Report on the content and technical structure of the

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Foreword

This report is dedicated to the CIB (Corporate Invention Board) database that will be opened as part of the RISIS infrastructure. The CIB is an original patent database, which combines financial information extracted from the "ORBIS" financial database (Bureau van Dijk) and patent data extracted from the PATSTAT-IFRIS patent database. As it has been mobilised for setting up the CIB database, the PATSTAT-IFRIS database (not opened as such as part of the RISIS infrastructure) built on the PATSTAT database (from the European Patent Office) is presented in a separated report (Report on PATSTAT-IFRIS patent database).

The figure below summarises the linkages between databases.



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1 Basic characteristics of CIB

• Name and short description of the infrastructure

The Corporate Invention Board (CIB) database developed by Ifris collect patents applied for from 1986 to 2009 by 2058 large firms with the highest annual R&D investments¹. It contains 16 224 135 applications of patents of invention² (among which 8 218 645 are priority patent applications) and gives information related to applicants and inventors, the patent application filing date, the patent office where the patent was filled, the type of patent, technology field categories, the patent title and abstract, citations to other documents. It also gives the name and country of the large firm to which the applicants of the patent belong to.

• Aim of the database (context of data acquisition)

The Corporate Invention Board (CIB) database has been developed for complementing the "Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard" produced annually by European Commission's Institute for Prospective Technological Studies. The industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard³ 2008 analyses the performances of the 2000 industrial companies (1000 based within the European Union, 1000 outside) with the highest annual R&D investments; it covers 80% of world total private R&D. The corresponding CIB database focuses on the outputs of these R&D investments. It provides, through patent statistics, information on technologies and geographical location of the corporate inventive activities. The CIB project has identified the consolidated portfolios⁴ of patents applied for over 20 years (1986-2009) by the large industrial companies from the industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard 2008. The original set of 2000 companies has been enriched with selected Chinese and Indian companies, which results in a total of 2809 corporations. The CIB database

¹ In this document "large firms" will often be used to mean "large firms with the highest annual R&D investments"

² ipr_kind : PI

³ http://iri.jrc.ec.europa.eu/scoreboard.html

⁴ According with Orbis consolidation rules - a threshold of 50,01% of final ownership- subsidiaries' patents have been consolidated within the corporation's patent portfolio

includes 8.2 million priority patents, which represent 38.4% of the total number of priority patents applied for across the world between 1986 and 2009. This unique database allows analysing the transformation of global patent portfolios of industrial groups in the last decades.

• Legal name of operating organization

UPEM - IFRIS

• Database location and type of access:

MySql server at Ifris. It is accessible on site at Ifris at Marne-la-Vallée (France).

2 Information on substantive content of *CIB*

2.1 Definition and description of observations

• Units and definition of observations (e.g., records on firms or programmes, etc.)

The CIB database gives information related to priority patent applications of large firms i.e. the very first patent application, anywhere in the world to protect an invention. The priority date is used to determine the novelty of the invention, which implies that it is an important concept in patent procedures. For statistical purposes, the priority date is the closest date to the date of invention.

• Number of observations (usually the rows in the database on the main unit of observation)

From 1986 to 2009, the Corporate Invention Board database includes 8 218 645 priority patent applications (number of appln_id in table firm_tls201_ifris). It includes 8 109 182 priority patents that directly involved an applicant that belongs to a large firm (also shown in table firm_tls201_ifris) and 109 463 additional priority patents included in the Inpadoc family of those 8 097 126 priority patents but for which no applicants are part of a large firm. It also includes 8 005 490 non-priority patents i.e. further extension of the large firms' priority patents.

The CIB database includes 2319 large firms (guo_id in Table orb_guo_cor). 2058 of them had applied for priority patents between 1986 and 2009 (guo_id in Table orb_guo_cor and firm_tls001_rappln_id).

2.2 Data acquisition and processing (e.g. data cleaning)

• Where are the data retrieved from (e.g., own survey, public information, etc.)

