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# **IP5 PCT Collaborative Search and Examination Pilot**

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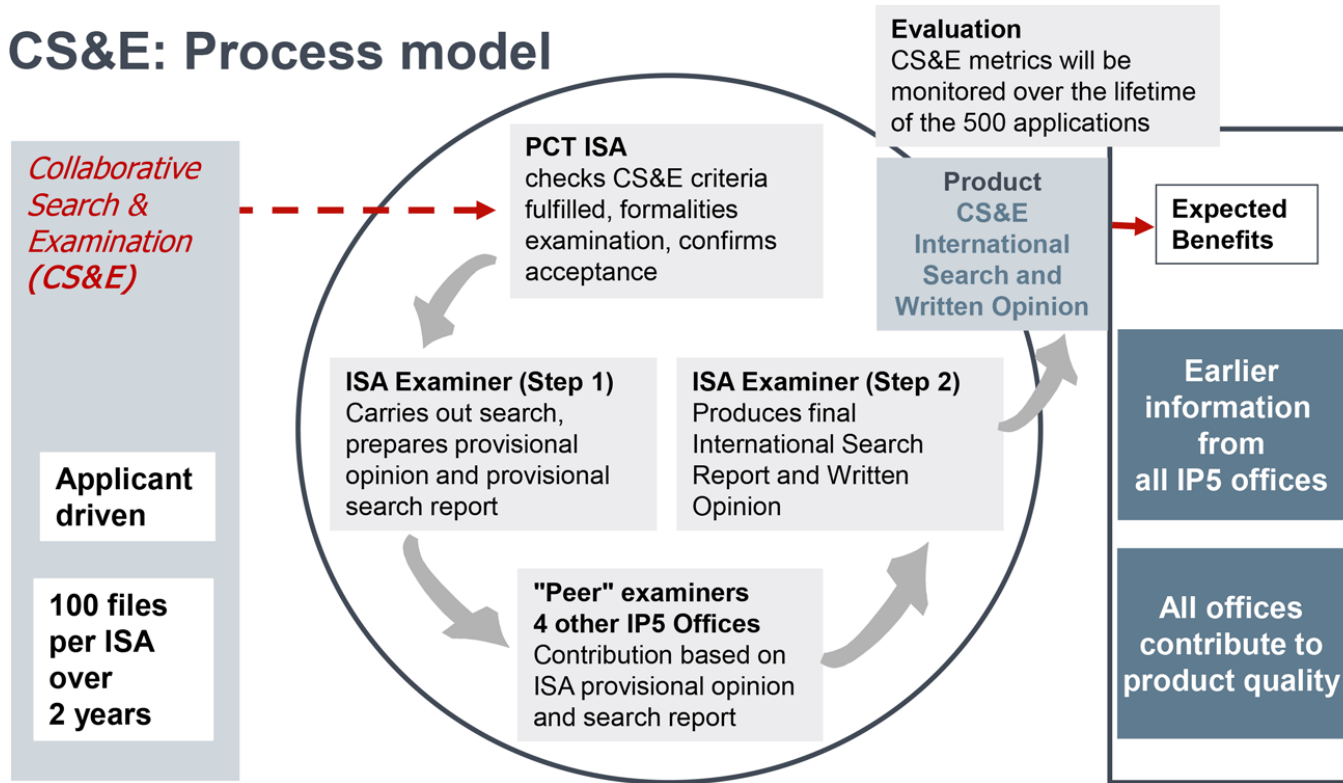


# IP5 PCT CS&E pilot overview

- Started by the IP5 offices on July 1, 2018.
- Explores a collaborative approach to international searches under the PCT with two goals.
  - Assess expected efficiency and quality gains.
  - Determine the users' interest for this approach.
- Complete information: <https://www.uspto.gov/patents-getting-started/international-patent-cooperation>

# IP5 PCT CS&E process model

## CS&E: Process model



# IP5 PCT CS&E pilot limits and statistics

- **50 applications per main International Searching Authority (ISA) per year.**
  - Two-year operational period.
    - July 1, 2018 – June, 30 2019
    - July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020
- **10 applications per main ISA per applicant.**
- **Some ISAs set limits based on technology.**
  - Not ISA/US
- **188 total applications accepted by IP5 ISAs (as of Jan. 22, 2019).**
  - EP – 41 (first year limit for English applications reached)
  - JP – 13
  - CN – 42
  - KR – 42
  - US – 50 (first year limit reached)

# Questions and Comments

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