Survey Concerning Citation Practices in Intellectual Property Offices

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2. Section 1: Identification page

1. Please enter the ST.3 code of the member state or inter-governmental organization you represent.

RU - Russian Federation

2. Please enter the name of the office or organization you represent. For instance, International Bureau of WIPO.
If your organization name is the same as your ST.3 code name, you may put "n/a".

Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent)

3. Questions about citation references provided by your Office: Sections 2 to 4

Section 2: Citation reference availability

5. Does your Office publish citation references associated with your Office's patent documents?

Yes
Please comment if necessary:

6. Select one option describing the availability, to the public, of your Office's citation references.

Available to the public

7. In which of the following location(s) associated with patent documents, published by your Office, can citation references be found?

Substantive search and/or examination report
Patent description
Bibliographic data
Please comment on any of the above mentioned locations, if appropriate: Citations provided by applicants are displayed in the patent description, citations provided by experts are displayed in search content reports, and both are listed in patent publications.

8. If citation references are part of the bibliographic front page information, are they included in INID code (56)?

Yes

9. Beyond the locations listed as options in question 7 above, select the location(s) outside the patent document where citation references can be found:

10. Are hyperlinks included for the above Internet locations?

Not applicable
Please comment if necessary: Sometimes in locations indicated in response to question 7. Hyperlinks for patent documents indicated in field (56) are included and available for the general public on the Rospatent search platform (available at https://searchplatform.rospatent.gov.ru/patents)

11. Does your Office give information about a patent document that cites the specific patent document the user is looking at (i.e., a forward citation)?

No

12. Are hyperlinks to the citing document provided?

No
Please comment if necessary: Not applicable

13. Does your Office follow the recommendations set out in WIPO Standard ST.14 for the identification of citation references?

Partially (please specify/provide further details): Rospatent does not include applicant name for citations of patent documents in the field (56).
Please comment if necessary:

14. Does your Office provide indications, to the general public, informing about who suggested or decided on including the citation references?

No

If available, where can indications of who created a citation reference be found by the general public?

Please comment if necessary:

4. Section 3: Search Report Information

15. Does your Office prepare international search reports (ISRs) in the capacity as an International Searching Authority under the PCT?

Yes

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16. Do you have quality control on citation references entered on search reports?

Yes (Please provide examples in detail): See below
Please comment if necessary:: The supervisor of the examiner controls search reports for national applications. The Federal Institute of Industrial Property, a subordinate organization of Rospatent, functions in the field of international search and preliminary examination under the PCT in accordance with ISO 9001:2015.

17. Do your citation references include online URLs?

Sometimes (specify when): when citation documents were found on the internet and are not patent documents

18. Are unique document identifiers used, e.g., DOI?

Sometimes (Specify when): most often in the ISA/IPEA/RU

If applicable, which unique document identifiers are used?

Digital Object Identifier (DOI)
ISBN and ISSN

6. Section 3: Search Report Information

19. Does your Office prepare Office-specific national/regional search reports (non PCT)?

Yes

7. Section 3: Search Report Information

20. Do you have quality control on citation references entered on search reports?

Yes (Please provide examples in detail): See response to question 16.
Please comment if necessary::

21. Are relevance indicators stated?

Yes

22. Do your citation references include online URLs?

Sometimes (Specify when): if the citation can be found only on the internet

23. Are unique document identifiers used, e.g., DOI?

Sometimes (Specify when): very rarely, if the applicant comes from a foreign country

If applicable, which unique document identifiers are used?

Digital Object Identifier (DOI)
ISBN and ISSN

8. Section 3: Search Report Information

24. Please comment on any major differences between the provision of ISR and other search report citation references if any

There are no substantive differences. Only the report forms differ.

9. Section 4: Centralizing/Tagging Citation References

25. Do you (intend to) add tags to identify citation references?

No

26. Does your Office have a centralized database containing citation reference identification data elements?

No

If possible, please specify any structural elements on which the database is founded, for example:

Is the information in the database technically and legally exchangeable e.g., with other Offices?

27. Are citation references from your Office searchable by the general public?

Sometimes (please specify the location where the references are searchable e.g., http://www.): only for patent documents on the Rospatent Search Platform: https://searchplatform.rospatent.gov.ru/

28. Please add any further comments you may have about any of the questions in section 4 above:

10. Questions about your Office's published documents that may be cited (within a citation reference): Sections 5 to 7

Section 5: Location of published patent documents which can be considered to be an (or the) authentic source

29. Which mediums represents the (or an) authentic legal rendition (authoritative source) of your Office's published patent application?

