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OBJECTIVE

Citation Practices Task Force

>> Clarify the different practices by industrial property offices regarding the difficulties in citing specific parts of the description of the invention text, in a patent document
The citation serves to identify the publication from which quoted matter within the text, an idea paraphrased, etc. was taken, and to specify its precise location within the source publication.
BACKGROUND: SOURCES OF CITATION REFERENCES - EXAMPLES

>> Patent descriptions

Patent description example:

EP 1 790 234 A1

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BACKGROUND: CHANGING PUBLICATION PRACTICES

>> Publication procedures have changed over recent years

>> Multiple renderings formats: xml, pdf, tif...

>> Multiple locations of single patent document: eg: WIPO + EP + commercial providers + internal

>> Which rendering did the examiner mean?

>> Have extra visible publication tags been added?
BACKGROUND: CITABLE COMPONENTS

How do examiners describe relevant parts of a cited document in a search report?

- Page-based components: page, column, line...
- Paragraphs (electronic filings)
- Patent description parts: claims, embodiments, examples
- Unique references: XP, DOI...

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BACKGROUND: ELECTRONICALLY FILED APPLICATIONS - CONSIDERATIONS

>> Are guidelines for numbering patent components associated with electronically filed applications clear?
- Is there consistency across renderings e.g. paragraph numbering same in pdf or html, on any site?

>> How can long paragraphs be dealt with?
- line numbering within paragraphs, xml text editor warnings, always produce page-based documents, quote « start ……… end » relevant text

>> How can non-text elements be optimally tagged?
- images, chemical formulae, tables, gene sequences
**RECENT ACTIVITIES BY TASK FORCE (TASK 36)**

**>> Prepared proposals for SDWG9:**
- to publish survey Circular C. SCIT 2605 *(see para. 5, Annex I)* as part of WIPO Handbook *7.9 Citation Practices relating to Patent Information*
- to reissue an extended and updated survey *(see para. 7, 8)*
- redefine « Citation » in WIPO Glossary *(see para. 9, Annex III)*
- update ST.14 *(see para. 5, Annex IV)*

**>> Presentation:**
- to the XML Task Forces’ Informal Meeting to consider the impact ST.36 has on citation reference creation and retrieval *(see para. 12, 13)*
>> Relevant documents

**SCIT/SDWG/9/3** including proposals
- Annex I – Survey proposed for publication
- Annex II – Commentary supporting proposals
- Annex III – Citation Definition update
- Annex IV - Draft ST.14

>> Other documents provided as [background](http://www.wipo.int/scit/en/taskfrce/citation_practices/background.htm)

- Patent Documentation Group - Citation Information Analysis
- Cited References in European Patent Documents
- International Common Elements to ST.36
- References consulted during analysis
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