



WIPO Sequence

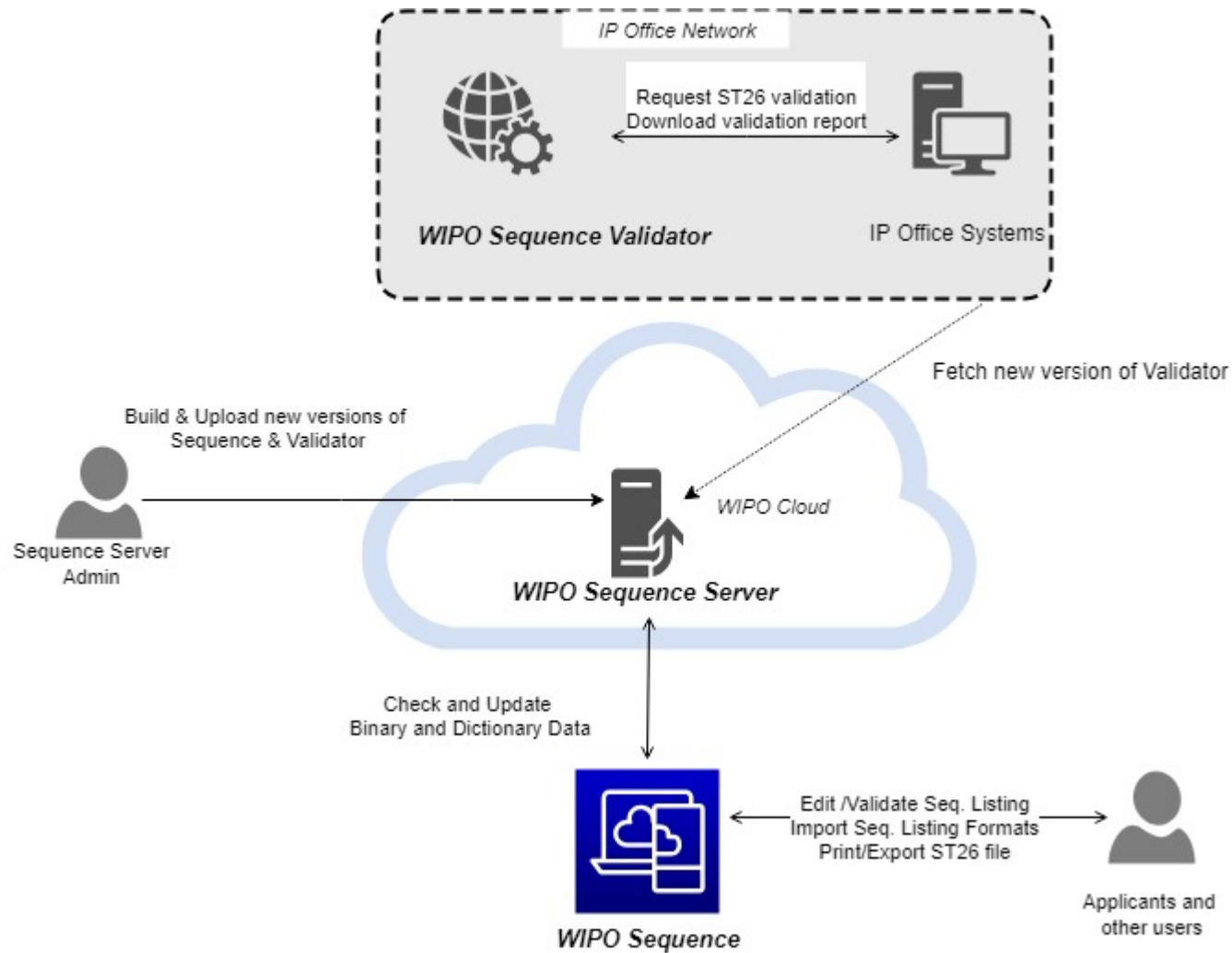
