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### Statistics

#### [1] 2012 National Intellectual Property Development Status Report released

[State Intellectual Property Office]

...On June 5, the 2012 National Intellectual Property Development Status Report was released. The report built the evaluation index system for the development of intellectual property ("IP") by adopting 10 secondary indexes and 40 third-level indexes from the four aspects of IP creation, application, protection and environment. The report monitored and analyzed the IP development in 2012 and in the period from 2007 to 2012 of the country and all the provinces. It was the first comprehensive evaluation report to reflect the IP development level of all regions of China. The report showed that from 2007, the IP comprehensive development of China advanced year by year.

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## News

### **[1] SIPO and EPO signed the MoU on enhancing the cooperation in patent classification**

[ State Intellectual Property Office ]

...On June 4, 2013, the State Intellectual Property Office ("SIPO") and the European Patent Office ("EPO") signed the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on enhancing the cooperation between the offices in the field of patent classification.

According to the MoU, SIPO will introduce CPC step-by-step into the classification of the patent documents of China in the next few years. Since January 2014, SIPO will use CPC to classify the invention patent applications newly disclosed in the technology fields accepted the special training of EPO, and will strive to use CPC to classify the new invention patent applications in all fields and share the relevant classification data with EPO since January 2016.

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## Proposed Legislation

### **[1] SAIC official talks about the third revision of the trademark law**

[Central People's Government]

...At the 2013 China International Trademark • Brand Festival, Deputy inspector of the Trademark Office of the State Administration for Industry and Commerce (SAIC) Wu Qun briefed the ongoing work of the third revision of the Trademark Law on June 15. Wu said the new trademark law is expected to provide several more convenient service measures for the public to apply for trademark registration, including expansion of application scope, provision of electronic application method, and reduction of application costs.

According to Wu, the draft of new trademark law will cancel visibility requirements as specified by the prevailing trademark registration, and stipulate that sound or a single color can also be registered as a trademark; fully liberalize electronic application, which allows applicants to submit trademark applications online; add "one trademark for several classes" application mode, which allows an applicant to file one application for registering the same trademark for the goods in several classes. In addition, the draft of new trademark law stipulates the system of written opinions on examination. The Trademark Office may send Written Opinions on Examination to an applicant in the course of examination requiring the applicant to make explanation or correction to its trademark application.

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