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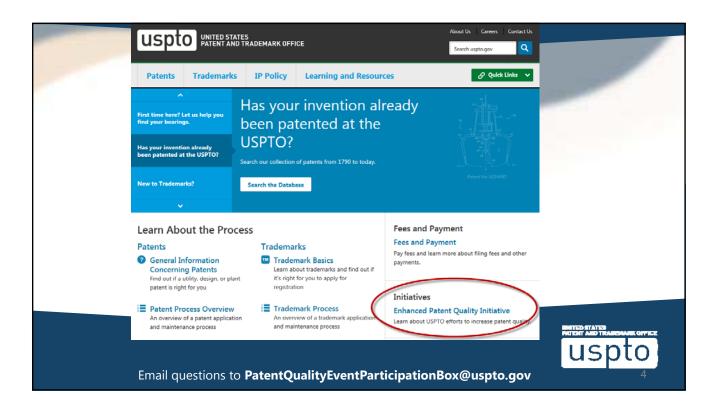
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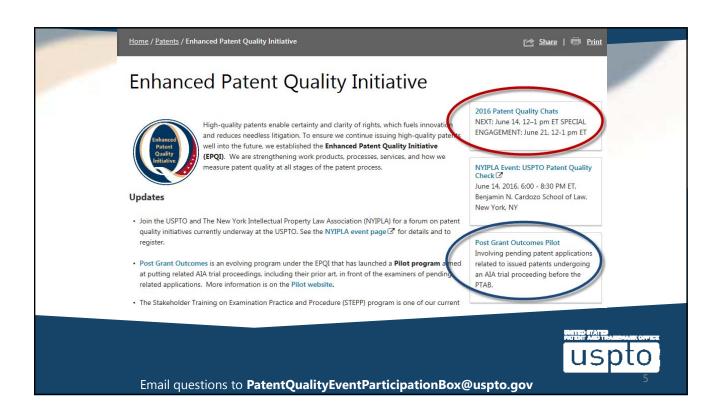


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EPQI UPDATES

- Stakeholder Training on Examination Practice and Procedure (STEPP) program
 - scheduled for July 12 14, 2016
 - Visit STEPP for more information and to help us determine future training.
- Thank you for your comments on our proposed use of quality metrics and our master review form (MRF) in response to our March <u>Federal Register</u> <u>Notice</u> whose comment period closed May 24th.
- We received over 135 qualified topics for our <u>Topic Submission for Case Study pilot program</u> and have selected <u>six topics</u> for study.





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Agenda

- eMod Overview
- Updates to EFS-Web (Electronic Filing System) and PAIR (Patent Application Information Retrieval) Systems
- Patent Center Introduction
- eMod Phases
 - eMod Text Pilot Program
 - eMod Patent Center Beta Program
 - Authentication Update



Public Involvement



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eMod: eCommerce Modernization

The **eMod Project** improves the electronic patent application process by modernizing USPTO's application filing and viewing systems

UPDATES to EFS-Web and Private PAIR

Completed Features

- PAIR Administration features in PAIR to allow self-administration by the user
- New e-Office action search
- Enhanced existing webform for ADS (Application Data Sheet)
- New webform for corrected ADS

Upcoming Features

- Ability to accept structured text (eMod Text Pilot Program)
- Ability to deliver structured text (eMod Text Pilot Program)
- Link to Global Dossier (also available for public PAIR)
- Interim authentication solution

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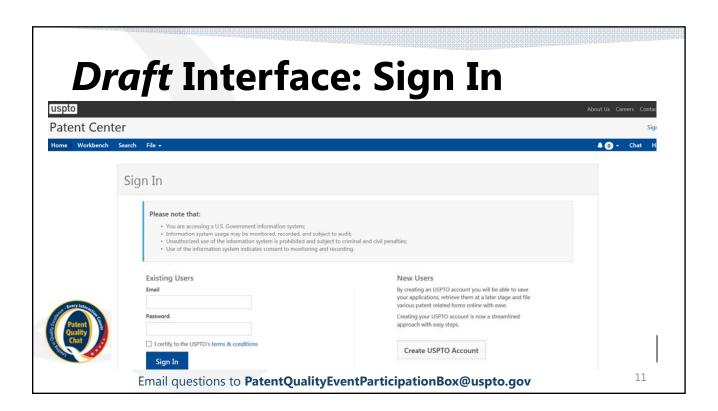


