

**General Directorate  
of  
Industrial Property  
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# Historical Overview of the Patent System in Saudi Arabia

- KACST started processing patents in 1982 pursuant to the Royal Decree approving the Kingdom accession to the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).
- Recognizing that the subject of Intellectual Property is essentially about the registration of patents and the regulation of technology transfer.

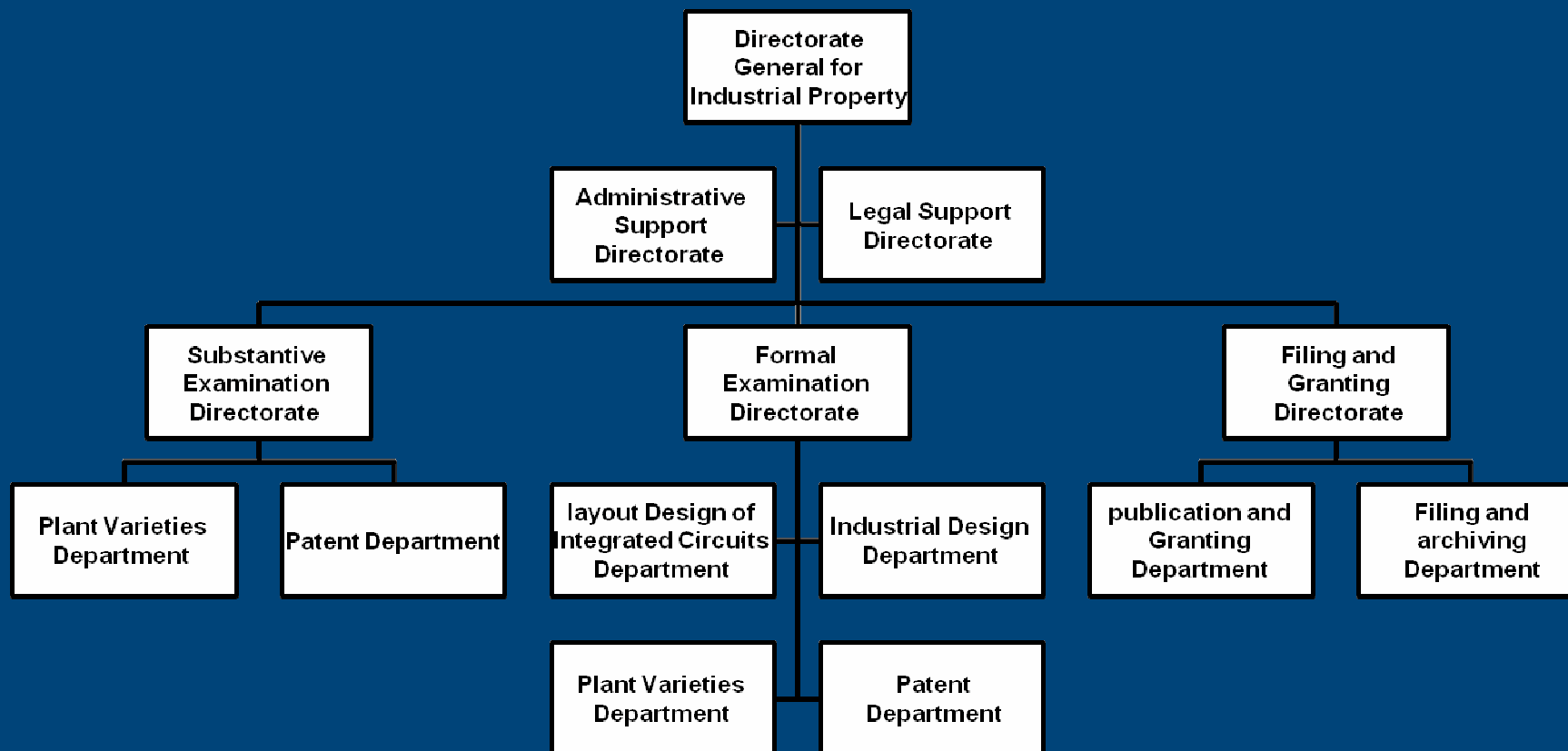
- The first Patent Law in the Kingdom was issued by the Royal Decree No. (38/M) dated 10/6/1409 H(1989) , aiming to provide full protection for inventions within the kingdom, and it has been modified as a new law in 2004.

- The new law, "Law of Patents, Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits, Plant Varieties, and Industrial Designs " was issued by the Royal Decree No. (27/M) dated in 29/5/1425 H.(2004)
- The Law was published in the Official Gazette (Um AlQura) and entered into force in 2004.

