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This paper provides an overview of standardization strategies of EU, USA, China, and Japan, which have been evolving according to the globalization of economy, rapid advancement of technology and glowing of the service industry. In addition, it presents author's observation on the trend and direction of international standardization activities which have been driven by emerging needs and the strategies of various entities participating in the activity.

■ Strategy for intellectual property and standardization for business”

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Importance on international standardization of the technology increases and more for business today. Especially the strategy of integration between standardization and intellectual property is still developing. We introduce some cases of the related strategy for Mitsubishi Electric, and future tasks are referred.

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The Japan Fair Trade Commission (JFTC) announced the revised guidelines for intellectual property (IP), “the Guidelines for the Use of Intellectual Property under the Antimonopoly Act” on 28 September, 2007. These guidelines are to explain the JFTC's view on the trade of IP, especially license of IP. This article examines the new guidelines and clarifies characteristics and unsolved issues which the guidelines have.

■ A study of the Supreme Court Decision that found patent infringement for reselling recycled patented products 52

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At the case that was disputed whether recycling and reselling used patented products became patent infringement, the Supreme Court affirmed the judgment of the Grand Panel of the Intellectual Property High Court that had denied the application of the patent exhaustion doctrine to the case, and had affirmed the patent infringement.

However, the judgment of the Supreme Court includes many parts that are different from the judgment of the Grand Panel in its theory and its factual evaluation.

This report is intended to clarify the significance of the Supreme Court decision compared with the Grand Panel decision.

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The ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (MAFF) and the ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), including the regional offices of both ministries, take active measures to advance the creation, protection, and exploitation of intellectual property at the local level.

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