Overview of Current status
Verbal report from John Bambridge
Update on Online Filing at the EPO

By the end of 2018, less than 2% of new applications were filed on paper (by post / fax) at the EPO

Electronic filing can be carried by classic Online Filing, CMS (new Online Filing) and Web-Form Filing
Incoming communications

- Online Filing
- New Online Filing (CMS)
- Web-Form Filing

Last updates: November 2018
- Minor maintenance
- WIPO-DAS functionality (EP procedure)
- PCT-SAFE October update

Next updates: April 2019
- WIPO-DAS functionality (PCT procedure)
- Possibility to indicate a Deposit Account for refunds in the PCT procedure
- Consolidation of administrative fees
- Increase of filing fee for new applications filed on paper

European Patent Office
Feedback on eDrex

- Focus on Text Mode
- Corrective version 2.2. rolled-out
- Improvement project initiated aiming at improving further text mode

- Expectation of improved output quality

Update on Fee handling and Credit Card payments
Fee payments

- Online Fee Payment
- Multipay Tool

Last updates: November 2018
- Very minor maintenance

Next updates: April 2019
- Improvement of validation mechanisms (reduction of erroneously or unduly paid fees)
- Consolidation of administrative fees

Update on MyFiles and Mailbox

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Outgoing communications

• Mailbox

No updates in 2018

Next updates: April 2019

Increase of the number of communications that can be received in a company mailbox (322 EP/EPCT and 161 PCT forms are expected to be added to the current list of available communications)