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TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION FROM PATENTS

80% of the world technological information is contained in **published** patent documents



WHAT IS TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION FROM PATENTS

- Worldwide information on specific issues in all scientific and technological domains.
- Source of diverse methods used by up-to-date technologies for resolving concrete problems. Time and money saving in domains being searched.
- Source of conclusions about trends in modern cut-edge technologies.

WHAT IS INTERNATIONAL PATENT CLASSIFICATION (IPC)

The international classification is:

a means for the uniform international classification of patents and an efficient tool used in search for retrieving patent documents with the purpose of ascertaining the novelty of an invention and evaluating the inventive step of the patent applications.

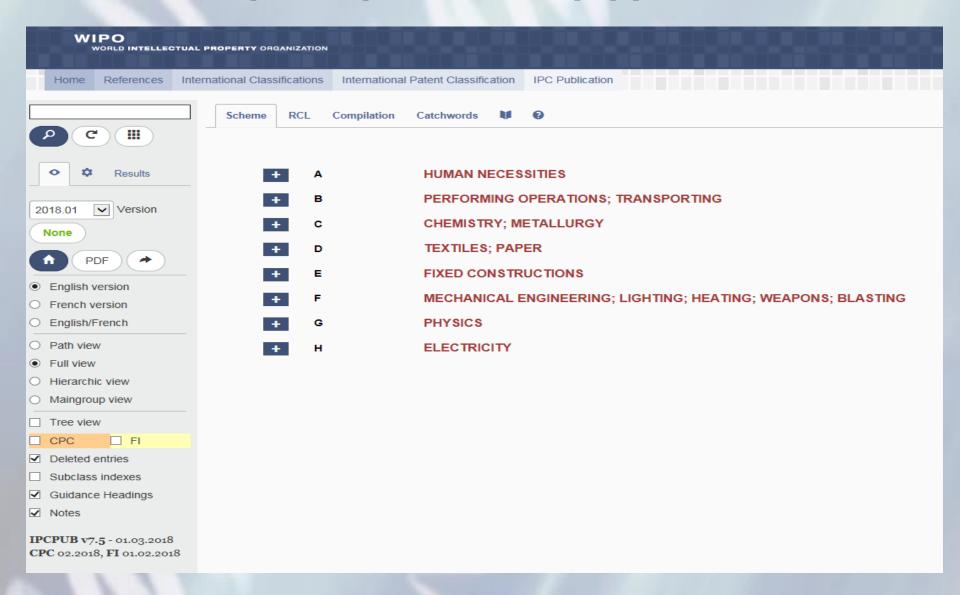
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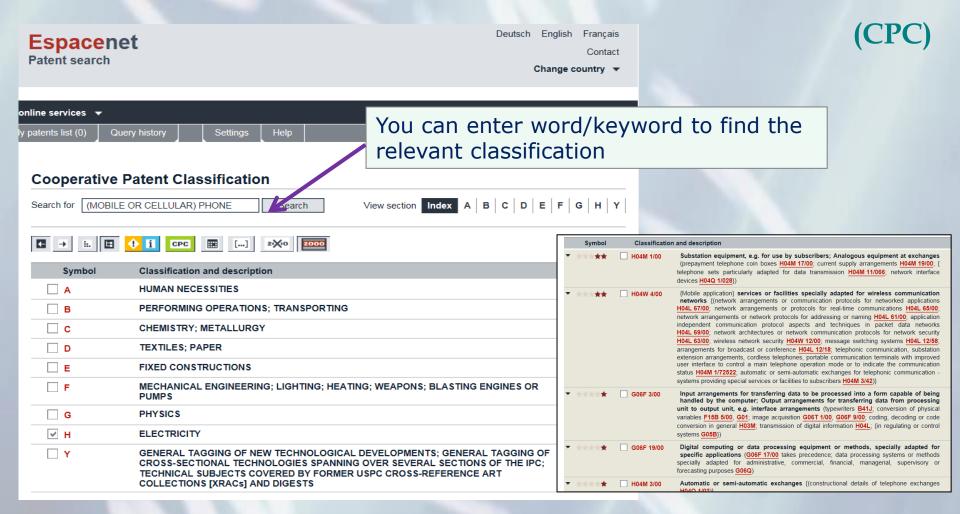
- Tool for facilitating the access to technical and legal information contained into methodically-arranged patent documents.
- Database for selective diffusion of patent documents to all users.
- Database for the investigation of the state of art in given technological fields.
- Database for the collection of industrial property statistical data allowing, in turn, the evaluation of the technological development in different domains.

