

## Continuation of the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program between the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)

On July 1, 2015, the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), with the intention of improving cooperation on industrial property, agreed to simplify the requirements and procedures applicable to patent applications made under the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program between both offices, which has been in force since March 1, 2011.

With a continued commitment to enhancing industrial property system in their countries for the benefit of users, the IMPI and the USPTO have agreed to extend the PPH Program, covering the Mottainai and PCT-PPH modalities, for an additional period of five years until June 30, 2027.

The guidelines that contain the information on the requirements to request participation in the PPH Program before IMPI can be consulted at the following links:

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