Website (if multiple website separate each address with a semi- colon ";"): https://fips.ru/registers-web/action?acName=treeBack, https://fips.ru/publication-web/bulletins/IZPM, https://searchplatform.rospatent.gov.ru/

30. Which mediums represents the (or an) authentic legal rendition (authoritative source) of your IPO's published granted patents?

Website (if multiple website separate each address with a semi- colon ";"): https://fips.ru/registers-web/action?acName=treeBack, https://fips.ru/publication-web/bulletins/IZPM, https://searchplatform.rospatent.gov.ru/

31. Regarding the medium indicated above, is there one or more (file) formats that should be looked at (in preference to other formats)?

Yes

If yes, please select all formats that should be considered in preference to other formats

.html

32. Is your Office using commercial providers for publishing patent documents?

No

11. Section 6: Availability of location identifiers

33. Which, if any, text- based identifiers do your published patent documents contain:

Page numbers
Column numbers
Line numbers
Paragraph numbers

34. Which, if any, identifiers of non-textual elements occur within the description part of your published patent document:

Image/figure numbers within the description: including 3D
Chemical formula numbers:
Tables:
Gene sequences:
Mathematical formulas:

12. Section 7: Paragraph number details

35. Does your published patent documents include paragraph numbers?

Yes

13. Section 7: Paragraph number details

36. Paragraph numbers are typically created by:

Your Office e.g., examiners

37. Paragraph numbers are recreated:

During the publication process

38. Describe any special treatment you give to long paragraphs:

No special treatment

39. Describe how you treat numbered paragraphs that are subsequently amended:

Other (Please specify): The numbering of paragraphs is created only once in the publication process.

40. If necessary, please provide additional comment on any part of the questions or answers given above in this section.

14. Section 8: Citing documents based on machine translations

41. Does your Office currently allow to cite machine-translated documents in search or examination reports?

Other (Please specify): Machine-translated documents are cited only in the ISR.

15. Section 8: Citing documents based on machine translations

42. When citing a document without paragraph numbering, how does your Office identify the relevant passage in the machine translation?

Typically, experts use machine translation tools available in Espacenet and Orbit Intelligence by Questel, where the translated description is provided with numbered paragraphs. Where other parts of the patent document are relevant – such as the claims or the abstract – the specific claim numbers or the abstract shall be indicated. Alternatively, where a fragment is identified by the title of a section of the description, a larger volume of text shall be indicated in comparison with the relevant portion.

43. How does your Office ensure that applicants can access the exact machine translation used by your Office?

The exact machine translation is not currently shared

44. Does your Office record or store the machine translation used by the examiner for internal or public reference?

No

45. Does your Office have a preferred format for citing machine translations in search or examination reports?

Yes (Please provide example): CN 207594791 U (CHENGDU SKYLIN TECH CO LTD) 10.07.2018, paragraph [0007] of the English translation [online] [retrieved on 25.05.2025]. Retrieved from < Orbit Intelligence Database>, CN 207594791 U (CHENGDU SKYLIN TECH CO LTD) 10.07.2018, paragraph [0007] of the English translation [online] [retrieved on 25.05.2025]. Retrieved from < Espacenet Database>

46. Has your Office encountered cases where an applicant disputed the relevance of a citation based on a machine translation?

No

47. Should there be a standardized method for referencing the machine translation engine and date of translation in the international search report?

Yes

48. Should WIPO Standard ST.14 be revised to include recommendation on how references to machine translations should be cited in a patent document?

Yes

16. General questions about Citation Practices: Sections 9-10
Section 9: Examples of citation references published by your Office, if this information is available.

49. If possible, please provide a patent (application) number and a publicly available internet address that contains one or more typical examples of patent and non-patent literature citation references.

Specify application number and kind code, e.g., WO 2005/110961 A1 : RU 2620031 C1, RU 2620011 C2
Specify Internet address and any instructions helpful to find patent (application) number, e.g., IA=IB2005001265&REF=RSS : https://fips.ru/registers-web/action?acName=clickRegister&regName=RUPAT In the right box enter the patent number without RU prefix and any spaces. Click «НАЙТИ» on the right.
Specify where in the document the citation references can be found, e.g., page 1, lines 19 and 25, search report at end of document : Cited references appear under INID code (56)

17. Section 10: Additional comments about citation practices

50. If applicable, please make any further comments, e.g., you may wish to comment on difficult aspects of citation practices for your IPO: