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Annual Technical Report on Patent Information Activities in 2019 submitted by AZERBAIJAN/Intellectual Property Agency

I. GENERAL OVERVIEW OF RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN PATENT INFORMATION ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Outline of main policies and plans aimed at development of patent information activities and expected time frames for their realization

The process of integration of "PNAH" system, on improving the quality of informing applicants, concerning the acceptance of applications, carrying out the process of examination and granting patent on inventions and utility models.

New projects launched or resumed this year in the context of the policies and plans mentioned above, short description: aims, partners, tasks

"PNAH" electronic System, the main purpose of which is to inform the applicants about the clerical work and the examination process.

Main areas of patent information activities and related information and communication technology (ICT) practices which were in the focus of attention last year

Carrying out the works related to the implementation of IPAS and "PNAH" electronic systems.

Statistics: changes in terms of application filings and grants with respect to previous year; trends or areas experiencing rapid changes

No changes were made.

Other matters and useful links (URLs): annual report of the Office, news page, statistics, etc

<http://patent.copat.gov.az/?sid=519>, <http://patent.copat.gov.az/?sid=304>

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II. SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO PATENT INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Information and support provided by the Office to applicants regarding filing on paper and/or e-filing (instructions, seminars, etc.) - URLs

<http://patent.copat.gov.az/?sid=58>, http://patent.copat.gov.az/_files/437.pdf, <http://patent.copat.gov.az/?sid=617>, http://patent.copat.gov.az/_files/%C6%8Flav%C9%99%201.pdf, http://patent.copat.gov.az/_files/%C6%8Flav%C9%99%202.pdf

Availability of the application dossier in electronic form

Is not intended.

Classification¹, preclassification² (if applicable), reclassification³ activities; classification systems used (e.g., International Patent Classification (IPC)); matters concerning indexing of patent information

Such types of classifications available only on BPT.

Abstracting, reviewing, and translation of the information contained in patent documents

Abstracts and formulas are published in the official bulletin of the Intellectual Property Agency in Azerbaijani and Russian languages.

Other activities

III. SOURCES OF PATENT INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE OFFICE

Main types of publications of the Office (patent applications, full text, first pages, abstracts, bibliographic data, granted patents, etc.), medium (on paper, on CDs, online - URLs)

Publication of abstracts and bibliographic indexes on the applications and the formula and bibliographic indexes related to the patent in the official bulletin of the Intellectual Property Agency.

Official Gazettes: main types of announcements, frequency of publication, medium (on paper, on CDs, online - URL), etc.

Publication of the official "Industrial Property" bulletin once a month.

(<http://patent.copat.gov.az/?sid=21>)

Information products and patent document collections (coverage, medium, etc.) available to examiners, including external collections and databases

Information source such as POA system.

Information products and patent document collections (coverage, medium, etc.) available to external users, conditions of access (e.g., free of charge, subscription, etc.)

Relevant information on the applications published in the Official Bulletin can be obtained free of charge from the official website of the Patent and Trademark Examination Center and from the gazette on the request of the applicant by paying fees.

Legal status information (kind of information, coverage, medium, etc.)

Other sources

IV. ICT SUPPORT TO SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES RELATED TO PATENT INFORMATION CARRIED OUT BY THE OFFICE

Specific software tools supporting business procedures within the Office: general description, characteristics, advantages, possible improvements

IPOA and IPAS software tools for clerical claims.

Hardware used to supporting business processes of the Office

Electronic document management hardware system.

Internal databases: coverage, updates, interlinks with external sources

IPOA, Electronic document management System and AZ-Search system are available.

Establishment and maintenance of electronic search file: file building, updating, storage, documents from other offices included in the search file

It is currently planned to be implemented at IPAS System.

Administrative management electronic systems (register, legal status, statistics, and administrative support)

IPOA Administrative management electronic system.

Other matters

V. PROMOTION ACTIVITIES AIMED TO SUPPORT USERS IN ACCESS AND EFFICIENT USE OF PATENT INFORMATION

Patent library: equipment, collection management, network of patent libraries in the country, cooperation with foreign patent libraries

Patent Fund

Publications related to different business procedures and patent information sources available to users, for example, books, brochures, Internet publications, etc.

Obtaining relevant information on the applications published in the official bulletin of the Intellectual Property Agency from the official website.

Office's initiatives on providing foreign patent information in the local language(s) (e.g., machine translation tools, translation of abstracts)

Isn't intended.

Cooperation with universities, research centers, technology and innovation support centers, etc.

The cooperation process with the above-mentioned institutions is carried out.

Education and training: training courses, e-learning modules (URLs), seminars, exhibitions, etc.

Other activities

VI. INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF PATENT INFORMATION

International exchange and sharing of patent information in machine-readable form, e.g., priority documents, bibliographic data, abstracts, search reports, full text information

It is planned to be implemented in the IPAS electronic system.

Participation in international or regional activities and projects related to patent information

Participation in international activities of WIPO and Eurasian Patent Organization.

Assistance to developing countries

Isn't intended.

Other activities

VII. OTHER RELATED MATTERS

1. Classification is allotting one or more classification symbols (e.g., IPC symbols) to a patent application, either before or during search and examination, which symbols are then published with the patent application.

2. Preclassification is allotting an initial broad classification symbol (e.g., IPC class or subclass, or administrative unit) to a patent application, using human or automated means for internal administrative purposes (e.g., routing an application to the appropriate examiner). Usually preclassification is applied by the administration of an office.

3. Reclassification is the reconsideration and usually the replacement of one or more previously allotted classification symbols to a patent document, following a revision and the entry into force of a new version of the Classification system (e.g., the IPC). The new symbols are available on patent databases.