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GENERAL REMARKS

1. This document describes the changes made to ST.96 Schema V3_1 to create V3_2. The ST.96 XML Schema V3_2 has been prepared primarily to include reusable Authority File components, approved by the XML4IP Task Force.

MODIFICATIONS TO COMMON COMPONENTS

2. Descriptions for enumeration values in WIPOST3CodeType were updated to assure consistency with ST.3, after revision to this Standard was adopted at CWS/7, in particular a new enumeration value 'EU' with corresponding description' European Union' was added. In summary the following changes were made to the code-description pairs:

   BO - Bolivia (Plurinational State of)
   EU - European Union
   GC - Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC Patent Office)
   HK - Hong Kong, China
   MK - North Macedonia
   MO - Macao, China
   SX - Sint Maarten (Dutch part)
   TW - Taiwan Province of China
   VE - Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)
   VG - British Virgin Islands

3. The following new components and associated types were added:

   a. `MostRecentDocument` (The most recent document information available or provided in the data package, e.g., the authority file.) and `MostRecentDocumentType` (which includes both `com:DocumentIdentifier` and `com:DocumentDate`);

   b. `DocumentTotalQuantity` (*Total number of documents available or provided)*;

   c. `updateAFCategory` (Determines how updates to the authority file will be performed e.g., incremental versus full.) and corresponding type `UpdateAFCategoryType`;

   d. `PublicationDateRange` (Publication date range over which the authority file is valid) and corresponding type `PublicationDateRangeType`; and

   e. `DataCoverageURI` (A detailed (annual) data-coverage can be found online at http://www.XX-office.org/coverage.).

4. The following description were updated:

   a. `DocumentDate` was amended to be '*Date of Document*'.

MODIFICATIONS TO PATENT COMPONENTS

5. Note, that there were not changes to the design components made from version 3_1 to 3_2.
6. The following new components and associated types were added:

   a. `PriorityApplicationIdentification (Identification of the priority application),`

      `PriorityApplicationIdentificationType;`

      `PriorityApplicationIdentificationBag; and`

      `PriorityApplicationIdentificationBagType.`

   b. `PatentDocumentKindCodeDefinition` (A definition of a patent document kind code provided by an IPO, following the WIPO ST.16 recommendation.) and

      `PatentDocumentKindCodeDefinitionType;`

      `PatentDocumentKindCodeDefinitionBag;`

      `PatentDocumentKindCodeDefinitionBagType and`

      `PatentDocumentKindCodeDescriptionText.`

MODIFICATIONS TO TRADEMARK COMPONENTS

1. An updated description was provided for enumeration value 'Three Dimensional' of the `MarkFeatureCategoryType` to now read:

   "A mark consisting of a three-dimensional object as claimed in a statement contained in the application. Under applicable legislation or under some IP office practices, it could be registered as a packaging, trade dress or shape mark."

MODIFICATIONS TO DESIGN COMPONENTS

2. There were not changes to the Design components made from version 3_1 to 3_2.

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