

Citation of Prior Art

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Consensus

All parties agreed that consideration of **the prior art cited by foreign offices should be imposed as a must-do obligation on the Examiner side, rather than on the shoulder of the applicants**

(meeting of IP5 Industry in Suzhou, May 2015)

Realistic approach

▪ IT based solution

- OPD can provide prior arts without specified common form.
- Need alert system or like for real-time information
- Need machine translation guaranteed because of language barrier

Input

- **Specific time schedule rather than overall timeline**
- **USPTO's initiation changing rule of IDS is requested.**

Thank You

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