



**Republic of Sudan - Ministry of Justice
Registrar General of Intellectual Property
IP Statistics**

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Greetings:

On behalf of the Government of IP Sudan office , I am pleased and honored to express to you my deep thanks for your great efforts to enrich the issue of Intellectual Property in the Africa ,and particular attention to the development of IP sector And the focus firmly on the effective and significant topics such as the subject of the statistical reporting Intellectual Property

Historical Background :

- The trademark Act 1931 and registration of trademarks and service marks.
- In 1971, a patent law was enacted and came into force and was implemented after the enactment.
- In 1974 an Industrial law was passed.
- The Sudan interim National Constitution 2005 stated that IP rights of federal issues and branches of IP offices can be instituted at state levels

Historical Background :

- signing and ratifying a number of international treaties, conventions and agreements such as:
- The world Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), in 1974.
- The African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO), in 1987.
- The patent Cooperation Treaty, in 1984.
- Paris Convention for Industrial Property , in 1984.
- The Madrid Agreement for the registration of Trademarks in 1984.
- The Harare Protocol, 1992.
- Berne Convention of Copyright, in 2002.
- The Madrid Protocol for the Registration of Trademarks in 2009.

Historical Background :

- **Geneva Act for industrial Designs, 2000**
- **Singapore treaty. 2007.**
- **Patent law Treaty (PLT) – signatories, June 1 2000**

Intellectual Property Instrument handling the IP matters:

- The registrar General of Intellectual Property Department (Focal Point), ministry of Justice.
- The Federal council of literary & Artists Works, 1972, Ministry of Culture.
- The Attorney office of IP, 2004 Ministry of Justice.
- The Intellectual Property court, 2004
- The police and custom Duty, Ministry of Interior

IPO Procedure:

- Under the office of trademarks applications for protection are subjected to substantial examination .
- In relation to patents and industrial designs the examiners only examine the application procedurally.

Statistical figures of the applications of industrial property until 31- August 2016 :

Trademarks:

National filling : more than 56,800 .

International filling more than: 11.200.

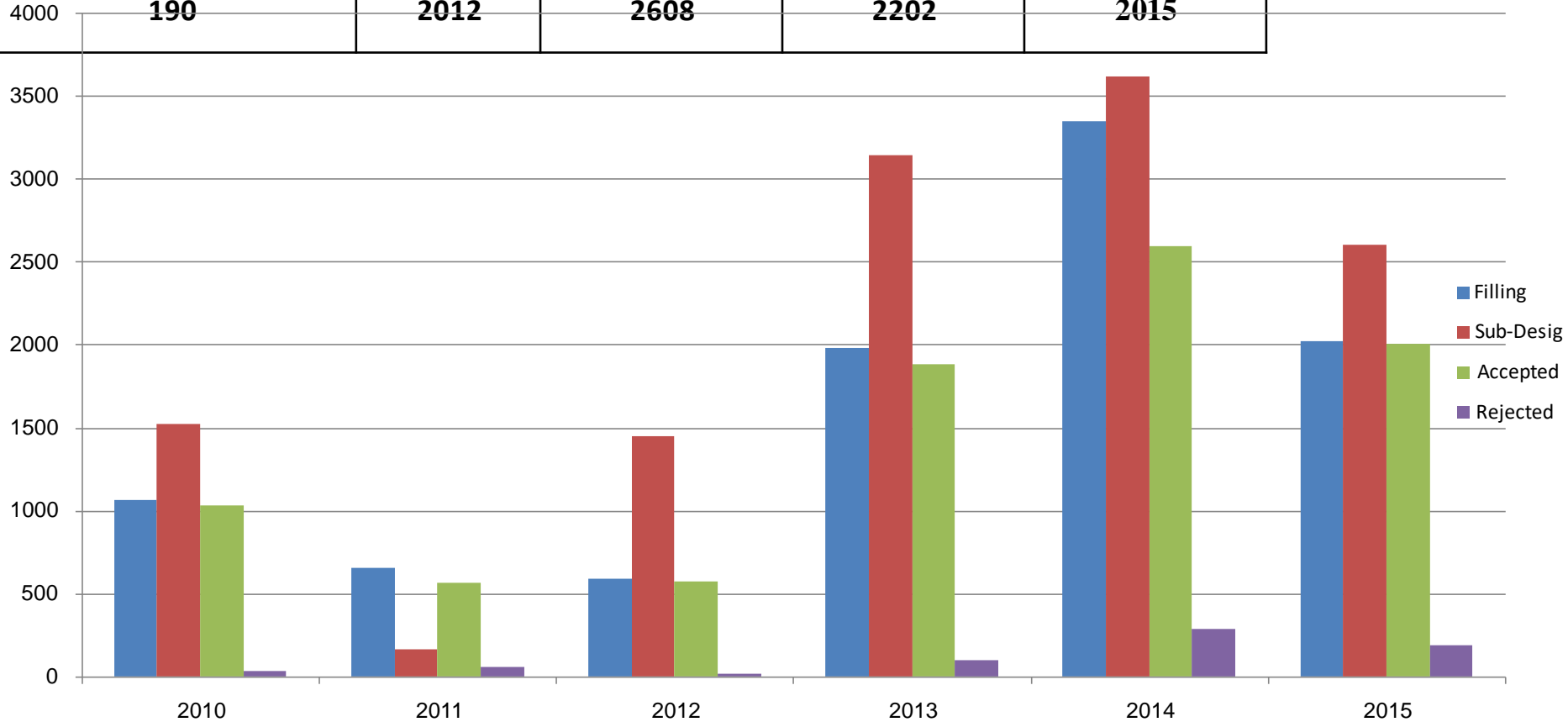
Patent filling (National) more than: 4.200.