# Organizational Structure of the Directorate General

- The Directorate general is divided into five sub directorates:
- **Filing and Granting Directorate:** handles filing and archiving of protection applications.
- **Formal Examination Directorate:** performs formal examination of protection applications.
- **Substantive Examination Directorate:** performs
- Substantive examination of protection applications.
- **Legal Support Directorate:** provides legal support for the Directorate General.
- **Administrative Support Directorate:** provides administrative , financial and technical support for the Directorate General

# Organizational Structure of Directorate General for Industrial Property



# Manpower

<b>Directorate</b>	<b>Employees Number</b>
<b>Substantive Examination</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Formal Examination</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Filing and Granting</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Legal Support</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Administrative Support</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Supreme Administrative</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Others (Office-)</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>

# Manpower Academic Qualification

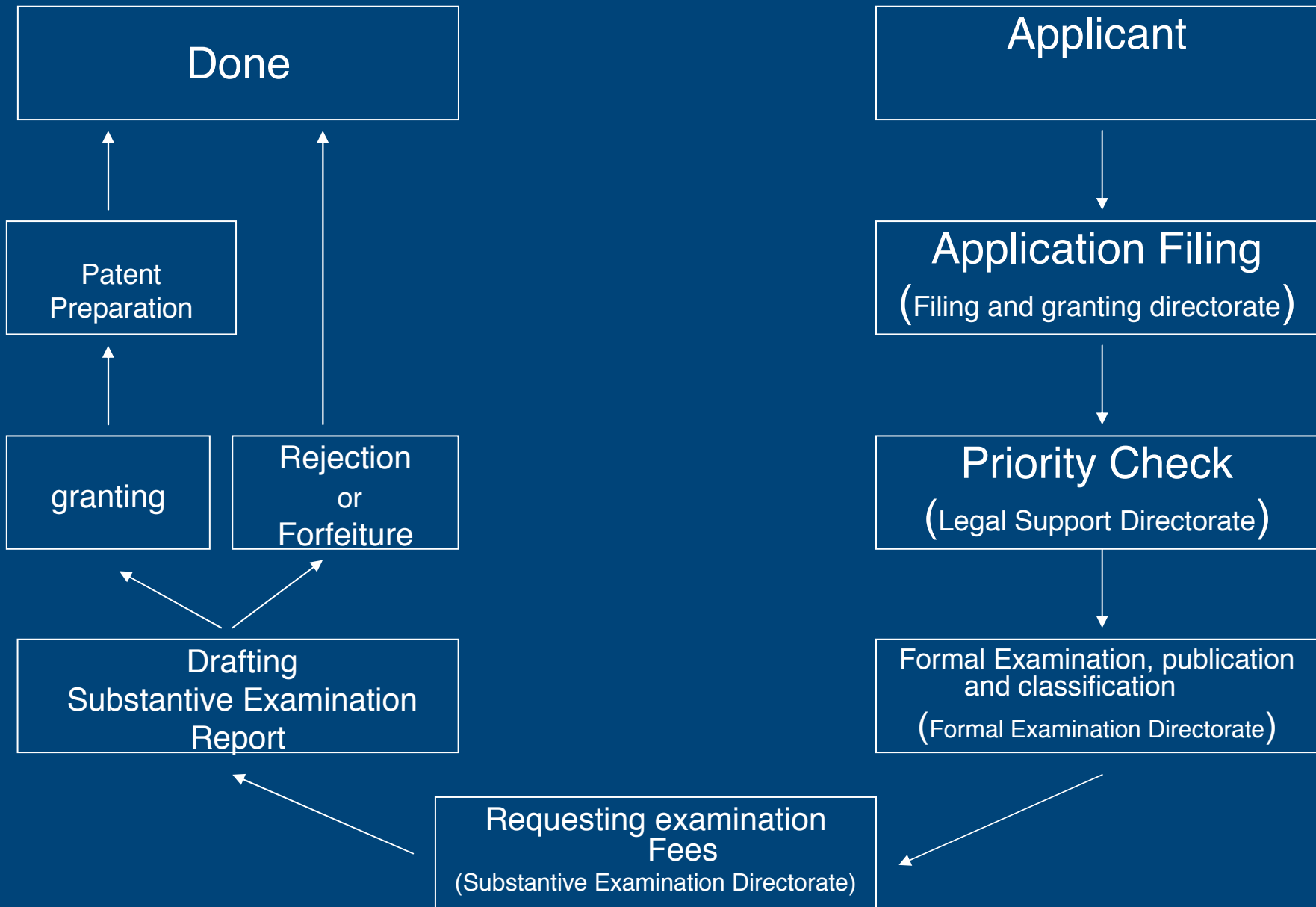
Qualification	Number
Doctorate	1
Master's degree	4
Bachelor's degree	49
Technical College Diploma	5
Institution of Public Administration Diploma	8
High School certificate	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>

# Manpower Cadre

Cadre	Number
Academic	1
Official	57
KACST contract	20
Directorate contract	8
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>86</b>

# Patent Applications workflow

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## Substantive examination Directorate

