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# CHALLENGES MADRID AND PCT APPLICATIONS

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# OUTLINE

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- Receiving and transmittal of Madrid files
- Challenges in the processing of Madrid files
- Challenges as a Madrid Unit
- PCT applications

# RECEIVING OF IRS DESIGNATING THE PH

2012 to June 2017

Download/upload files using the Madrid Module  
(done by the Madrid Unit)



July 2017 to Present

Automatically incorporated into IPAS thru the  
Madrid Client

# TRANSMITTAL OF PRP/GP/OP/MM2

2012 to June 2017	July 2017 to Present
<p data-bbox="463 501 983 539">Issuance of Madrid PRP</p> <p data-bbox="698 579 718 648">↓</p> <p data-bbox="573 672 868 711">Scan the PRP</p> <p data-bbox="698 751 718 819">↓</p> <p data-bbox="499 843 950 882">Manually create XML</p> <p data-bbox="698 922 718 991">↓</p> <p data-bbox="542 1015 901 1053">Transmit via FTP</p> <p data-bbox="453 1129 996 1168">(done by the Madrid Unit)</p>	<p data-bbox="1564 501 2084 539">Issuance of Madrid PRP</p> <p data-bbox="1788 579 1809 648">↓</p> <p data-bbox="1304 672 2339 768">IPAS automatically transmits to IB the PRPs thru the Madrid Client</p>

# CHALLENGES SPECIFIC TO THE PROCESSING OF MADRID FILES

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- Subsequent designations, partial assignments were not processed in the original version of IPAS
- Late transmission of notifications due to server problem
- Madrid client became obsolete

# WHAT DID WE DO

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- Manually created files for the subsequent designations, partial assignments (IPAS old version)
- Close coordination with IB to resolve the irregularities, issues
- Transmit the notices thru Madrid Office Portal (MOP) with a covering letter and manually tag the notices as Manually transmitted to IB.
- Training Workshop for National IP offices for the XML data exchange on July 27 and 28, 2022.
- Meeting with Madrid Team 3 and WIPO IT officers to discuss data exchange
- Madrid-related processes (PRP, GP) were revised to “match” with the xml schema

# CURRENT ISSUES

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- Issuance of Grants of Protection (SOME goods and services-XML formatting)
- Lack of IT manpower to focus on Madrid issues

# MADRID PROTOCOL

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INTERNAL



2005:

Filing to 1<sup>st</sup> action: 20 mos

Filing to registration: 47 mos



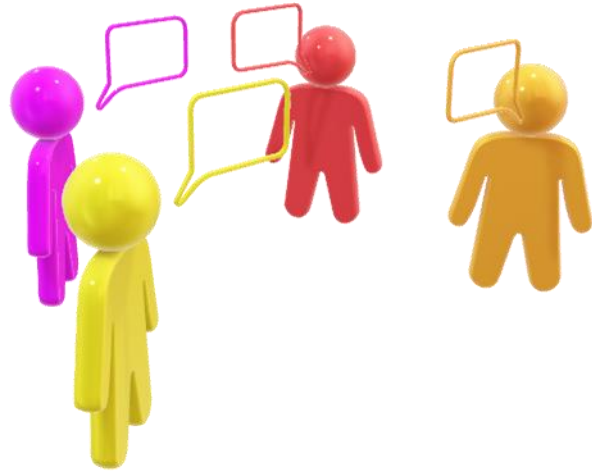
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# MADRID PROTOCOL

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INTERNAL



LACK OF MANPOWER



LACK OF TRAINING

# WHAT DID WE DO

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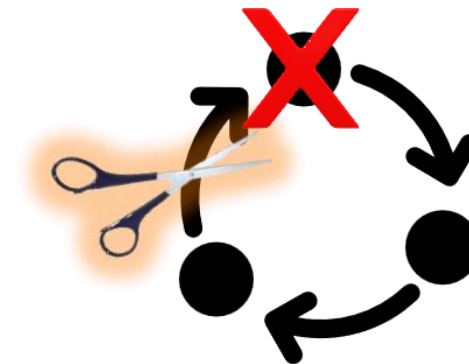
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Database cleanup



Trademark Electronic Application System



Streamlined work processes

# WHAT DID WE DO

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## SYSTEM



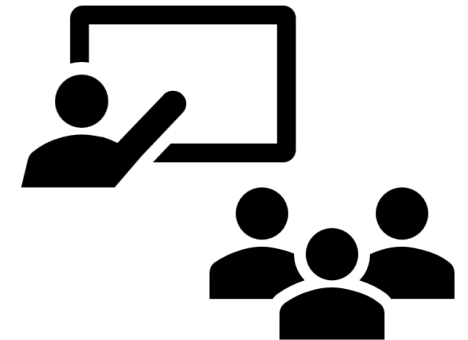
Dec. 2012: Version 2.7

June 2017: 311

## MANPOWER



Madrid desk



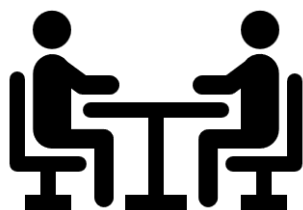
Training

# MADRID PROTOCOL

EXTERNAL



Case filed by an association of lawyers



Continued with our work in Madrid while waiting for the decision of the case

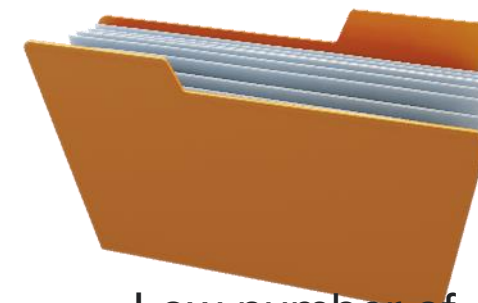


Number of owners who will use the system

## WHAT DID WE DO



Stakeholders forum  
information dissemination



Low number of outbound filings



- information dissemination
- Juan for the World project

# PCT APPLICATIONS

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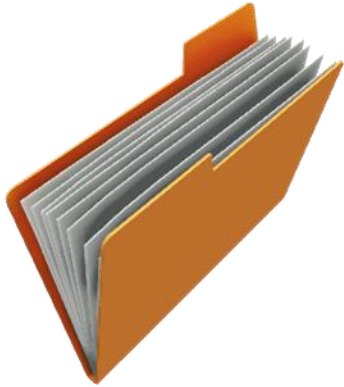
-BEFORE the implementation of the mandatory online filing, PCT personnel manually encode the PCT application data, Priority Data, Applicant's address, Inventor's name and address, IPC

**AFTER** the implementation of the mandatory online filing:

--the filer needs to manually enter all information like the PCT application data, priority data, name and address of applicant and inventors. It is better to migrate or capture the data from WIPO Patentscope using the PCT application number. IPC from the International Application Status Report or WO Publication is being manually captured by the personnel from the PCT Unit.

# PCT APPLICATIONS

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- Categorization of application based on captured IPC is done manually to determine to which specific division or field it will be assigned for examination. Mistakes of manual categorization are sometimes encountered.



- Validation of correct format of PCT application number and International Publication number is missing in IPAS, thus, there is incorrect formatting of number

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