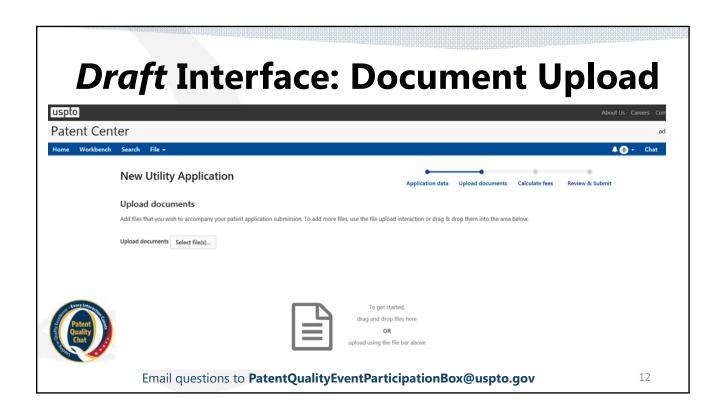
Introducing Patent Center

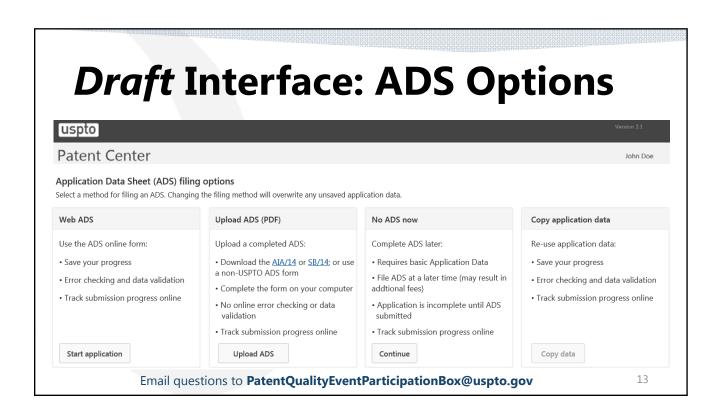
- New, unified system
 - Integrates recent technology for enhanced system operations
 - Features single interface for filing and managing patent applications
- EFS-Web and Private PAIR Replacement
 - All functions in EFS-Web and Private PAIR will be transferred
 - New features, including the ability to accept and deliver structured text, will be incorporated



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Patent Center Benefits

- Updated infrastructure to enable more efficient system integration
- Increased functionality and overall system usefulness
- Enhanced user experience through improved interface
- Improved processes for patent submission, review, and management
- Revamped authentication process to address current Java compatibility
- Increased accuracy of application processing and publication





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eMod Phase 1: Summer 2016

- eMod Text Pilot Program
 - Through EFS-Web and Private PAIR
 - Open to small group of applicants
 - Accept and deliver initial patent application submissions in .docx format
 - Incorporate updates based on user feedback



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eMod Phase 2: Winter 2016

- Interim Authentication Solution
 - Ensuring EFS-Web and Private PAIR accessibility without interruption is our top priority
 - Announcements will be posted after the solution has been successfully tested
 - Full implementation will occur before the Java plugin deprecation
- Patent Center Beta Program
 - Testing of Patent Center while in development
 - With a small group of applicants, with priority given to active participants in the eMod Text Pilot Program



- Unified user interface
- Key functionalities from EFS-Web and PAIR
- Updates based on eMod Text Pilot Program



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eMod Phase 3: Fall 2017

- Deployment of Patent Center
 - Will be available to the public for filing and managing patent applications
 - Enhancements based on feedback gathered from Patent Center Beta Program
 - Functionality from EFS-Web and PAIR
 - Role-based access



- Multiple roles
- Creation of access groups



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eMod Ongoing Efforts

- 1. USPTO is committed to working with our stakeholders to assure that we understand your business needs
- 2. Conduct outreach to inform and seek user feedback
- Continuously look to further streamline the process

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Tuesday, June 21st Evaluating Subject Matter Eligibility

