

#### **CWS/10**

Blockchain for IP ecosystem

Adam Stubbings
New Technologies Service
Digital Transformation Department





Service roadmap



Sandbox and use cases





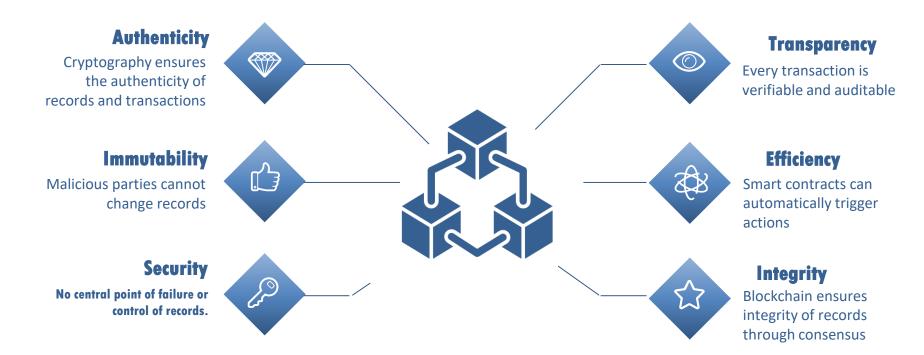
Service roadmap



Sandbox and use cases











**EU and International Offices July 2020 to June 2025** 



- Batch data transfer to TM& Design View
- Error prone
- Unrealised potential

#### **Integration of:**

- 26 EU IPOs incl. EUIPO
- Potential extension abroad

- Near real-time data transfer
- Network benefits
- Modern service platform



### Project benefits



Blockchain network improves security and stability



Improved timeliness with real-time data transfer



Embrace blockchain to keep pace with IP sector direction

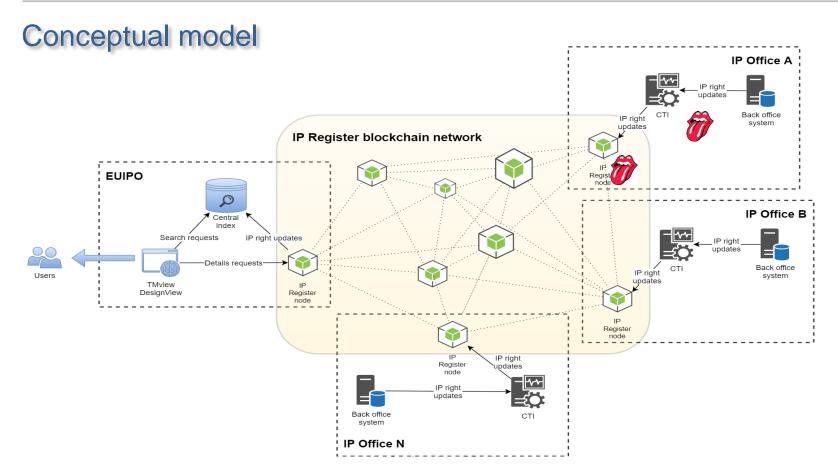


Economic benefits from improved operations and increased efficiencies



Hi integrity platform opportunity for more and more trusted services











#### Network successfully established

- Blockchain network of nodes EUIPO, Malta, Estonia, Lithuania and Poland
- Proven onboarding process



#### More onboarding of offices

- In progress Hungary, Italy, Latvia and Portugal
- Further talks for 2023 participation



#### History & Extract service arrival

- Go-live Q4 2022
- Blockchain history can be viewed, shared and extracted



#### •Further services under development

- Certificates and priority claims services
- Potential IP Wallet for rights holder identification and access to IP
- ECP5 and sandbox to shape new services



### Office Integrations



















	EUIPO	Malta	Estonia	Lithuania	Poland	Hungary	Italy	Latvia	Portugal
Specification	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	*	✓	*	*
Development	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Test & train	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		
Technical Go- Live	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		*		
TMDS Go- Live	✓ 2m TM ✓ 1.4m Des	Q1 21 ✓ 62k TM 2022 <b>⅍</b> 1k Des	Apr 22 ✓ 64k TM Apr 22 ✓ 2k Des	Feb 22 ✓ 90k TM Feb 22 ✓ 4k Des	Q4 22 ✓ 34k Des	Q1 23 🛠 135k TM Q1 23 🛠 15k Des	Q4 22 🛠 1.09m TM	Q1 23 🛠 67k TM Q1 23 🛠 3k Des	Q1 23 🛠 554k TM Q1 23 🛠 57k Des





