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Intellectual property data exchange framework and platform

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## SUMMARY

1. The IP Data Exchange Task Force presents a working draft entitled “Recommendations for the Exchange of Intellectual Property Data and its Use”, for consideration and comments by the Committee on WIPO Standards (CWS).

## BACKGROUND

1. At its twelfth session, the CWS approved the creation of Task No. 67, the description of which reads as follows:

*“Analyze existing practices and challenges experienced by IP offices with a view to explore solutions to improve global IP data exchange*”

(see paragraphs 146 of document CWS/12/29).

1. To carry out the work, at the same session, the CWS established the IP Data Exchange Task Force and designated the Japan Patent Office (JPO), the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) and the International Bureau as the co-leaders of the Task Force. (See paragraph 147 of document CWS/12/29.)
2. Since the last session of the CWS, the IP Data Exchange Task Force has convened five online meetings to analyze practices and challenges encountered by intellectual property (IP) offices, with the objective of identifying effective solutions to enhance global IP data exchange. The Task Force agreed that the initial step in developing IP data exchange framework and platform be to prepare a set of recommendations on the exchange and use of IP data. As an outcome of its activities, the Task Force prepared a working draft on “Recommendations for the Exchange of Intellectual Property Data and its Use” for consideration and comments by the CWS. Further details regarding the Task Force’s background and activities are provided in document CWS/13/14.

## draft recommendations for the exchange of intellectual property data and its use

1. The working draft was prepared based on the IP5 Information Dissemination Policy 2011[[1]](#footnote-2), and outlines recommendations for the exchange and dissemination of IP data, including bibliographic, full-text, image, citation and legal status data. It applies to data exchanged between IP offices or disseminated to third parties.
2. The objective of the draft recommendations is to provide a harmonized framework for the exchange and use of IP data among IP offices. It seeks to establish clear and consistent guidelines in key areas such as the use and redistribution of IP data, improvements to data quality rules and metrics, accountability for accuracy, content and file formats, as well as the timeliness of data delivery and communication protocols between IP offices. By doing so, the recommendations will facilitate efficient, transparent and reciprocal sharing of IP data worldwide, supporting cooperation across IP offices.
3. The draft recommendations are structured as follows:

* Main Body: Defines conditions for provision, use and dissemination of IP data. Types and means of IP data exchange and dissemination as well as requirements for warranty and quality of the data; and
* Annex I: Example of the checklist used by IP offices for data error correction process.

1. At the time of preparing this document, the draft recommendations remain under discussion within the IP Data Exchange Task Force and are presented in the Annex of the present document for consultation by the CWS.
2. *The CWS is invited to:*
3. *note the content of the present document; and*
4. *review and comment on the working draft of the “Recommendations for the Exchange of Intellectual Property Data and its Use”, as indicated in paragraphs 5 to 7 and reproduced in the Annex to the present document.*

[Annex follows]

1. https://link.epo.org/ip5/IP5\_patent\_information\_policy\_june2013.pdf [↑](#footnote-ref-2)