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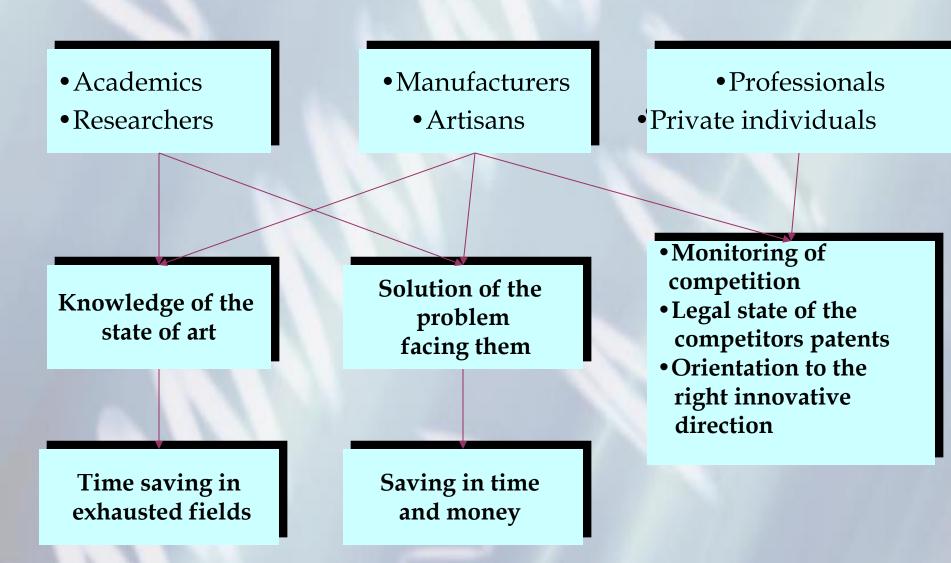
The Cooperative Patent Classification (CPC) system, in force from 1 January 2013, is a bilateral system which has been jointly developed by the EPO and the USPTO, and has the same philosophy as the IPC but is more widespread. Combining the best classification practices of the two offices, it allows searchers to retrieve relevant prior art efficiently.



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- Technical & Scientific Information
- Bibliographic Information
- Legal Information
- Information of Commercial and Economic Character

WHO THE TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION IS ADDRESSED TO





OBI's TECHNOLOGICAL INFORMATION SOURCES

- OBI printed records
- OBI electronic register
- International patent databases (EPO EPOQUE)
- Other international databases (STN)

HOW AND WHERE INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED

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BASIC CONDITION FOR THE PROTECTION OF OUR INVENTION

We do not reveal to others the content of our invention before

- we file an application for the protection of our invention or
- we finally abandon the effort to acquire the right to a patent, if after the relevant search of prior state of the art, it turns out that our invention is already known.

FOUR BASIC STEPS FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE INVENTIONS

- 1st step: Third party technological information search (what is already there regarding the invention, prior state of the art)
- 2nd step: Filing a national application for protection in Greece (inexpensive and fast procedure information about the novelty of an invention by drawing up a search report)
- 3rd step: Interpretation and study of the search report, possibility of redrafting the claims for European or International filing
- 4th step: Filing a European or International (PCT) application (more expensive and more time consuming procedure) claiming the Hellenic priority at the same time.

