



# WIPO CASE Service

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# Overview

- **Background**
- **WIPO CASE Service**
- **Enhanced Functions of WIPO CASE**
- **Future Development**

# Background

## ■ March 2011

- Became operational for Vancouver Group Offices (AU, CA and GB)

## ■ July 2012

- Access to AU application data and documents through web services

## ■ September 2013

- Access to PCT application data and documents

## ■ April 2014

- Access to JP application data and documents under CASE – OPD linkage pilot

# Background

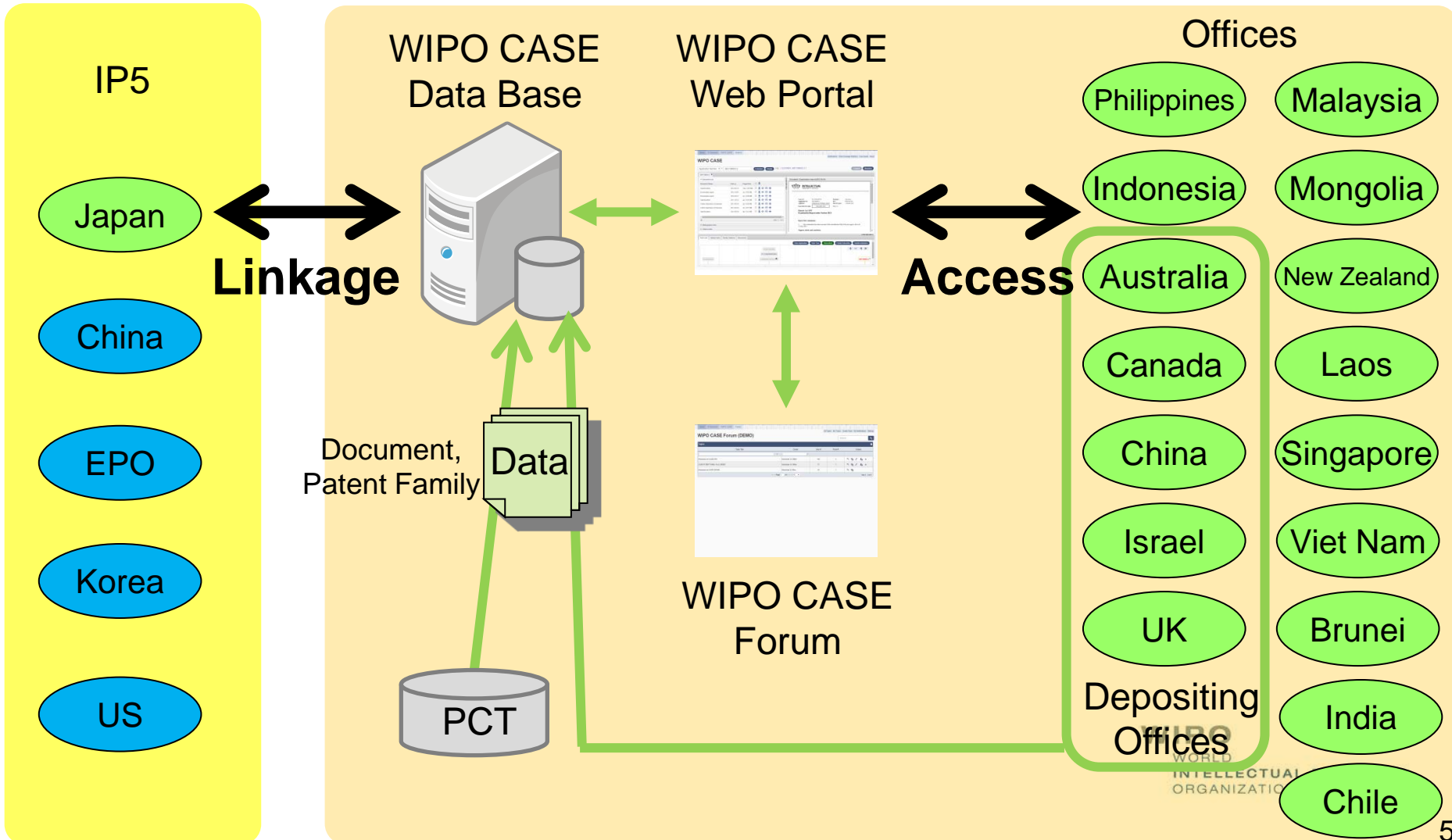
## ■ April 2015

- Release of WIPO CASE 3.0
- Offices operational under CASE framework
  - AU, CA, GB, IL and CN as both **Depositing** and **Accessing** Offices
  - MN, NZ, IN, BN, ID, LA, MY, PH, SG, VN and CL as Accessing Offices
- Offices operational under CASE – OPD linkage pilot
  - AU, CA, GB, IL and JP as both Depositing and Accessing Offices
  - ID, PH and MY as Accessing Offices
- PCT data operational under CASE framework and CASE – OPD linkage pilot

# WIPO CASE Service - Outline

**OPD**

**WIPO-CASE**



# WIPO CASE Service - Outline

## ■ Who can use?

- Examiners of participating offices

## ■ When and where can you use?

- Accessible on the Internet through authentication

## ■ What can you use?

- Patent family data
- Bibliographic data
- Documents (specification, examination results)
- Citation (AU,CN, GB, JP)

Printable and viewable Pdf file

## ■ Why do you use?

- Improve efficiency and quality of examination

## ■ How do you use?

- Number search (application, publication)

# WIPO CASE Service – Patent Family

## ■ Patent Family Data

- National applications and PCT applications
  - Application (numbers and dates)
  - Publication (numbers, kind codes and dates)
  - Priority application (numbers and dates)
  - National phase entry application (numbers and dates)
- Covered with AU, CA, CN, GB, IL, JP, PCT, ID, PH, SG, MY, VN
- Family building includes only applications loaded in WIPO CASE
- Update daily

# WIPO CASE Service – Patent Family

## ■ Patent Family Search

Application	Priorities					
A1				P1		
A2				P1	P2	
A3				P1	P2	
A4					P2	P3
A5						P3
A6	A1					
A7		A5	A6			

### ➤ Simple search

- One level backward and then one level forward

### ➤ Extended search

- All sets of applications related by priority or national phase entry



# WIPO CASE Service - Document Data

Office	AU	CA	GB	IB	CN	IL	JP
Applications published since	2006	2008	2008	1978			
Published applications that are filed on and after					Feb 10, 2010	Jan 1, 2010	Dec 1, 1990
Specifications (e.g. claims, description, amendment)	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Outgoing Documents (e.g. search report, examination document)	Yes		Yes	Yes Including translation	Yes Including translation	Yes Including translation	Yes Including translation

# WIPO CASE Service - Document Data

## ■ GB

- Specification (A pub, B pub, Description), Claims etc.
- Search statement, Examination report etc.

## ■ AU

- Claims, Description, Drawings etc.
- Patent Examination Report, Notice of acceptance etc.

## ■ JP

- Claims, Description, Drawings etc.
- Notification of Reason for Refusal, Decision to grant a patent etc.

## ■ PCT

- Published international application etc.
- ISR, IPRP etc.

