Development and Offering of Distance Learning Courses: The Perspective of Developing Countries

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1. Overview



- Vietnamese IP system:

- > History: 30 years of development, began in 1981 with the Decree 31/CP on invention and innovation; the IP Office established in 1982;
- Legal framework: the first comprehensive IP Law in 2005, revised in 2009; guided by a number of Government Decrees and Ministerial Circulars:
- > IP Administration system: 3 State management agencies at central level (NOIP, COV, PVPO) and Provincial Departments;
- > *IP enforcement system*: Courts, Customs, Market Control Management; Polices; Specialized Inspectorates;
- > Education and Training System: NOIP research and training centre, Universities and Institutions;
- > IP Supporting system: Patent Attorney Agents; IP Associations, etc.



1. Overview (Cont'd)

The National Office of Intellectual Property of Vietnam (NOIP):

- ➤ Organization: 14 divisions (including 3 patent divisions, 2 trademarks division and 11 design division), 3 centers and 2 Branch Offices (in DaNang and Ho Chi Minh City);
- > Services.
 - State management of industrial properly;
 - IP Legislation and Policies development;
 - IPR Registration (patents, trademarks; designs, GIs, IC);
 - IP Research and Training;
 - IP Supporting and Consultation;
 - IP Information Services;
 - IP International Cooperation;
 - IP Enforcement and Appeal

2. Research and Training Center of NOIP



- Established in 2004, with 7 staff;
- Main functions: conducting researches & trainings of IP, focusing on training government staffs, businessmen, trainers, etc.,
- Achievements in 2010: 01 professional courses (35 trainees); 5 training courses for 178 NOIP's staff; 33 training courses for administration and enforcement staffs; two courses on WIPO DL101 in Vietnamese language (502 subscribers); 9 seminars/workshops in various IP issues (635 participants), etc.

2. Research and Training Center of NOIP (Cont'd)



- Target Audiences:
 - + professional trainings: patent attorneys, IP managers of companies etc.
 - + short-term training courses: administration and enforcement staffs (including NOIP' staff); businessmen, scientists, inventors, etc;
 - + WIPO DL courses: for everyone
 - + Training methods: Face to face (almost); distance learning (in cooperation with WIPO).

3. Development and Offering of DL Courses- Phased Approach



- DL-101VN: with the assistance of and cooperation with WIPO Academy

Phase I: Selection of appropriate course

- + DL101: general course
- + target audience: general public, including students, lawyers, businessmen etc,
- + Technology: Moodle
- + Funding for translation of material etc.,

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Phase II: Procuring the learning management system and training the administrator of this system

Phase III: Course management planning building tutorial teams, administration teams and other institutional arrangements

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Phase IV: Training of trainers and course administrators

- Apply WIPO Academy IP tutor Guide
- Apply WIPO Academy IP course administration Guide
- Anticipate and resolve difficulties to find language specific resources
- Prepare an evaluation system
- Prepare course schedule

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Phase V: Launching the course



D.G. Francis Gurry and D.G Trần Việt Hùng at DL101VN Launching Ceremorney (19 Jan. 2010)

