

State of play of the CPC Implementation at National Offices and delivery of the CPC data

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Agenda

- Classification/Search under the CPC system at DKPTO
- Quality Assurance process under the CPC system at DKPTO
- CPC Training
- CPC Implementation
- CPC data exchange

Classification/Search under the CPC system at National Offices

- What is the classification process at your office under the CPC system?
 - A new workflow system is currently being implemented.
 - IPC classification is the main focus. (Mandatory)
 - System capable of harvesting CPC classifications, but then only in a separate process. (Optional, volun
 - In the future we plan to CPC classify utility models, patent publications, PCT.
- Does your office use the CPC system for searching the patent literature?
 - Yes, indeed.

Quality Assurance Process under the CPC system at National Offices

- The DKPTO has a Quality Assurance procedure for the classification under the CPC system.
- When present it is checked at the time of replying to the applicant by a brief peer review. (All files)
- When present and occurring in a file belonging to our monthly quality assurance random sample, the CPC classification is thoroughly checked.

CPC Training

- What type of CPC related trainings has your office developed
 - CPC is handled in a full day training session. Part of our introductory course for new examiners
 - CPC workshops for examiners with 2-8 years of experience.

We train the examiners on the CPC scheme as presented in Espacenet. The CPC bilateral website is introduced, CPC Definitions are highlighted. Tools available in EpoqueNet are introduced.

CPC Implementation

- What has been the greatest benefit to your office for implementing the CPC?

Higher quality of searches.

- CPC schemes are updated and published at least four times per year. Are there any issues at your office to update CPC system? No issues currently.
 - Does your office plan to do reclassification of the back file documents?
 - No current plans.
- No Danish translation of the CPC (nor of the IPC)

CPC Data Exchange

- How does your office exchange CPC data to the EPO?
 - For the front file(s)?
 - Not yet implemented

Thank You