

RECENT DEVELOPMENT AT KIPO

Meeting of the IP5 Heads of Office and the IP5 Industry

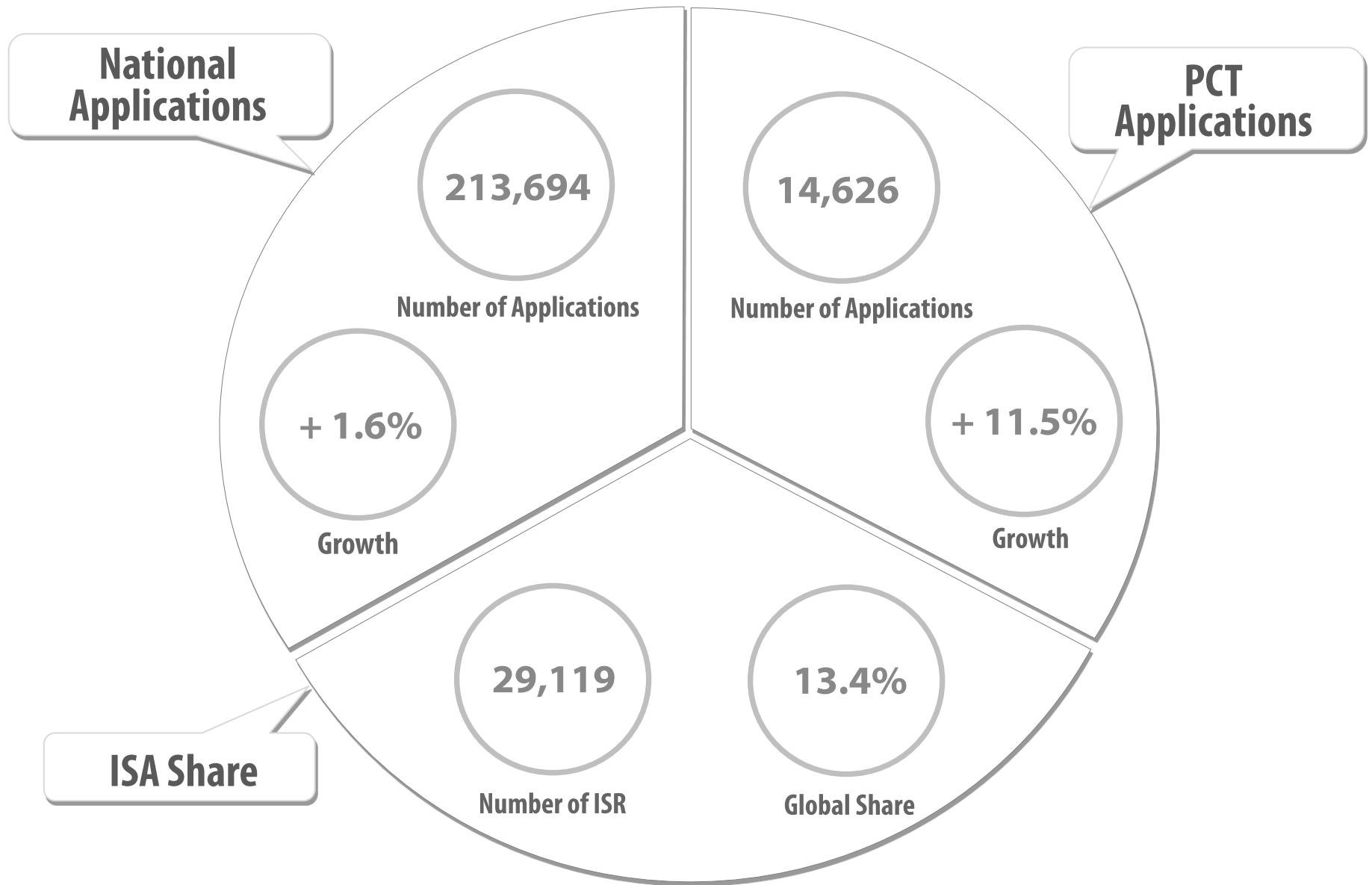
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I. Key figures of KIPO in 2015

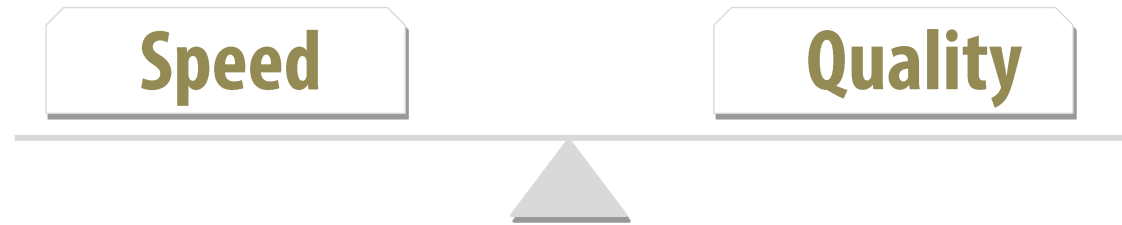


II. KIPO's response to users' voice

Changes in Examination

❖ Balancing between Speed & Quality

Examination Pendency Periods (month)	
2014	11
2015	10
2016	10



❖ Interactive Examination

- Industry Experts Group
- Peer Examiners
- Foreign Patent Offices

Enhanced IPR Protection

❖ Concentration of Jurisdiction over IPR litigation

(from Jan. 2016)

Proceedings	Before	After
1 st Instance	58 district courts	5 district courts
2 nd Instance	5 high courts, 18 appellate division of district courts	Patent Court

❖ Mandatory submission of evidence to show damages from infringement (from Jun.2016)

Others

❖ **Ex Officio Reexamination** (from Mar. 2017)

- Before registration, examiners are able to cancel the grant decision when detecting errors.



❖ **Reduced period of the request of examination** (from Mar. 2017)

5 years

3 Years

III. Tasks in progress

❖ Reform of Invalidation System

- All evidence should be submitted to IPTAB (KIPO's Trial and Appeal Board).
 - Accordingly, all technical reviews will be made by the IPTAB
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❖ Support the Creation of High-Value IPR for SMEs

- Supporting IP-R&D
- Boosting IP Funding & IP Financing

Thank you!



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