3. Development and Offering of DL Courses



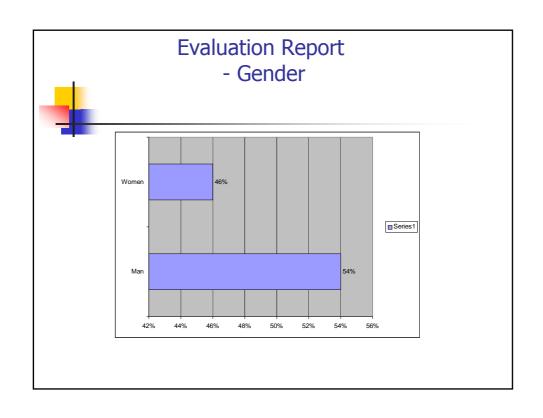
- DL-101VN

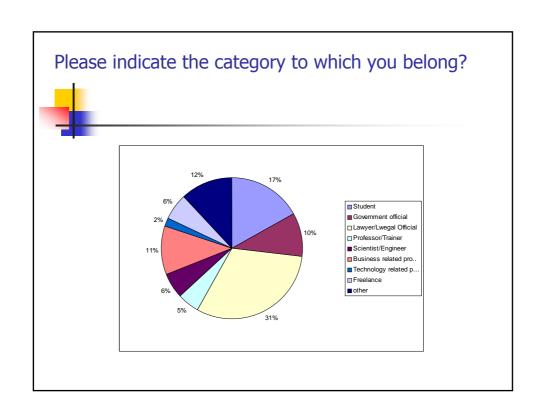
- + With the assistance of WIPO (copyright, materials translated in to Vietnamese; training administrators and tutors etc.)
- + Launched in January 2010 (by DG Francis Gurry and DG Tran Viet Hung)
- + 1^{st} (2010): 170 subscribers; 75 took final exam and 64 certified
- + 2^{nd} (2010): 332 subscribers; 128 took final exam and 105 certified
- + 3rd (2011): 185 subscribers;
- + 4th (2011): to be enrolled in September 2011

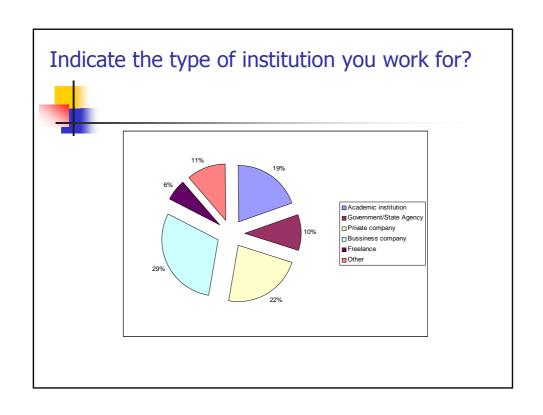
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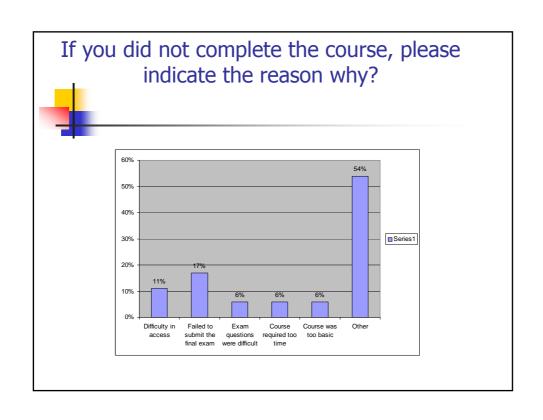


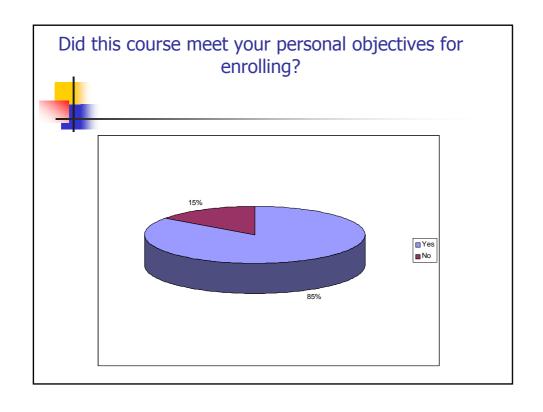
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 - + Response to organizer: actively, almost would like to participate in advance courses and keep relationship with NOIP
 - + Forum: actively participated and useful
 - + Q&A: 1st Session: 81 questions

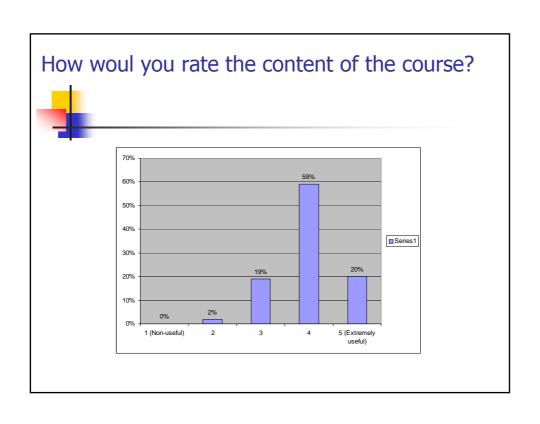


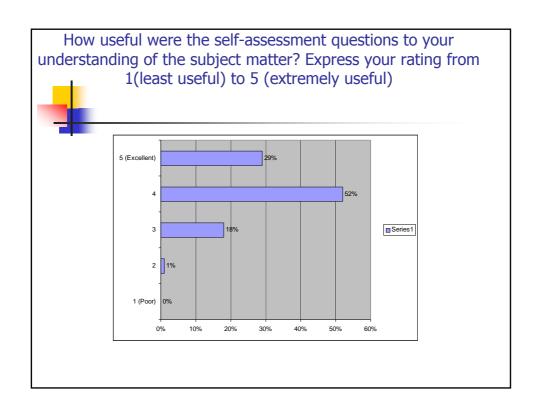


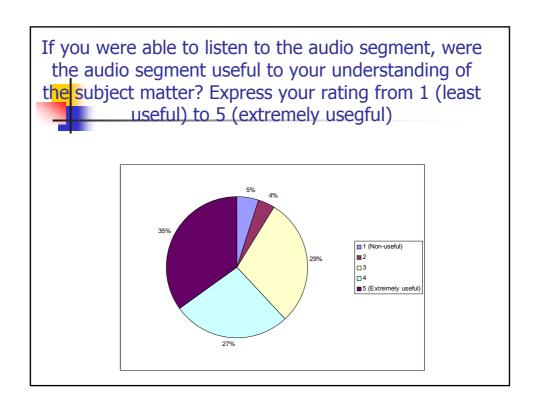


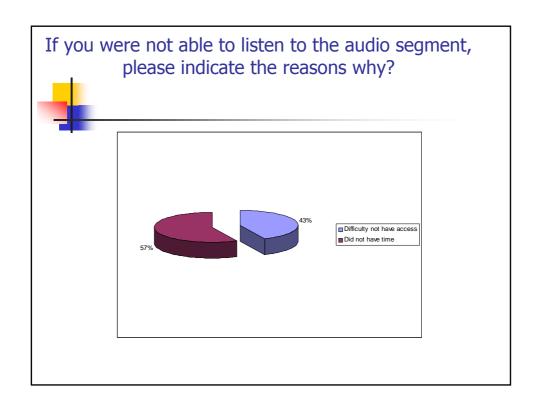


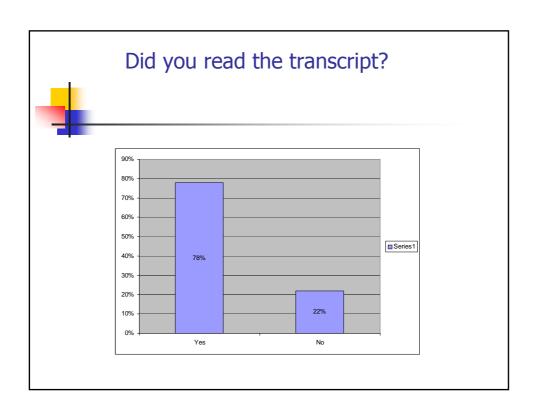


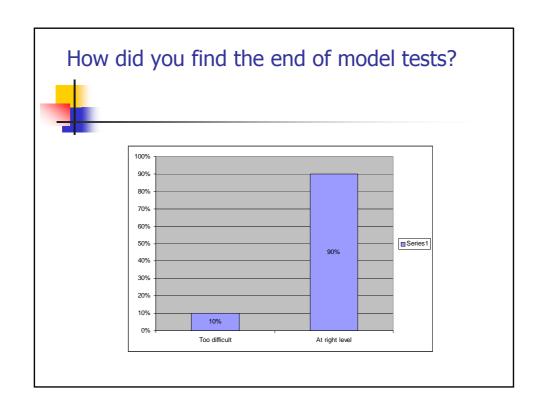


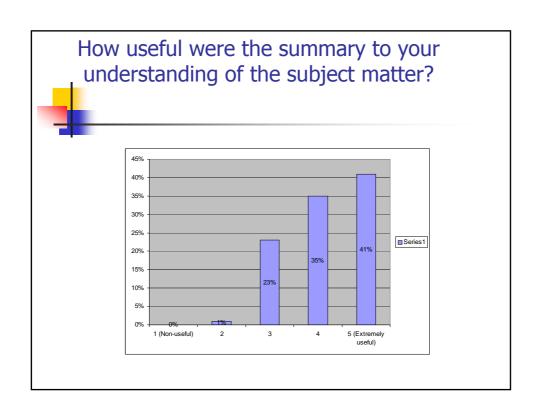


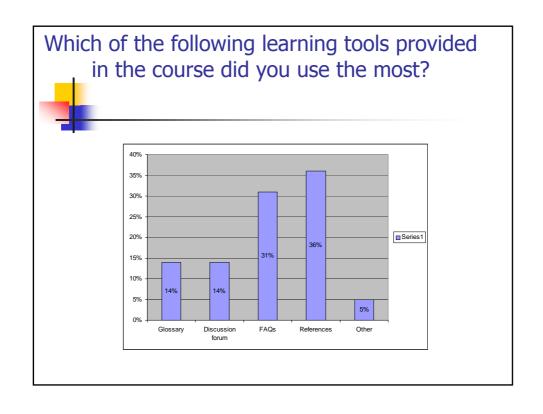


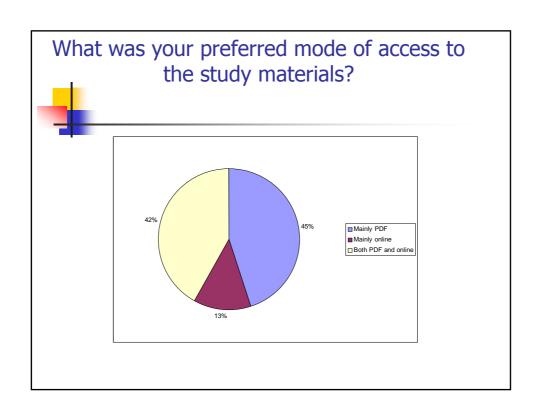


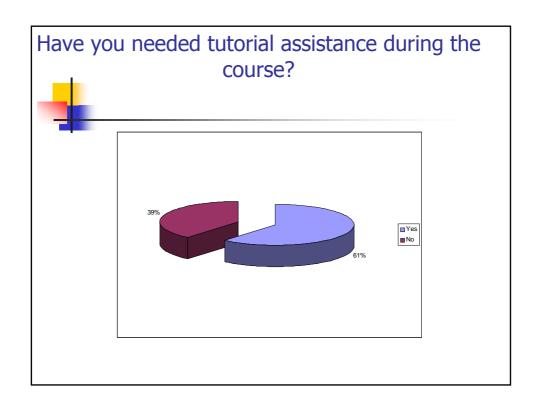


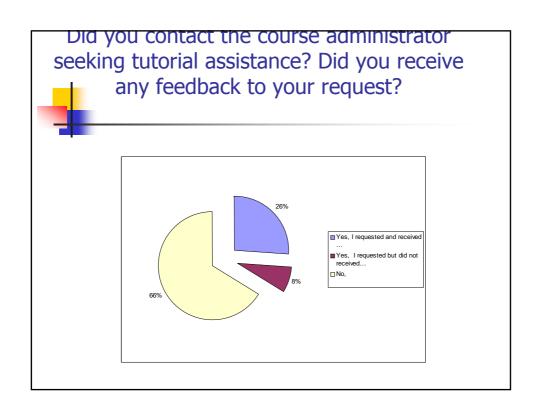


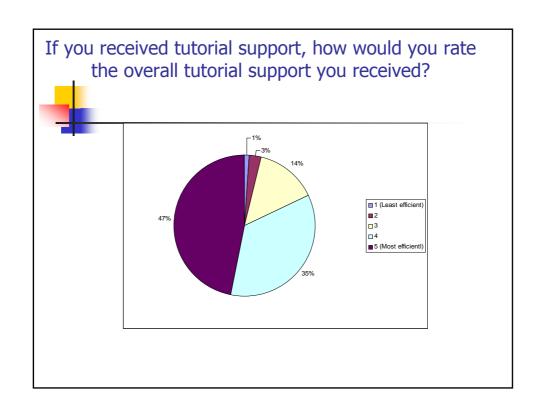


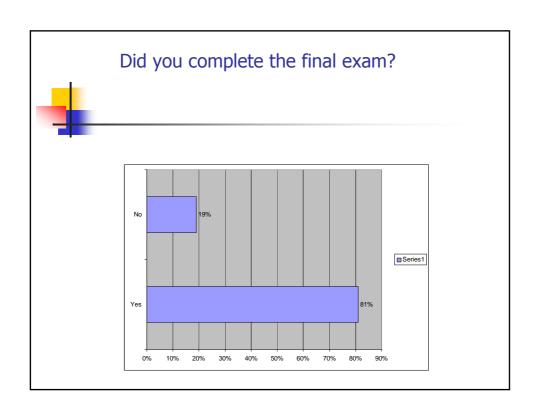


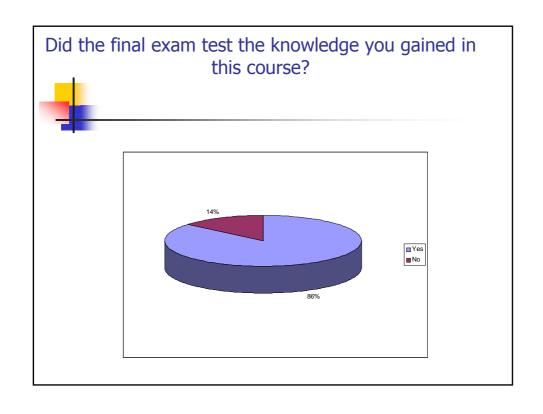


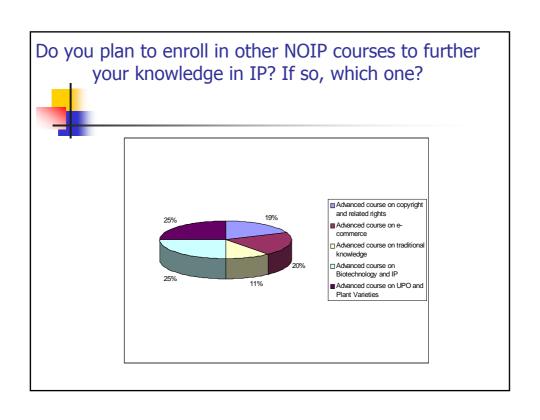












3. Development and Offering of DL Courses



- Developing other courses schedule
 - + DL-101 on Vietnam's IP system: 2011 2012
 - + Advance course on Trademarks and GIs (with assistance from WIPO Academy): 2011
 - + Course on Patent Information: 2011

4. Perspective of Developing Countries



- Situation:
- + Lack of resources (trainers, financial resources, facilities,..);
 - + Lack of trainers and expertise in IP;
 - + Lack of IP awareness of the society;
- ⇒ E- Learning could be good one to overcome the above challenges, of courses, with the cooperation among IPOs in IP education and training, including assistance of WIPO, JPO etc., are necessary;

Thank you very much for your attention!



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