**WIPO Daejeon 2017 Workshop on PCT National Phase Examination and Work-Sharing**

The exercises include case studies of selected PCT national phase entries which are listed in a separately distributed excel table (as soft copy). You are requested to research these cases based on the instructions given below and fill the columns E to P of the table (using an electronic copy of the table). At the end of the workshop you will be given a completed table with solutions.

In a first part, the family relations and priority claims are to be researched. A 2nd part researches the examination status in different national phases, a third part compares claims granted in different national phases, and a fourth part compares the prior art citations applied in different national phases. The latter will help to understand why claims granted by different examiners may differ.

The top record of the table (1st case) gives an example of how the researched information should be recorded in the table.

**Part 3 (comparing main claims granted in different national phases)**

- check if any granted main claim is equivalent or equal to the WO-A1/2 main claim, and record this in column Q;

- check if main claims granted in different jurisdictions are different from each other (substantially or not), in particular (column Q):

- look for examples of grants with exactly the same wording of main claims,

- look for examples of grants with substantially different wording of the main claims,

- look for examples of grants of different category of subject matter (process, use, product),

- look for examples of grants with a different sequence of features/elements in the main claim,

- look for examples of grants of different type (one part – two part claims).

(Please enter your answers in the table and also prepare a word document in which you copy the claims and use color coding to highlight equivalent parts.)

- Would you grant a patent or not grant or wait for further results from national phases? Why? Which main claim would you prefer if you intend to grant? (column R)

Please look at the following cases in the table

#6(plant cultivation): This is the drastic example from the presentation with very different claims; check the new EP grant and compare with the CA and US grant

#5(stable composition): there is one subtle difference

#12(polyolefin)

#13(form work element)

#35(portion capsule) US and AU