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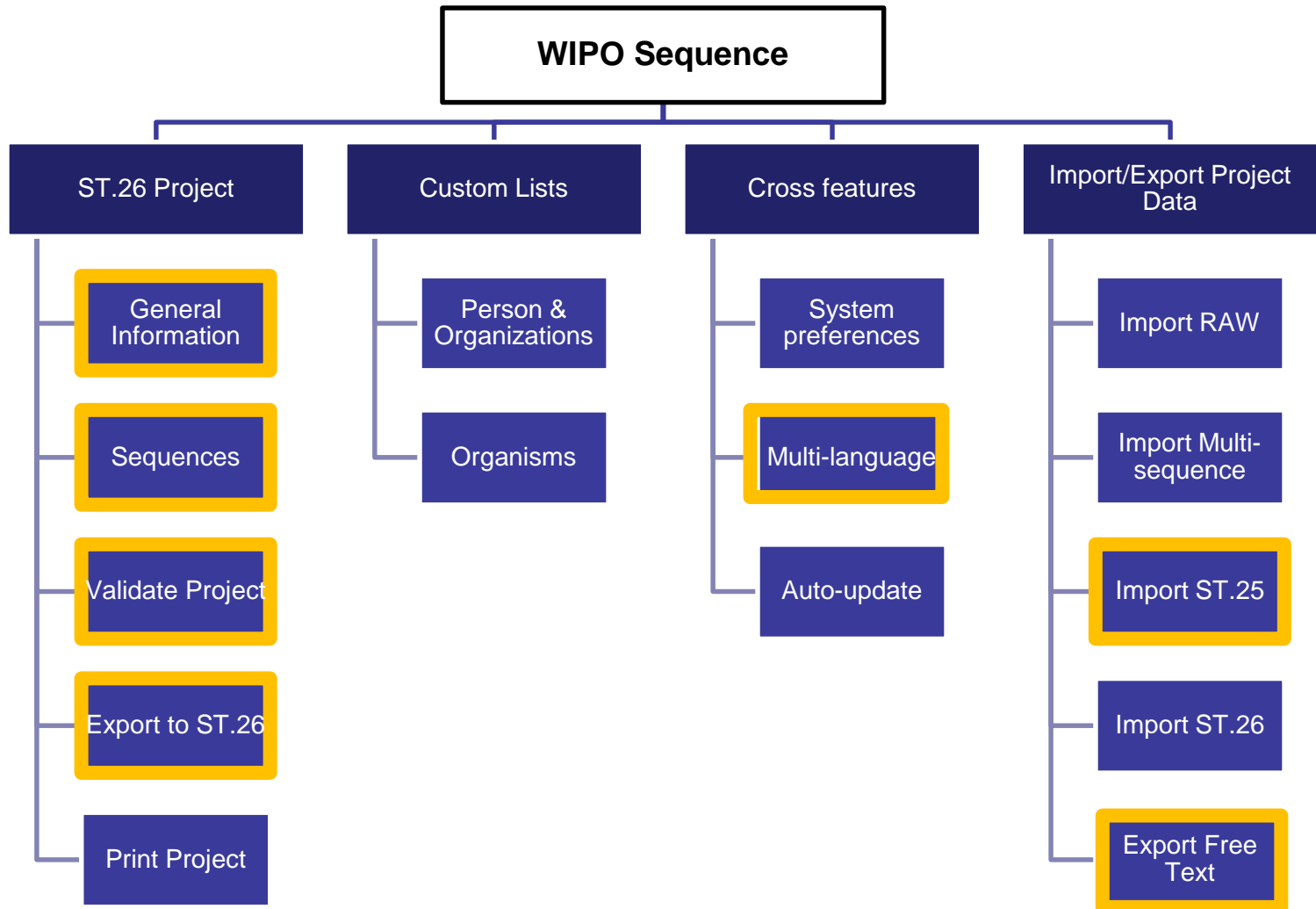
Background

