability

26. What is your desired update frequency for data from other Offices?

	For full descriptions	For legal status
Real time publication of all changes	X	X
Daily updates		
Weekly updates		
Other (Specify in comments)		

Comments:

27. Should other Offices' systems support machine-to-machine communication (such as web services) for exchanging data with your Office?

	YES	NO	NO PREFERENCE
For full applications	X		
For bibliographic data	X		
For legal status information	X		

Comments:

28. Should Offices' systems provide search capabilities for both their national data sets and data published by other Offices (with an interface in the national language)?

	YES	NO	NO PREFERENCE
For full applications			X
For bibliographic data			X
For legal status information			X

Comments: Further explanation is required to make a definitive Yes or No answer

29. User guide

Is there a user guide for searching (such as explanation of fields or

examples) available in the system?

YES

URL where the guide is available-

Patent Publication Enquiry: <https://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-find-publication.html>, IPSUM: <https://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-ipsu.htm>, Patent Journal Search - <https://www.ipo.gov.uk/p-pj/p-pj-search-help.htm>

30. Is there a clear indication of which information in the official publication is issued by your Office / Organization and which information is from other sources (e.g. a disclaimer on externally provided information)?

Not that we're aware of

31. Please briefly describe your future plans with respect to your Office's online systems, their content and functionality. For example, if you have plans to expand their capabilities, merge existing systems, retire old systems, or a general timeline for such work, please include that information here.

Over the next five years the UK IPO will replace all of its current read and search services on the gov.uk website. These activities are part of our One IPO Transformation programme, please see following link for further information - <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/ipo-launches-one-ipo-transformation-programme>. As an organisation we facilitate services for all IP rights (Patents, Trade Marks, Designs and Copyright) and we anticipate our new journals, search services and registers will have a common across rights approach/theme.

32. In which of the following areas are WIPO recommendations the most needed and/or most effective? Check all that apply.

	For full applications	For legal status
Scope of published information	X	X
Frequency of updates		
Availability of information and/or interfaces in other languages		
Information retrieval functionality	X	X

Comments:

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Is your Office / Organization considering to discontinue the official gazettes, and instead make related publication data available only via public online services?

YES, discontinuation of the official gazettes is scheduled or already implemented

Comments:
