New Departments for Patent Abstracts of Japan and Industrial Property Digital Library

The Japan Patent Office (JPO) has currently been issuing Patent Abstracts of Japan (PAJ) and distributing them to the members based on the principle of mutual exchange of patent documents and information.

However, the National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training (NCIPI), an independent administrative institution, will take over these tasks from the JPO on October 1, 2004.

Contents and format(MIMOSA format) of PAJ to be issued by the NCIPI will be the same as those of the JPO.

The NCIPI will also take over tasks for Industrial Property Digital Library (IPDL) from the JPO on and from as well. Accordingly, we will change the present address (http://www.ipdl.jpo.go.jp) to a new address (http://www ipdl.ncipi.go.jp) on October 2004.

Change of the IPDL URL

The NCIPI will succeed to the operations for the IPDL from the JPO, so the present IPDL top page address will be changed to a new address on October 1, 2004.

Therefore, users who have a link to the IPDL top page and who registered the IPDL top page address in their list of bookmark are kindly requested to replace the old address with the new one on and from.

As an interim measure, users can access the IPDL top page by the old address for the moment, but note that after the interim measure ends, the old address will be unavailable to access the IPDL top page.

Old IPDL address

Until September 30, 2004
"http://www.ipdl.jpo.go.jp/
homepg_e.ipdl"

New IPDL address

As from October 1, 2004
"http://www.ipdl.ncipi.go.jp/
homepg_e.ipdl"

Change of contacts

As from October 1, 2004, the contacts concerning the IPDL and the PAJ will be changed as follows.

Please see the reverse side of the PAJ News

As from October 1, 2004

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Change of the PAJ's CD-ROM labels

We will change the labels of the PAJ's CD-ROM labels no and from. Below is those. Left-hand side is the PAJ CD-ROM and the other hand side is the PAJ Index CD-ROM.

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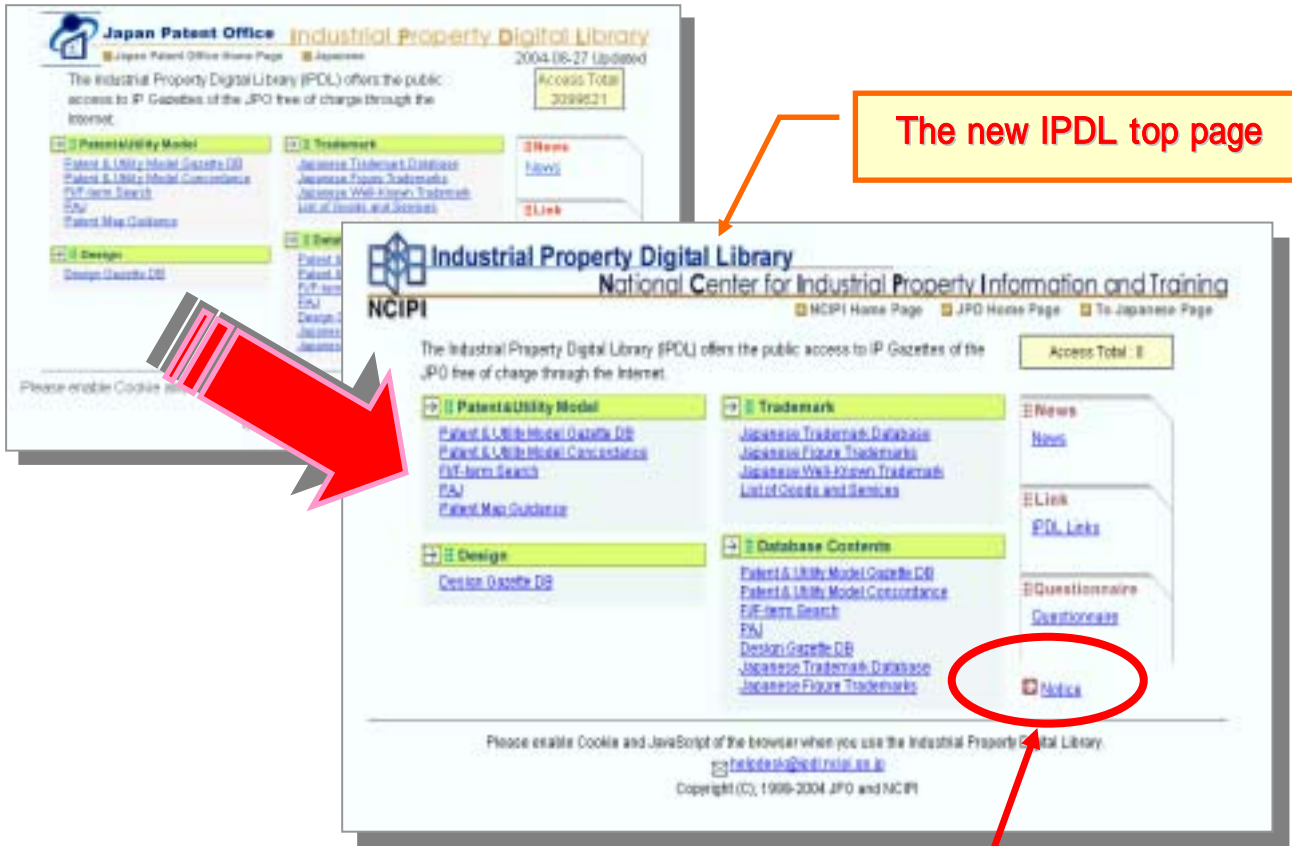
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The renewal of the IPDL top page