- Member States requested the International Bureau to develop a common software to support the implementation of WIPO ST.26 at national and international level
- Official Name of the tool: WIPO Sequence
- Development in collaboration with IP Offices and End Users, including applicants, since 2017

Overview



WIPO Sequence: Main Functions

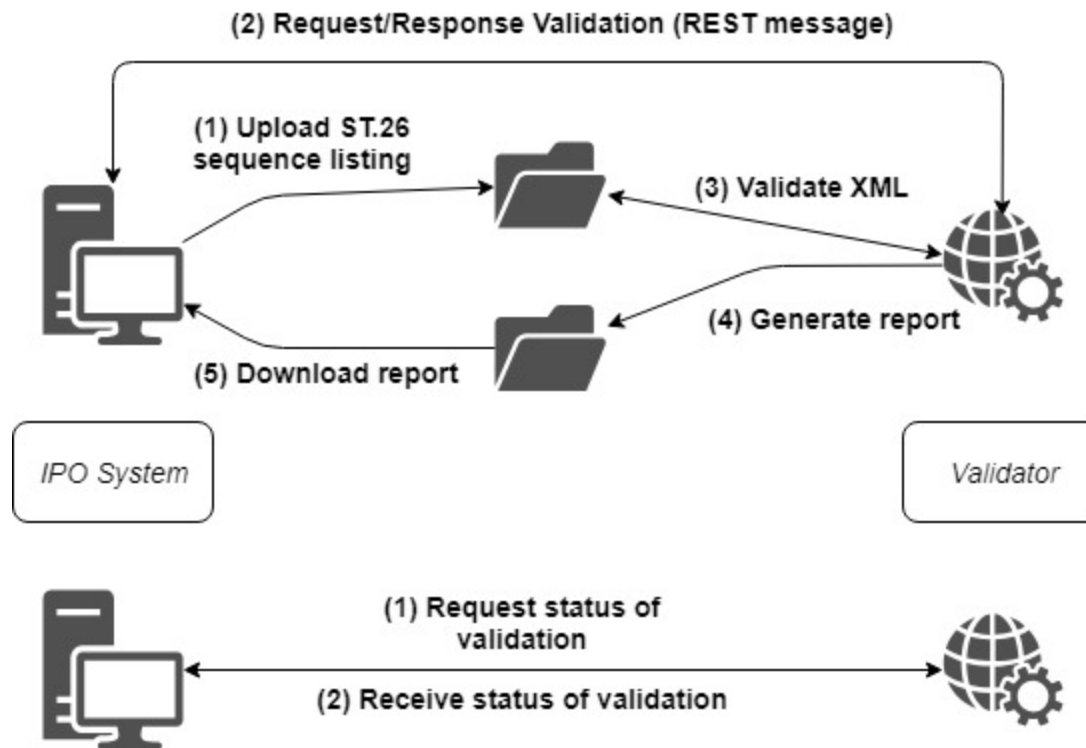


Demonstration of WIPO Sequence

WIPO Sequence Validator

- Components of WIPO Sequence integrated into IP Office IT environments
- Validates the submission from an applicant to determine it is ST.26 compliant
- Inbox: sequence listing, Outbox: validation report
- Two types of validation: formality and full