Industrial Design filling (National) more than 1550.

PCT filling 540.

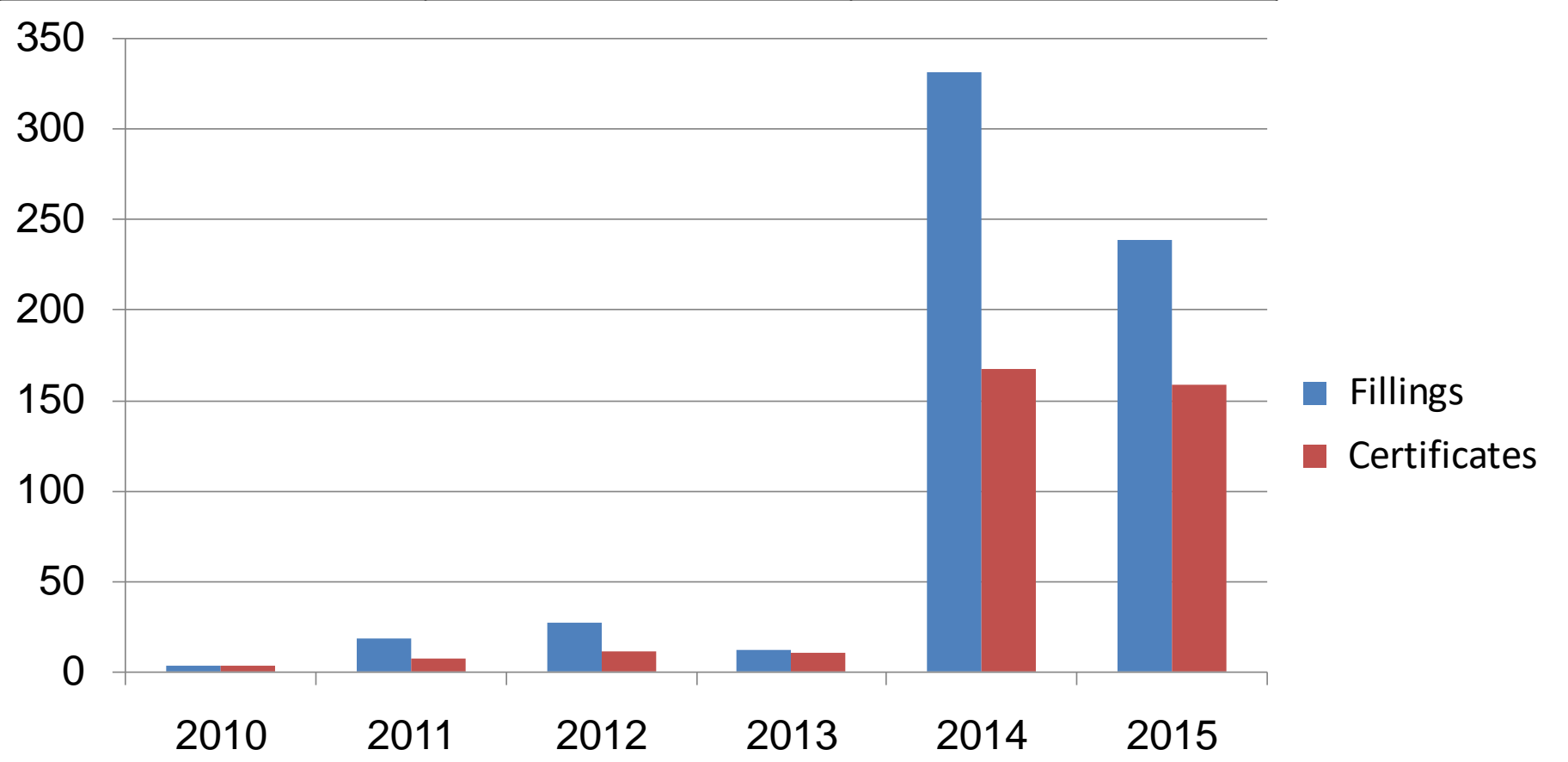
Trade Marks

Rejected	Accepted	Subsequent Designations	Fillings	Year
36	1030	1525	1066	2010
57	565	1650	652	2011
15	575	1447	590	2012
102	1885	3148	1987	2013
290	2602	3624	3354	2014
190	2012	2608	2202	2015



Certificates	Fillings	Year
3	3	2010
7	18	2011
11	27	2012
10	12	2013
167	331	2014
158	238	2015