In addition, the IPDL top page address will change. Simultaneously, we will renovate the screen of the IPDL as shown below.

Moreover please refer to "Notice" on the IPDL top page concerning notice how to link to the IPDL top page.

The new IPDL top page

What is the NCIPI?

The predecessor of National Center for Industrial Property Information (NCIPI), started its service as a library which was established in the General Affairs Department in the Patent Office of the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce in 1887.

As Japan joined in "the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property" in 1899, the library has achieved the international status of the central library that provides gazettes, etc. for public based on the Convention.

Since 1997, it has played a role of the general library disseminating industrial property information with consultation service for industrial property and encouraging patent licensing service.

In the 21st century, the global technical development race has got more competitive. The role of the NCIPI to offer immediately and continuously industrial property information, namely, systemized cutting-edge science and technology information, has got more important.

So that the NCIPI has been renovated as an Independent Administrative Institution since April in 2001 for the flexible operation of its tasks.

The center provides comprehensive information on industrial property through a wide range of measures for encouraging patent licensing, gathering official gazettes on industrial property, consulting on industrial property, and utilizing licensable patents.

And, the service for PAJ and IPDL and that for human resource development, etc. will be added to the above service of the NCIPI since October 1, 2004, and in accordance with this, the NCIPI will become National Center for Industrial Property Information and Training.

The logo of the NCIPI

The NCIPI stands for National Center for Industrial Property Information.

This logo means intellectual creation with a stylized "IPI" of the NCIPI, expressed by a grit pattern. The central part, "P", turned into a three-dimensional view, stresses collection of information, etc. with a pointed image. In addition, "I" in both sides, with an image of opening the door, expresses the mission of the NCIPI to earn the trust of users by distributing information freely.

The blue color expresses hope, elaboration, intelligence, spirit of innovation, future, etc. This color stresses the visual image of this logo (NCIPI) meaning the challenge to the unknown.

New function of FI/F-term search

There has started offering some additional new functions on the IPDL since March, 2004.

1. Design gazette DB (PAJ News No.31)
2. Adoption of the Vienna Classification (PAJ News No.32)
3. New function of FI/F-term search (Current issue)

FI/F-Term Search has improved on the IPDL.

"Publication Date" instead of "Publication year" can be specified to refine search results in FI/F-term search at the IPDL since March, 2004.

Access to JPO's website at http://www.jpo.go.jp/, and open "Industrial Property Digital Library (IPDL)".

Click here

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Patent & Utility Model Concordance
FI/F-term Search
PAJ
Patent Map Guidance

The IPDL top page is shown on the upper right. Five services are available for Patent & Utility Model search in English. Click on "FI/F-term Search" on IPDL top page to start the search.

File Index

The FI (File Index) is a type of classification used within Japan Patent Office to compile search files and is indicated as [Full IPC (including subgroup symbols) + 3-digit number and/or a single alphabetical letter].

Additional classification codes are applied to IPC categories in which many patent documents are filed.

FI Format

	A21D	2/04		
File discrimination	B01D	53/02	B	
Subdivision symbols	B31B	1/00	301	
Subdivision symbols + File	B65G	1/04	505	A
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      F-term is an abbreviation for File-forming Term by which patent searches are conducted by theme codes and term lists covering a prescribed scope of FI categories with a limited technological field. F-terms are used by examiners at the Patent Office to efficiently search and review similar technologies.

      F-term based searches may be carried out by the public via the Industrial Property Digital Library.

F-term Format

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FI/F-term Search

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As the above screen, it was possible to do noting but specify a range of Publication Year to narrow the search before the improvement, however now it is available up to "Publication Date".

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