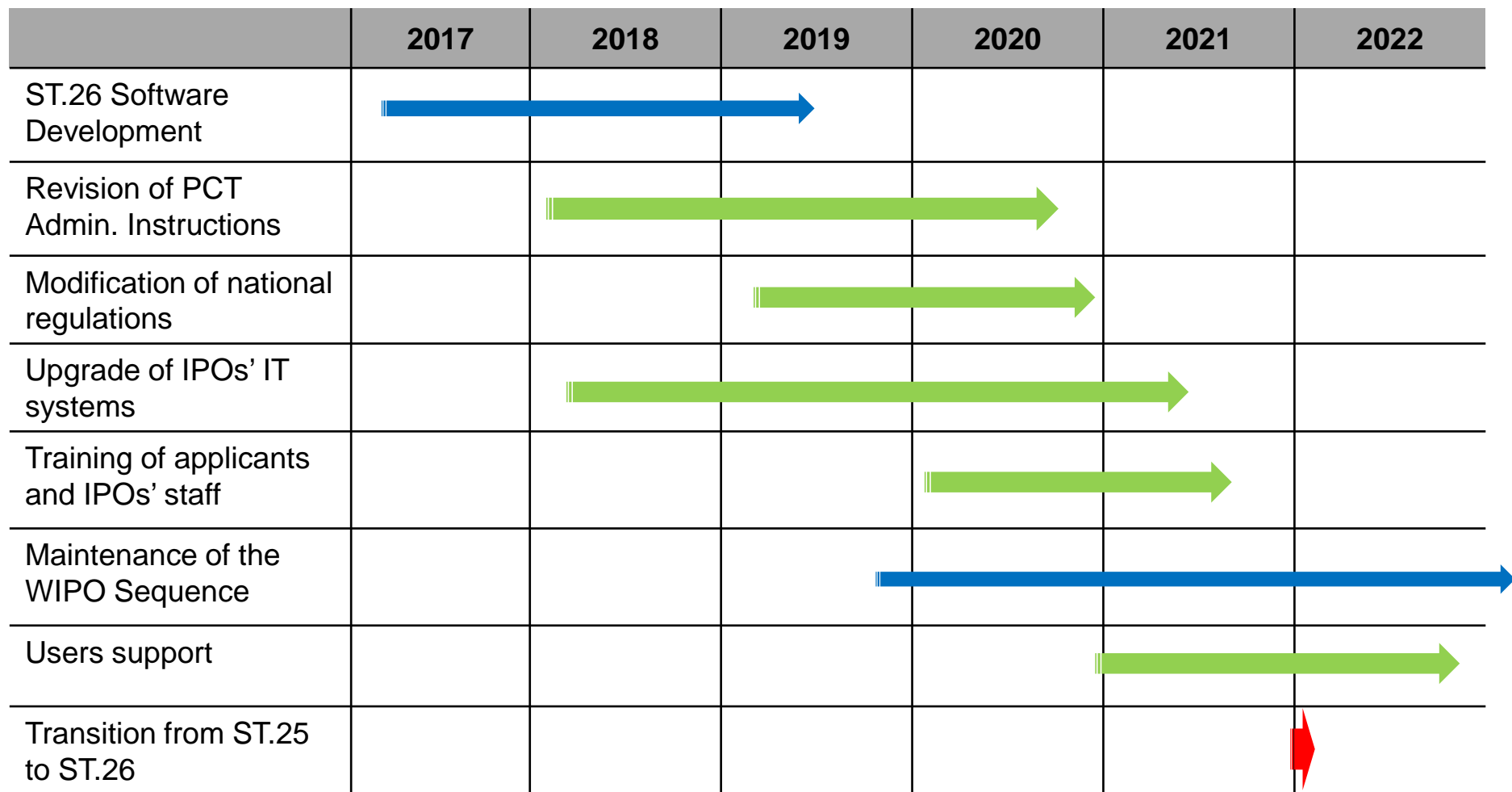
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Big-Bang Implementation: ST.26

- From 1 January 2022, **all** IP Offices must implement WIPO ST.26 at national and international level
- This may require amendments to national/international rules and administrative instructions as well as upgrades to IT systems
- IP Offices will also need to support applicants in their transition from ST.25
- Other IP Offices are **strongly encouraged** to start considering their implementation plans as soon as possible in order to be ready

Model ST.26 Transition Roadmap



ST.26 Implementation Plans

- Already provided by the IP5 + IP Australia
- Are available on the wiki here:

<https://www3.wipo.int/confluence/display/ST26software/ST.26+Implementation+Plan>

Next Steps

- Finalizing the current project – Acceptance Testing with IP offices and end users
- First release of WIPO Sequence: second half of 2019
- WIPO/IB plans to add more functionalities in the next version to be released in 2020
- Organize training for IP offices staff and end users
- Setup User Support at WIPO/IB and IP Offices
- IP Offices and Users start internal implementation of ST.26 using WIPO Sequence tools