

Entering the National Phase from the PCT – Practice and Key Considerations with a
Focus on the U.S., China, and Europe
(PRESENTED IN JAPANESE)

Thursday, November 20, 2025, 14:00–17:00 (JST)

Program Details:

14:00 – 14:05 Opening Remarks

Matthias Reischle-Park, Deputy Director, PCT Legal and User Relations Division, WIPO Headquarters

14:05 – 14:30 National Phase Entry from the International Phase

Speaker: Mineko Mohri (Senior Legal Officer, PCT Legal and User Relations Division, WIPO Headquarters)

14:30 – 15:00 National Phase Entry into the United States – Procedures before the USPTO

Speaker: Yoichiro Yamaguchi (U.S. Attorney-at-Law & Patent Attorney, Japanese Patent Attorney, Of Counsel at Fukami Patent Office, former JPO Examiner)

15:00 – 15:30 National Phase Entry into China – Procedures before CNIPA

Speaker: Takako Ito (Japanese Patent Attorney, Partner & Head of Tokyo Office, Beijing Shangchen Intellectual Property Agency, SHANGCHEN & PARTNERS)

15:30 – 15:40 *Break*

15:40 – 16:10 National Phase Entry into Europe – Procedures before the EPO

Speaker: Teru Koide (Japanese Patent Attorney, Associate & Japan Desk Manager at Gille Hrabal, former JPO Examiner)

16:10 – 16:55 Panel Discussion

Moderator: Setsuko Asami (Visiting Professor, Meiji University; Japanese Patent Attorney; WIPO–PCT Consultant; former JPO Examiner)

Panelists: Mineko Mohri, Yoichiro Yamaguchi, Takako Ito, Teru Koide

16:55 – 17:00 Closing Remarks

Yosuke Matsubara, Counsellor, WIPO Japan Office

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