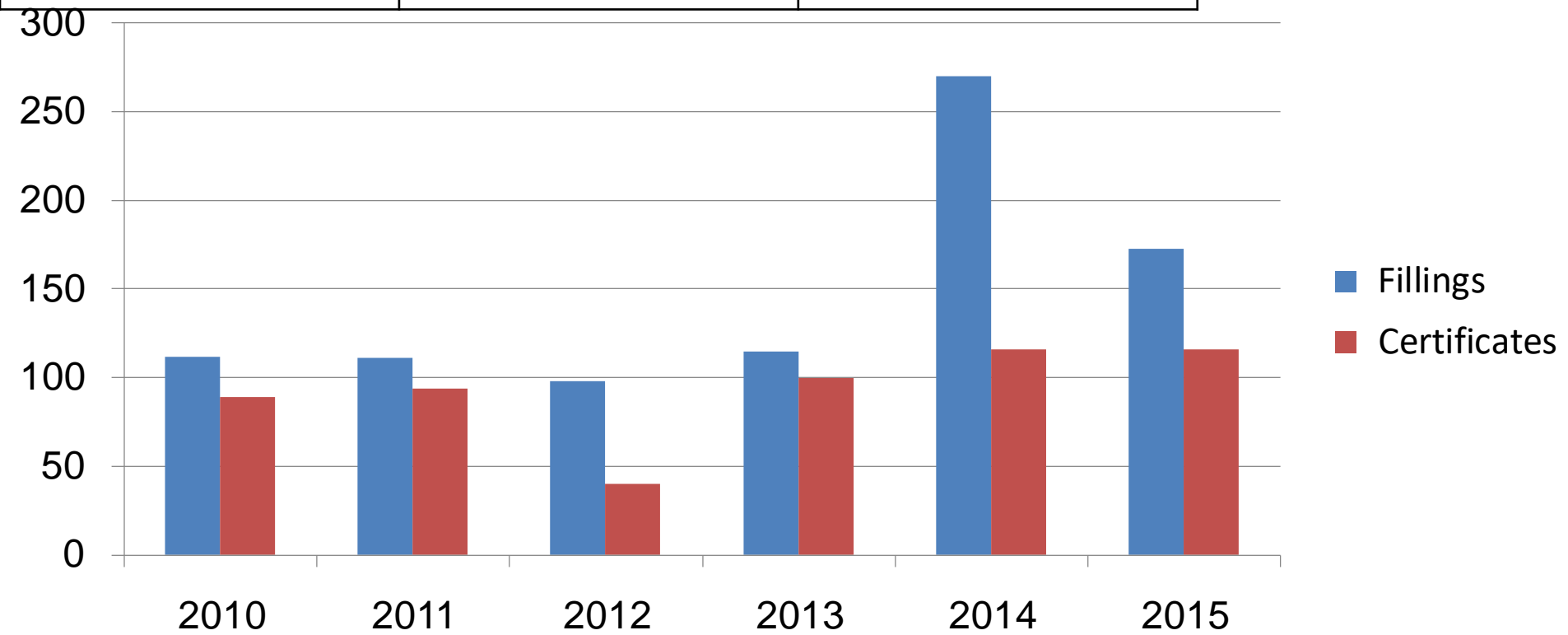
National Patent



Certificates	Fillings	year
89	112	2010
94	111	2011
40	98	2012
100	115	23
116	270	2014
111	173	2015

Industrial

Design



Enforcement of Intellectual Property Laws :

- In Sudan the enforcement lies on various national organs including:
 - The General Registrar of Intellectual Property, as the focal point that played
 - Its role with great efficiency.
- The Federal Council implements the law on copyright and related rights for literary and artistic works, a department within the Ministry of Culture.

Achievements (Work environment) :

- The new building .
- Counter with guidance window (Signboards)
- P.O box (internal) for all Agents and lawyers .
- Establishment of an office for the agents and lawyers .

IT - Current situation:

In the framework of the implementation of the agreements signed between the Republic of Sudan and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) Development Plan Agreement and activating the automation and archive items, They applied to give us the database programs (included work flow) and electronic archiving.

The department web site :

Our IT department designed website ipsudan.gov.sd contains all the laws and rules and treaties(national , regional ,international) , all agreements on intellectual property and upload all forms (registration and all subsequent actions) to be online

Capacity Building and Training Hall :

In order to raise the capacity of workers and raise awareness in the field of intellectual property to customers and agent and other related sector , training hall was equipped with excellent specifications (Sound system and projectors and LED screen and good furniture and ...)

library : (Electronic and hard books)

Challenges :

- Updating and complete the data base of (Trademarks, Patents, Industrial design).
- The existing of IP laws need to be updated according to the regional and international agreements.
- Coordination and cooperation between the IP sectors .
- Lack of finance fund, we have no separated fund .
- Coordination and cooperation between the IP sectors These are subjects of high authority policies.
- Need of technical assistance and training human resources.

Achievements made in order to raise filing rates and adjust reports and Statistics:

* Establishing Capacity Building and raise awareness **Hall** and **library** (Electronic and hard books) .

* For updating database now we using twenty engineers (In national service) (disciplines associated with computer).

•IT current situation is put in line with specifications set by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) experts .

• Starting update IP laws:

- 1- Accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO).
- 2- Protection of geographical indication .

IP Sudan staff:

Managerial : 5

Legal adviser : 15

TM examiner : 30

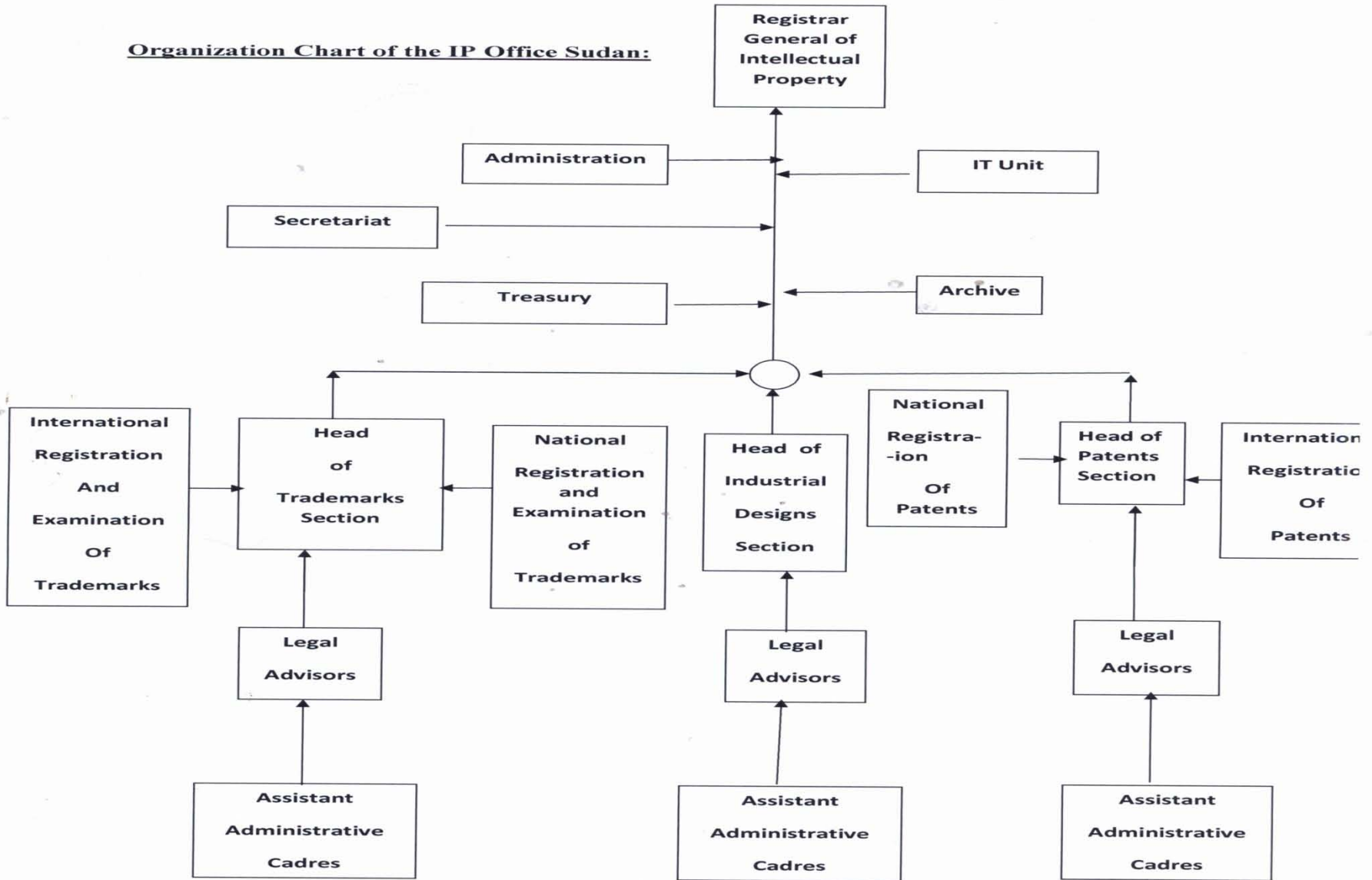
ID examiner : 9

Patent examiner: 13

IT staff : 7

Support staff : 5

Organization Chart of the IP Office Sudan:



Workload :

Workload (about) – weekly for :

TM-national- filling : 100-130

TM-national- sub sequent procedure : 150-200

TM-international- filling : 10-15

TM-international- sub sequent procedure : 40-50

Patent - national- filling : 20 – 30

Patent - national- sub sequent procedure : 20 – 30

Patent - regional- filling : 10-20

Patent - regional- sub sequent procedure : 30-40

Patent – international(PCT)- filling : 0 - 2

ID - national- filling : 20- 30

ID - national- sub sequent procedure : 20-30

ID - regional - filling : 10-20

ID - regional - sub sequent procedure : 30-40

Data storage :

We still using traditional ways beside new ways of information technology , we have archive unit with racks , shelf , boxes and cupboard . That for saving hard files , statistics sheets save in box files archived and indexed by (department , year, month, procedure type) .

