

## Focus user group update (September 2004)

- Standardization: a necessary and continuous process for e-Government e.g. XML schemes, ISO country codes 3166-1

### e-Filing

- e-filing of the following forms are available on 30 September 2004

.	Form No.	Description
Trade Marks	T1	Request for preliminary advice/search of records
	T2	Application for registration of a trade mark
	T5A	Request to amend application
	T5B	Request to amend representation of trade mark / Request to delete trade mark in series
Patents	P8	Request to make an amendment
	P18	Request for alteration of name, address, address for service or agent's address / Request for correction of address, address for service or agent's address
Designs	D12	Request for alteration of name, address, address for service or agent's address / Request for correction of address, address for service or agent's address

The following points were noted at the meeting of 23 September 2004 with representatives of ITMP, APAA and IP subcommittee of the Law Society.

- Spin off e-business
  - communications: frequency, real time, IT problems cannot wait
  - business processes: system compatible e.g. validations, refund, reminders
  - e-filers are registered for their accounts (appear in different context in our web site e.g. What's new section)
  - transparent and high data accuracy

### **How do you find**

- Summary of Hong Kong Intellectual Property Journal (first introduced on 17 September 2004?)
- Online search trademarks

A user-friendly suggestion for – press 'enter' instead of click "search" by mouse (see [screen dumps](#) for illustration) has been made. Let us know how you feel.

- Data cleansing

Electronic processing offers us the opportunity to clean up our records e.g. typing errors, punctuation marks etc.

Please contact Vivian Yu on 2961 6894 if you wish to conduct a data cleansing exercise.

- Themes of the second IPD open day (February 2004):
  - First generation of e-filers
  - Pan-PRD
  - CEPA

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