# Possible Scene for Use of WIPO CASE

## ■ Routes for filing to offices

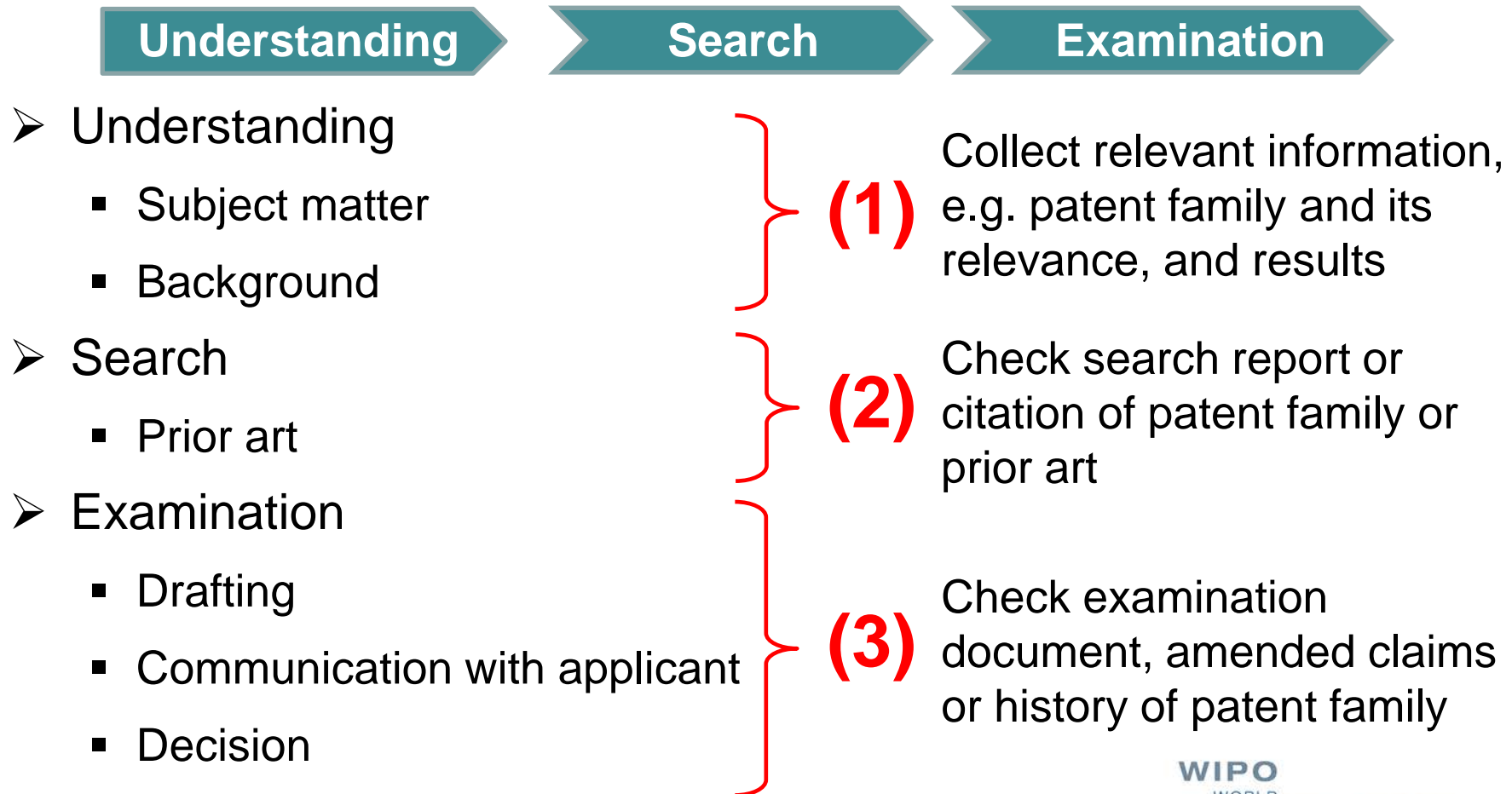
- Domestic
- PCT route
- Paris Convention route



- Applications are filed by foreign applicants, and some come through PPH.
- In the case of applications filed from depositing offices like AU or JP, examination results at each office can be available on WIPO CASE.
- Examiners can search for patent family by using application numbers or priority numbers etc.

# Possible Scene for Use of WIPO CASE

## ■ Example of examination procedure



# Benefit

## ■ Easy accessibility to Centralized Information

- All information displayed on one portal without referring to each offices' web site.
- Patent family DB to show globally relevant applications

## ■ Comprehensive Collection of Examination Results

- Collection of documents covers whole examination procedure, e.g. search report and examination document until final decision.

## ■ Less Language Barrier by Translation

- Documents in non-English language are translated by machine or manual translation.

# Enhanced Functions of WIPO CASE

## ■ New WIPO CASE Web Portal

- Improved usability of user interface
  - Time line
  - Comparison of documents
  - Translation
  - Subscription and notification
  - Linkage to PATENTSCOPE

## ■ Other Functions Improved on WIPO CASE

- Citation data (GB)
- History of publication data (GB, PCT)

# Future Development of WIPO CASE

## ■ Enhancement of Data Collection on WIPO CASE

- Addition of patent family data of participating offices
- Access to GB application documents through web services (same as IPSUM)
- Enhancement of accumulation of CA data

## ■ Participation of More IP5 Offices under CASE – OPD Linkage Pilot

- Access to US and KR data under discussion

## ■ Further Enhancement of Service

- Public service of CASE through PATENTSCOPE
- Communication platform with smooth linkage to CASE