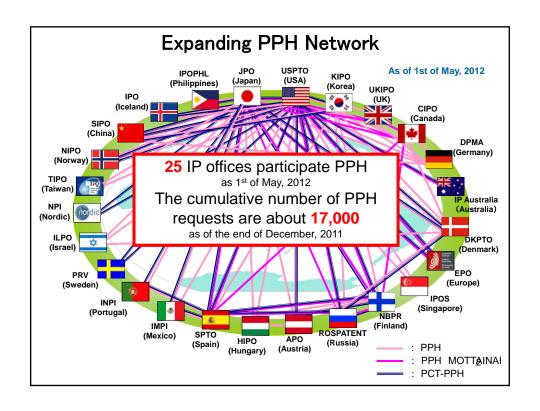
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# **Current Situation of JP-US PPH Program**

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# Number of Requests

≻OEE: USPTO, OLE: JPO

PILOT: July 3, 2006 - January 3, 2008 FULL IMPLEMENTATION: January 4, 2008 – PPH MOTTAINAI: July 15, 2011 –

As of February 29, 2012

√The JPO has received <u>1540</u> requests including <u>20</u> PPH MOTTAINAI requests.

1458 were eligible.

23 were not eligible

- 11 did not sufficiently correspond to the allowable/patentable claims of the corresponding US application.
- 10 did not have a corresponding US application.
- 2 were not eligible since the JPO has already begun examination of the application.

59 are still not examined.

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### First Action

>OEE: USPTO, OLE: JPO

As of February 29, 2012

✓ First actions have been completed on 1425 applications.

Decisions to grant a patent	<u>185</u>
Notifications of reasons for refusal	<u> 1240</u>

Applied provision	Number of applications
Description requirement (Section 36)	<u>972</u>
Novelty (Section 29(1)) or Inventive step (Section 29(2))	<u>825</u>
Unity (Section37)	<u>172</u>
Inventiveness and industrial applicability (Body of section 29(1))	101
Addition of new matter (Section 17bis(3), 49vi)	<u>82</u>
Secret prior art (Section 29bis)	44
Double patenting (Section 39)	24

✓ Average pendency from request to first action: 1.7 months (2011CY)



#### **Final Action**

≻OEE: USPTO, OLE: JPO

As of February 29, 2012

√ Final actions have been completed on <u>1201</u> applications.

809 decisions to grant a patent.

389 decisions of refusal.

3 were withdrawn.

✓ Average pendency from first action to final action:

5.5 months(2011CY)

✓ First action allowance rate: **20.4%** (2011CY)

√ Grant rate: 72.4% (2011CY)

	2009CY	2010CY	2011CY
Grant rate (%)	59.6	67.2	72.4

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#### Trilateral PCT-PPH pilot program

- Started on 29 January 2010
- •The trial has extended for two years ending on 28 January 2014 since 29 January 2012





# Number of Requests

As of February 29, 2012

#### ➤ ISA / IPEA: **USPTO**, Office of Filing: **JPO**

√The JPO has received 13 requests.

10 were eligible.
2 were still not examined.

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# First Action

As of February 29, 2012

#### ➤ ISA / IPEA: **USPTO**, Office of Filing: **JPO**

√First actions have been completed on **9** applications.

Decisions to grant a patent	<u>1</u>
 Notifications of reasons for refusal	<u>8</u>

Applied provision	Number of applications
Description requirement (Section 36)	<u>6</u>
Novelty (Section 29(1)) or Inventive step (Section 29(2))	Z.
Unity (Section37)	<u>4</u>
Inventiveness and industrial applicability (Body of section 29(1))	<u>0</u>
Addition of new matter (Section 17bis(3), 49vi)	<u>0</u>
Secret prior art (Section 29bis)	<u>0</u>
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# **Final Action**

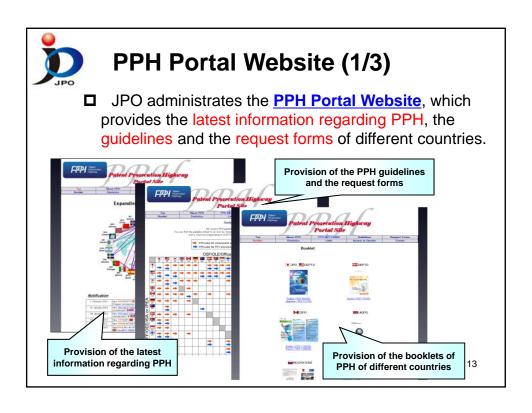
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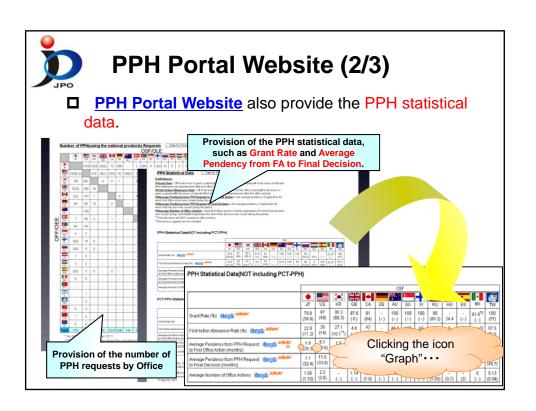
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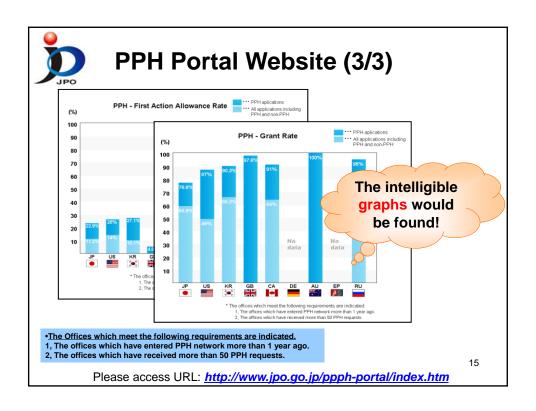
- 2 decisions to grant a patent.
- 2 decision of refusal.

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# Relaxing the PPH requirements PPH MOTTAINAI pilot program 15 July 2011: 8 Offices (JPO, USPTO, UKIPO, CIPO, IP Australia, NBPR, ROSPATENT and SPTO) first commenced the pilot. 29 January 2012: EPO has commenced the pilot with JPO and USPTO. And 31th of March, 2012 USPTO (USP) (USP)









JP / U.S. Bar Liaison Council Meeting 27 June 2012

# Thank you!