

MEMORANDUM
BETWEEN THE TAIWAN-JAPAN RELATIONS ASSOCIATION
AND
THE JAPAN-TAIWAN EXCHANGE ASSOCIATION
FOR THE MUTUAL COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF
DOSSIER INFORMATION EXCHANGE

“THE TAIWAN-JAPAN RELATIONS ASSOCIATION” and “THE JAPAN-TAIWAN EXCHANGE ASSOCIATION” (hereinafter individually referred to as the “Side” or collectively as the “Sides”),

in regard to paragraphs 3(1) and 3(7) of the Arrangement between the Association of East Asian Relations and the Interchange Association for the Establishment of the Respective Overseas Offices on 26 December 1972,

reaffirming the need for patent protection as a key element for fostering technological innovation and accelerating economic development,

noting the increasing necessity to adequately cope with the ever-growing number of internationally filed patent applications resulting from a significant demand for patent protection in the context of globalization of the world economy,

acknowledging the importance of ensuring high quality, expeditious and inexpensive patent protection for applicants filing their applications to each other, recognizing that the dossier information exchange will benefit both applicants and industries by enabling comprehensive access to the dossier information provided by the relevant authorities of both Sides,

desiring to further enhance their significant role in cooperative efforts to be made worldwide in the field of patents,

will cooperate with each other in order to obtain the necessary consent from the relevant authorities with regard to the following matters:

1. The basic concept of the dossier information exchange is that according to user’s request, the dossier information, which is the information concerning patent

application procedures and examination, is electronically transferred between the relevant authorities of both Sides.

2. The dossier information exchange will begin promptly after all necessary arrangements including IT system development at each Side are finalized.
3. Technical cooperation will be made to establish the IT system and to continue the dossier information exchange.
4. The technical specification will be finalized before the start of the dossier information exchange.
5. In order to promote the XMLization of dossier information for further utilization, information and experiences relating to XMLization will be exchanged.
6. This Memorandum will enter into force on the date of signature.
7. This Memorandum will be reviewed regularly and may be modified by mutual consent upon request by either Side.
8. This Memorandum may be terminated by either Side by giving the other Side six (6) months' prior written notice.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto, have signed this Memorandum in Taipei, on 30 November 2018 in duplicate in the English language.

For the TAIWAN-JAPAN RELATIONS
ASSOCIATION:

For the JAPAN-TAIWAN EXCHANGE
ASSOCIATION:
