

Leveraging IPOS' Networks and Programmes to Accelerate IP Registration

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Non-Registrable



Copyright 6





Intangible Assets



Registrable



Trade Marks



Patents



Designs



Geographical Indications



Plant Variety Rights



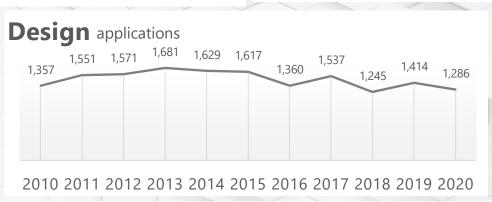
10-Year IP Filing Trends





2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

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IP Filings in 2020





53,197
Trade Mark Classes



















Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH)

Global (27 countries)
Bilateral (China, EPO, Mexico, Brazil)

Overview of Acceleration Networks & Programmes

ASEAN Patent Examination Co-operation (ASPEC)

Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam (9 countries)



Registration Co-operation Cambodia, Laos



PCT International Searching & Examining Authority (ISA/IPEA)

Mexico, Vietnam, Indonesia, USA, Japan, Cambodia, Thailand, Brunei, Uganda, Korea, Laos (11 countries)



IP Fast Track
Programme
Singapore



Singapore as a Competent International Searching Authority (ISA)



Nationals and residents of Brunei, Cambodia, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Laos, Mexico, Thailand, Uganda, United States of America and Vietnam can choose Singapore as ISA.





Patent
Prosecution
Highway
(PPH) for
Accelerated
Examination

Rely on report or written opinion from corresponding patent applications to accelerate examination in any partner IP offices

Average Pendency

5.2 monthsFirst office action by IPOS

PPH (Mottainai)

- 27 GPPH countries and authorities, including Japan, Korea and US
- Bilateral PPH with Mexico, EPO and Brazil

PPH (Traditional)

Bilateral PPH with China



Differences between Traditional, Mottainai & PCT-PPH

Traditional PPH Office of **First Filing** Patent Prosecution Highway Office of **Second Filing**

Mottainai PPH



PCT-PPH





ASPEC, **ASPEC AIM** and PCT-**ASPEC** for **Accelerated Examination** to Grant



ASPEC AIM

Pilot Programmes

- Prioritises Industry 4.0 patent applications
- First office actions to be issued within 6 months

PCT-ASPEC

 PCT reports issued from an ASEAN ISA/IPEA can now qualify for ASPEC

Written Opinion

NEW from 2021

 Written opinion as an acceptable work product for ASPEC

ASPEC AIM refers to **ASPEC A**cceleration for Industry 4.0 Infrastructure and **M**anufacturing



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Grant patent application in as fast as

6 months

Accelerate Patent,
Trade Mark or
Registered Design
Applications with
Singapore IP Fast
Track Programme

Related

TM

Register straightforward Trade Mark application in as fast as

3 months

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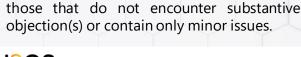
Register nonstraightforward¹ Trade Mark 6 months application in as fast as

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Register Design application in as fast as

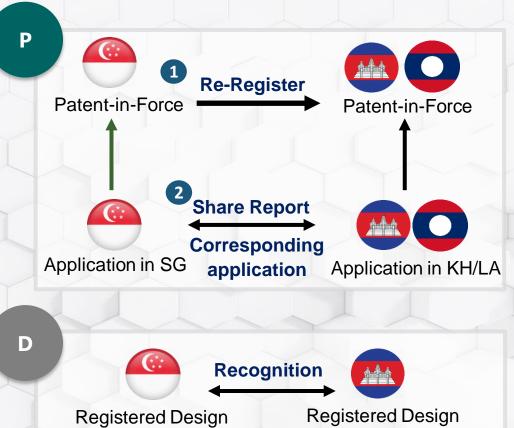
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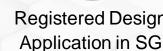


¹Straightforward trademark applications are



Re-registration Cooperation with Cambodia and Laos





Application in KH







Utilising Our Networks To Accelerate Patent Grant (National Work Product)

PPH

First filed in SG

Use SG report in PPH participating Offices

OSF or OLE for PPH

SG IP Fast Track/ Normal application

OFF for ASPEC;

OFF or OEE for PPH

ASPEC and ASPEC-AIM

Use SG report in ASPEC participating Offices

OSF for ASPEC

SINGAPORE

SG can be second filing

Application from PPH participating Office

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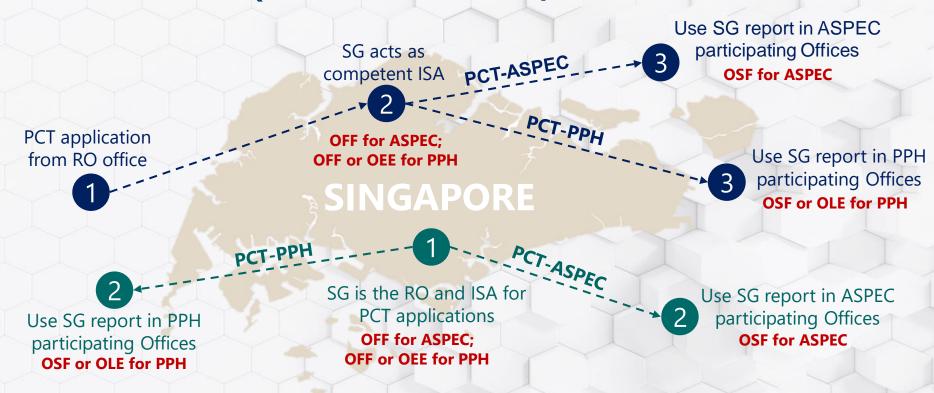
OSF for ASPEC

OFF: Office of First Filing, OSF: Office of Second Filing

OEE: Office of Earlier Examination, OLE: Office of Later Examination



Utilising Our Networks To Accelerate Patent Grant (PCT Work Product)









Thank You

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