

Annex 3

ACRONYMS

4IR	Fourth Industrial Revolution (19) [KIPO]
AI	Artificial Intelligence (ii) [USPTO]
ARIPO	African Regional Intellectual Property Office (12)
CCD	Common Citation Document (10) [EPO]
CPG	Cooperation for facilitating Patent Grant (14) [JPO]
CNIPA	China National Intellectual Property Administration (i)
CPC	Cooperative Patent Classification (13) [EPO]
CSP	Cooperative Search Pilot (26) [CNIPA]
CPES	Cloud Patent Examination System (26) [CNIPA]
CS&E	Collaborative Search and Examination (26) [CNIPA]
DOCDB	DOCumentDataBase (12) [EPO]
DPIIT	Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (14) [JPO]
EAPO	Eurasian Patent Organization (35)
EPC	European Patent Convention (2) [EPO]
EPO	European Patent Office (i)
EUIPO	European Union Intellectual Property Office (11) [EPO]
FA	First Action (i) [JPO]
FAOM	First Office Action on Merits (93) [USPTO]
FY	Fiscal Year (ii) [USPTO]
GCC	Gulf Cooperation Council Patent Office (36) [CNIPA]
GIPA	Global Intellectual Property Academy (30) [USPTO]
GPPH	Global Patent Prosecution Highway (14) [JPO]
IB	International Bureau of WIPO (iii)
IFRS	International Financial Reporting Standards (15) [EPO]

IMF	International Monetary Fund (iii)
INDECOPI	National Institute for the Defence of Free Competition and the Protection of Intellectual Property
INPADOC	International Patent Documentation Center (12) [EPO]
INPI	National Institute of Industrial Property (14) [JPO]
IP	Intellectual Property (i)
IP5	Five IP Offices: EPO, JPO, KIPO, CNIPA, USPTO (i)
IP5 SR	IP5 Statistics Report (i)
IPC	International Patent Classification (3)
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority (3)
IPRs	Intellectual Property Rights (ii) [KIPO]
ISA	International Searching Authority (3)
JPO	Japan Patent Office (i)
KDB	Korea Development Bank(20) [KIPO]
KIPO	Korean Intellectual Property Office (i)
OAPI	Organisation African Intellectual Property (35)
OEE	Office of Earlier Examination(14) [JPO]
OFF	Office of First Filing (14) [JPO]
OSF	Office of Second Filing (14) [JPO]
PACE	Program for Accelerated Prosecution of European Patent Applications (9) [EPO]
PATSTAT	Worldwide Patent Statistical Database (12) [EPO]
PCT	Patent Cooperation Treaty (1)
PPH	Patent Prosecution Highway (iv)
P.R. China	People's Republic of China (2)
R&D	Research and Development (20) [KIPO]
RCE	Request for Continued Examination (31) [USPTO]
R. Korea	Republic of Korea (2)

RO	Receiving Office (3)
SAIP	Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (14) [JPO]
SMEs	Medium-sized Enterprises (11)
SUCCESS	Study of Underrepresented Classes Chasing Engineering and Sciences Success (29) [USPTO]
U.S.	United States of America (2)
USG	U.S. Government (29) [USPTO]
USPTO	United States Patent and Trademark Office (i)
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization (iii)

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