### Patent Department Groups

#### Chemical Group (1)

**Mutab Aldossary**  
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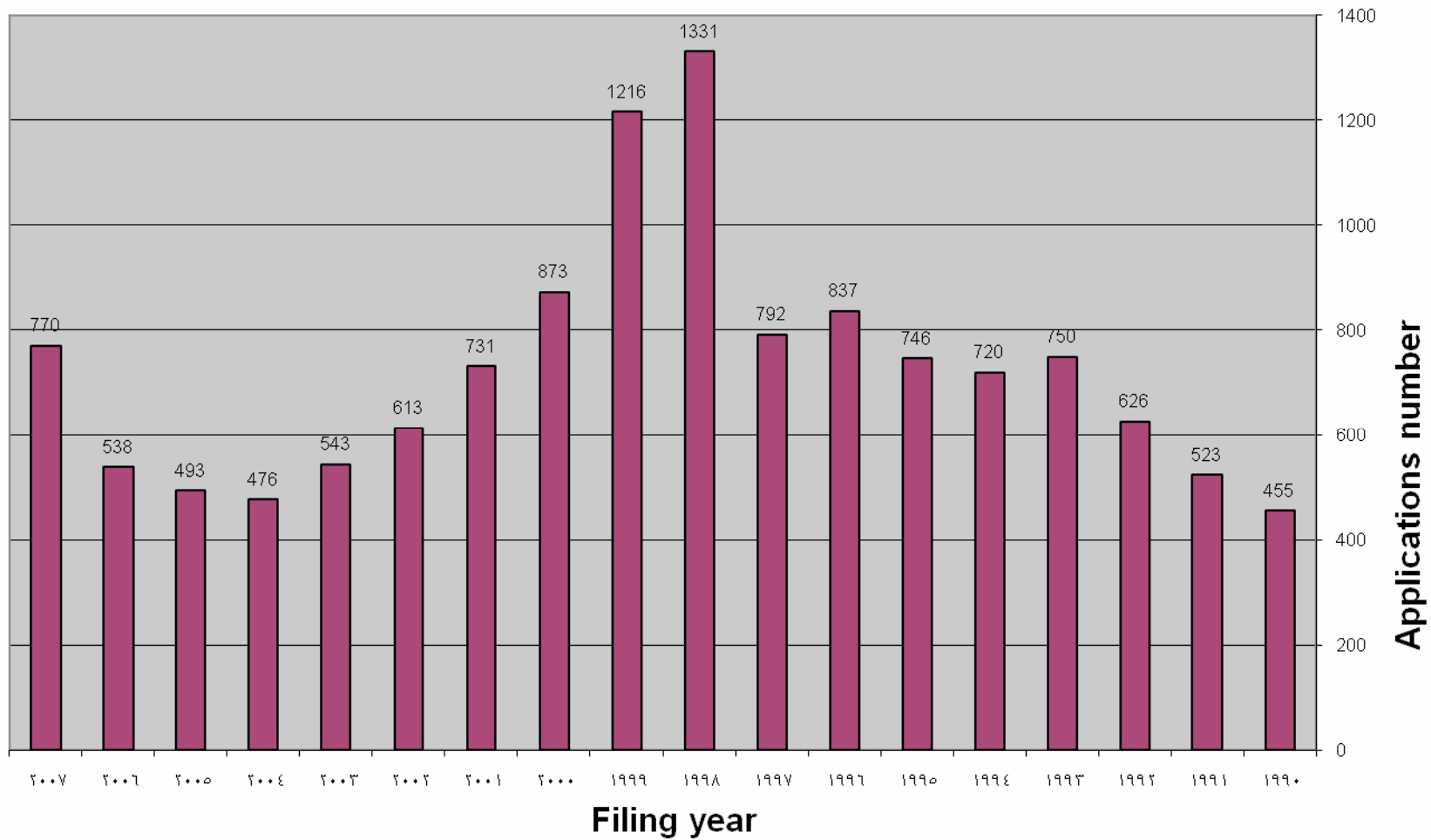
Hawas Abdullah  
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Saad Alshammari  
Bander bin Suned

**- Directorate General Achievements**

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**- Statistics on Patents and industrial  
Designs**

# Number of filed applications (Annual statistics)



## Statistics on Patents

Year	Filed Applications	Finished Applications	Under-processing Applications	Pending Applications
2000 and pre-2000	9203	9203	None	None
2001	731	717	14	None
2002	613	552	61	None
2003	542	444	98	None
2004	477	302	175	None
2005	493	219	221	53
2006	540	121	20	399
2007	770	32	None	738
TOTAL	13369	11590	589	1190

## Industrial Designs

Year	Filed Applications	Finished Applications	Under-processing Applications	Pending Applications
2004	50	50	None	None
2005	214	214	None	None
2006	256	247	9	None
2007	494	284	21	189
TOTAL	1014	795	30	189

**Thank You**