Service roadmap



Sandbox and use cases



### Why Blockchain?

## Native blockchain capabilities make IP Register in Blockchain a natural platform for new services

 Timestamped evidence of state and ownership

Timestamping



 Automated IP Office interactions

Smart contracts



 Cryptographic authenticity of certificates

Proof of existence



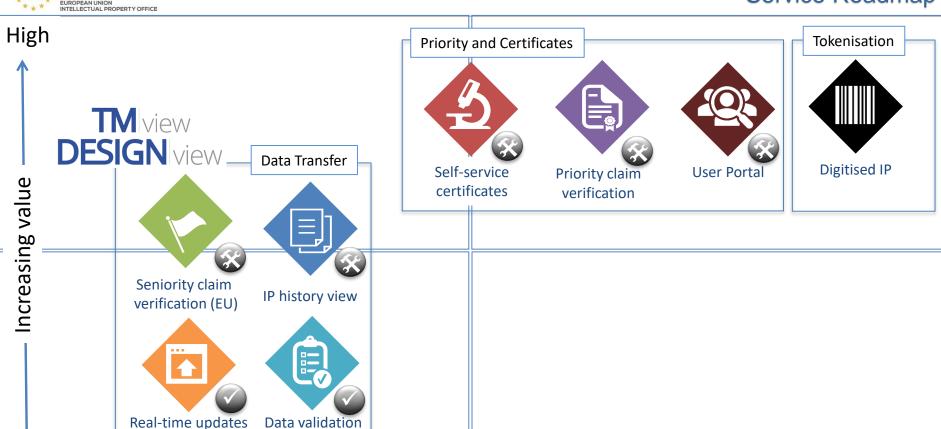
Distributed rights holder ID

Decentralised identifiers





#### Service Roadmap



**Increasing Implementation Effort** 

High





Service roadmap



Sandbox and use cases







Optimised
Priority Claims
for IP Filings



Automated Priority Claim validation



Self IP Certificate Request and Presentation

Work in progress







Optimised
Priority
Claims for IP
Filings



Automated Priority Claim validation



Self IP Certificate Request and Presentation

Work in progress



Single IP
Rights
Holder
decentralised
identifier



Single IP Wallet for all IP rights held

**Exploration** 







Single IP
Rights
Holder
decentralised
identifier



Single IP Wallet for all IP rights held

**Exploration** 



Direct Licensing of IP



Direct Power of Attorney assignment

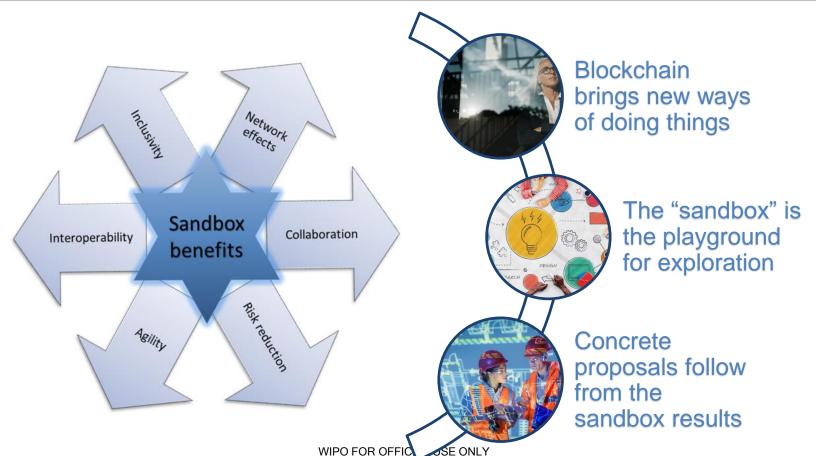


Secure proof of invoices for fraud avoidance

Candidates











# Questions



www.euipo.europa.eu







**THANK YOU** 



Presentation	CWS/10					
Status	APPROVED					
Approved by owner	AS	Adam Stubbings				
A . 41	AS	Adam Stubbings				
Authors	-					
0 (1)	-					
Contributors	-					

Revision history						
Version	Date	Author	Description			
1.0	15/11/2022	ACS	Delivered			