IP Sudan office has five servers protected by fire wall , one of them for WIPO IPAS soft ware and other for archiving. Also it has SQL data base we are making a daily backup (internally) and weekly using external Hard desk, IT of Ministry of Justice now arranging with international company for external backup .

Usage of IP statistics by others :

- Ministry of Justice.
- Council of Ministers.
- The National Council.
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- Customs Police.
- Activists in the IP field and researchers who belong to official sectors.
- Students (Bachelor and Post-Graduate).

Conclusion :

We note that this era is the era of the revolution of intellectual property, statistic reports for Intellectual Property one of the most important pillars, their accuracy and uniform using same methodology and portability to be internationally comparable form it's very important matter. We thank you for choosing this effective and great topic that will effect positively on management , economic, political and other decisions.

We looking forward to continue our fruitful cooperation's.



lecture in IP concept for the legal advisors of ministry of justice



Lectures in Sudanese universities- The Future University .

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Counsel In Charge



Manual Registration Counter With Counsel in charge .



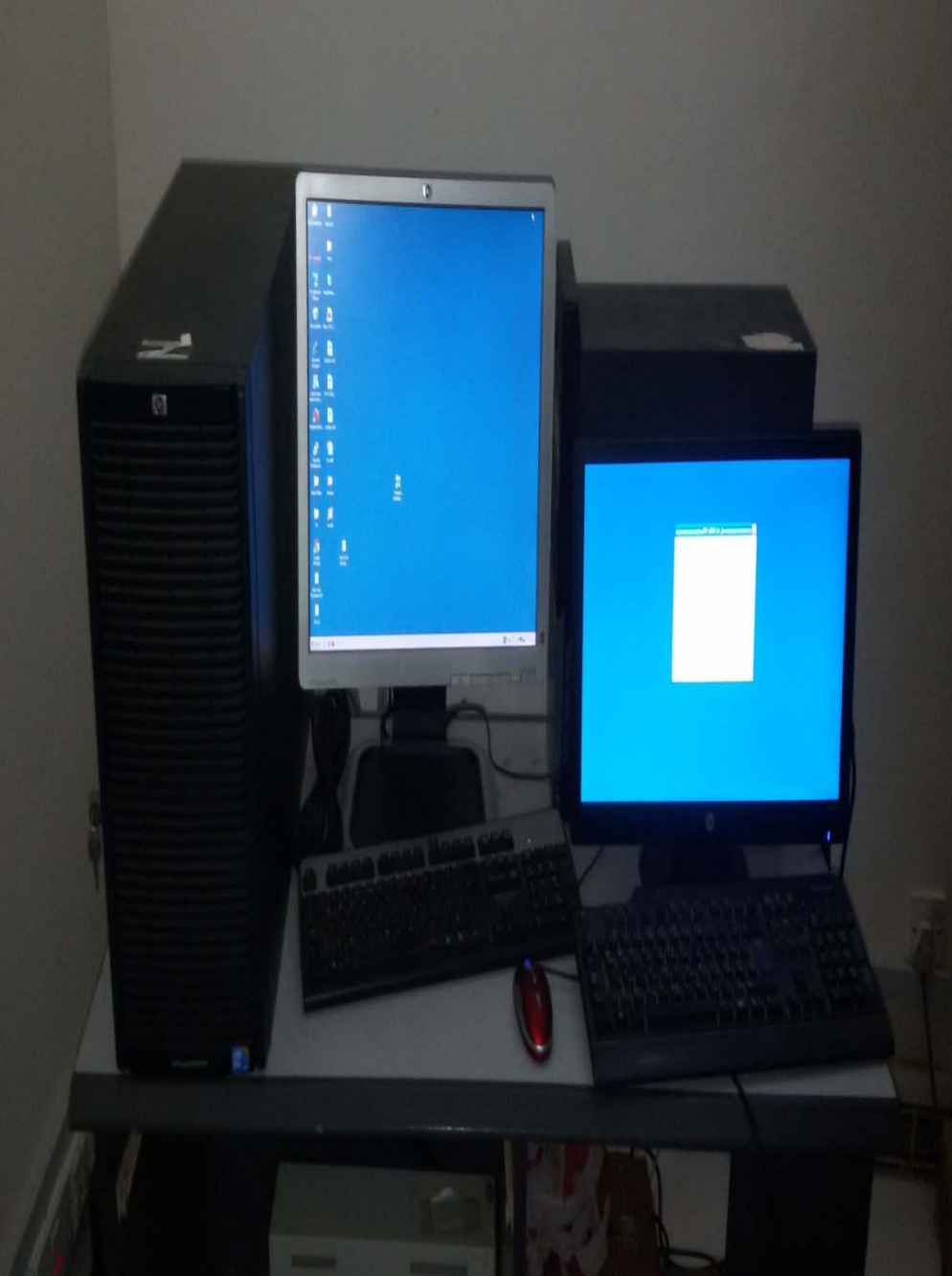
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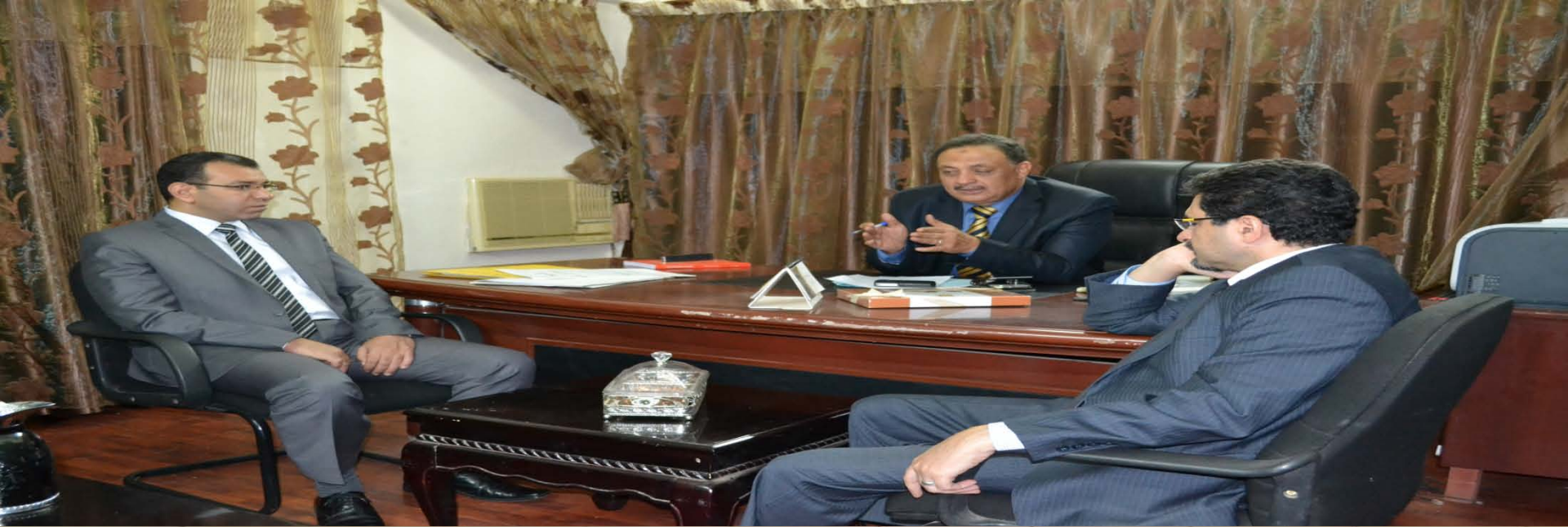
Manual Filling and electronic Filling – Patients



Eternal Agent and Loweres P.O Box



Servers Room



**Meeting preparing to Run IPAS and WIPO scan –WIPO experts –Minister of Justice – Under
sectary Ministry of Justice**



WIPO experts of geographical indication visited Sudan – North Kordfan State



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