

# Patent News of Japan

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### **1. Survey of technology trends from patent application information - Building R & D strategy to respond to the fourth industrial revolution -**

Japan Patent Office (JPO) has picked up some topics which are related to market creation and to promote R&D for trend analysis of patent information technology. This year, JPO has conducted a survey about patent application information of 15 IoT related technological themes

As the number of patent applications in the world increases year by year, patent application of IoT related technology, which is closely related to the Fourth Industrial Revolution and is important to realize "Connected Industries" are filed not only in single industry but crossed in multiple industries. Also in bio-technology field, innovative development has drawn big attention.

Some of the reports can be available at <https://www.jpo.go.jp/shiryou/gidou-houkoku.htm>

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### **2. The 7th ASEAN-Japan Heads of IPOs Meeting and the ASEAN IPOs Symposium 2017.**

From May 15 to 16, 2017, JPO has held the Seventh ASEAN-Japan Heads of Intellectual Property Offices Meeting and the ASEAN Intellectual Property Offices Symposium 2017 in Kanazawa City, Ishikawa Prefecture, Japan.

The summary of the outcomes such as 1) Japan-ASEAN Joint Statement, 2) FY2017 Japan-ASEAN IP Rights Action Plan and 3) Future cooperation with the ASEAN countries as well as the results with future action plan of ASEAN IPOs Symposium 2017 are described at the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry website: [http://www.meti.go.jp/english/press/2017/0517\\_003.html](http://www.meti.go.jp/english/press/2017/0517_003.html)

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