



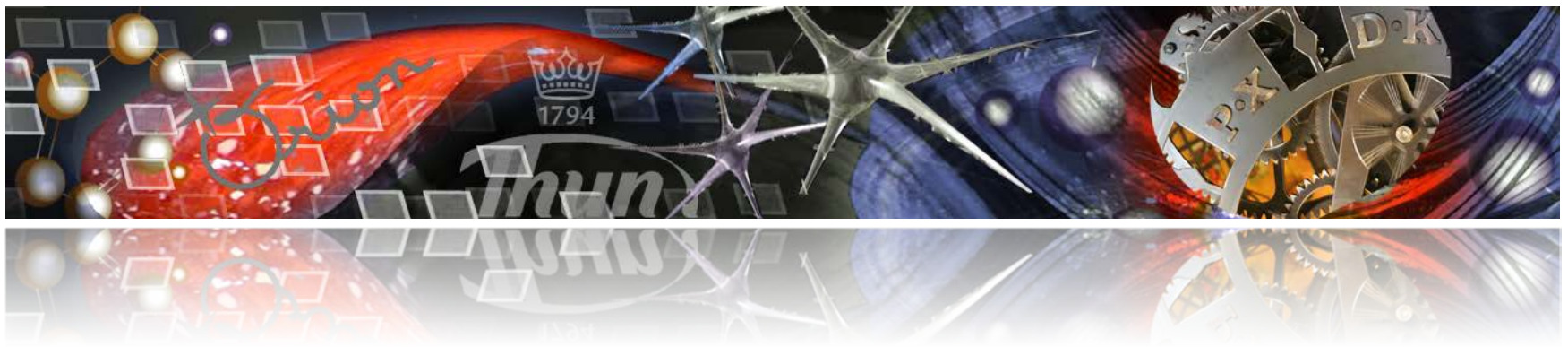
CPC Implementation at National Offices and delivery of the CPC data

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Agenda

- Classification/Search under the CPC system at National Offices
- Quality Assurance process under the CPC system at National Offices
- CPC Training
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- CPC data exchange

Classification/Search under the CPC system at National Offices

- What is the classification process at your office under the CPC system?
 - How many technical fields does your office use to classify document(s) under CPC system? **All**
 - Which patent documents (e.g. utility model, patent publication, PCT) does your office currently classify under the CPC system?
New patent applications, VPI applications, utility models, returned appl. to the proceeding (e.g. request for examination)
 - Are there any plans in the future to include documents (e.g. utility model, patent publication, PCT) to be classified under the CPC system? **No**
- Does your office use CPC for searching the document(s)?
Yes
 - Are there any concerns? **No**

Quality Assurance Process under the CPC system at National Offices

- Does your office have a Quality Assurance process for checking the CPC classification on your documents?

The work of patent examiners is controlled by the heads of the relevant technical sections of the Patent Department.

CPC Training

- What type of CPC related training(s) has your office developed (general and/or specific technical field(s))? **e-learning provided by the EPO, classroom training in the EPO, The Hague**
 - Which resource(s) (e.g. CPC bilateral website, Epoxy, USPTO QNs, EPO QNs etc.) does your office use to develop the training material? **mainly CPC website**
- Does your office need additional CPC related training (general and/or specific technical fields) for classifying/searching documents ? **It is planned that some examiners will participate in CPC field-specific training in 2018 in the Hague**

CPC Implementation

- What has been the greatest benefit to your office by implementing the CPC? **More specific search**
- What challenges did your office experience while implementing the CPC?
- CPC schemes and definitions are updated and published at least four times per year. Are there any issues at your office to keep up with the updates? **No**
 - Does your office plan to do CPC reclassification of the back file documents? **Not yet**
- CPC schemes are published in the English language as the only official language. Does your office translate the CPC into your national language? **No**

CPC Data Exchange

- How does your office exchange CPC data to and from the USPTO or the EPO?
 - For the front file(s)? **Yes**
 - **Every Wednesday**
 - For back file(s)? **No**
 - For PCT International Send Reports? **No**
- What types of issues does your office have while exchanging the CPC data? **IPO CZ sends data to EPO in xml format according to Standard no. 36. There is no free TAG for the CPC data. We would need instructions for integration of the Standard no. 96 or contact someone who can help us.**



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