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MINESOFT AND RWS ADD JAPANESE ANALYSIS AND MORE MACHINE TRANSLATION TO PATBASE

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Statistical analysis of Japanese patent documents according to the Japanese classification scheme is now offered in PatBase. Resulting tables and pie-charts can be displayed and downloaded instantly, offering better insight and competitive intelligence about Japanese innovation.

This new feature enables patent searchers to locate, explore and subsequently use the respected Japanese patent classification scheme more easily than ever before.

"Once the detailed Japanese patent classification had been added to the PatBase searchable database, we realized we needed a better and more comprehensive technical translation in the English language than is available at Patent Office sites" explained Ann Chapman, Director of Minesoft.

"Now we have gone a step further with the Japanese documents so that patent searchers can explore the Japanese method of classifying patents without extensive prior knowledge of it – this will be useful to searchers worldwide, not only in Japan."

At the same time, RWS and Minesoft are announcing more machine translation, for Japanese, Chinese, Korean, Spanish, French, German, Italian and Portuguese languages.

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Minesoft is a specialist web software development company, providing products & technical solutions devoted to the patent information sector, with its headquarters in London.

Both companies serve leading multinationals and professional patent organisations.

Note:

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