The firm database

Our first data source is the "Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard" (2008 edition) that lists the 2000 industrial companies (1000 based within the European Union, 1000 outside⁵) with the highest annual R&D investments. This initial set was complemented with 500 Indian and Chinese firms declaring R&D investments between 1999 and 2009 in the Computstat database and with name of the 500 most important firms as assignees of WIPO⁶, EPO and USPTO patents. Then using the Orbis database edited by Bureau van Dijk Electronic Publishing we defined the global ultimate owner (GUO) for each of the firms and identified all subsidiaries in which one of the GUOs had more than 50.01% of shares in 2008. We ended with a list of 2319 GUO and 168 533 different subsidiaries. Using the data cleaning and harmonizing methodology developed by Magerman et al. (2006), we prepared a list of cleaned GUO and subsidiaries names that was further enriched by adding firm acronyms, firm old names and standardized names from the Pastat database. The final list of firm names contained 316 676 different names. The next issue was to define the home country of the firm. Following the practice of the "Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard", the home country of the firm (GUO and all its subsidiaries) was defined according to the location of the GUO headquarters.

At last a classification of firms according to industrial sectors was added. It uses the ICB (Industry Classification Benchmark) classification already included in the Industrial R&D Investment Scoreboard files developed by Dow Jones and the Financial Times Stock Exchange (FTSE)⁷. It classifies each of the firms into 10 industries, 18 super sectors and 41 industrial sectors.

The patent database

We used the PATSTAT-IFRIS database, built on PATSTAT version October 2011 provided by EPO (see report "PATSTAT-IFRIS database" for detailed description).

• How are the data processed in terms of data cleaning (e.g. harmonisation of organization names, etc.)

⁵ The excel file can be downloaded in:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/bc4crb102m1fpev/2008_top_1000_EU_companies.xls

https://www.dropbox.com/s/f2tfpespqj61v4e/2008_top_1000_non-EUcompanies.xls

⁶ World Intellectual Property Organization, the international organization that deals with all geographical patent extensions.

⁷ Information on the icb can be found in http://www.icbenchmark.com/

Matching the firm database with the patent databases

The 316 676 firm names were matched with all the applicants standardized names (doc_std_name) of priority patent applications in the Patstat database Basically matching the firm database and the patent database was carried out in two ways: matching both name (exact spelling and proxy) and firm country of our firm list with Patstat applicant standard name and applicant country when this latter information was present in the Patstat database and only exact firm spelling of our firm list when the applicant country information missed. Manual checking was carried out to discard false retrieved patent.



Schematic view of the CIB database building

Identification of "natural persons" among applicants

We ended with 9 586 238 distinct applicants (distinct key_applt) and 19 067 701 inventors (distinct key_invt).

Identification of natural persons (opposed to legal persons) among applicants in the CIB database was carried out by matching the name of the applicants (both person_name and doc_std_name) with a list of natural persons.

If the applicant of the CIB belongs to this list, the field "applt_type_person_name" and/or "applt_type_doc_std_name" will be filled with "natural_person" If the applicant doesn't belong to that list, the fields "applt_type_person_name" and/or "applt_type_doc_std_name" are left empty⁸.

This list where the type of applicant was defined contains the spellings of natural persons from the two fields: person_name and doc_std_name and has been built by combining: i) a list of inventors that also applied for the patent. These natural applicants are easily retrieved within each patent since their person_name and doc_std_name are included both in the applicant field and in the inventor field, ii) a list of applicants that were not inventor but whose name was identified as a possible candidate for natural person (including graphies such as Roger, John ...) and who applied to less than 100 patents (that latter condition reduces dramatically the presence of legal persons), iii) a list for natural name defined in the project "Nano 2009". It includes names / surnames identified by Magerman, names / surnames automatically identified in the nano database and a list of names identified manually.

3 406 658 applicants (key_applt) are tagged as 'Natural person' either in the field "applt_type_person_name" or in the field "applt_type_doc_std_name".

2.3 Information on all variables/indicators

• Description of all variables and/or indicators that are given for the main units of observation (e.g. number of publications, number of patents, etc.)

For each firm (aggregation of the guo and its subsidiaries), the database gives:

- Name of the firm using various spellings (guo_name, guo_name_std, guo_name_patstatstd in Table orb_guo_corr),
- Acronym of the firm (guo_acronym in Table orb_guo_corr),
- Database id of the firm (guo_id in Table orb_guo_corr and Table firm_tls0018rappln_id and Table firm_tls0018rappln_id_group),
- IndexScoreBoard of the firm (IndexScoreBoard in Table orb_guo_corr). This is the firm's id in the Industrial R&D investment Scoreboard,
- Industry Classification of the firm (ICB in Table orb_guo_corr). It give the sector of the firm according to ICB categories (see below),
- Country where the firm's headquarters is located (guo_ctry in Table orb_guo_corr),

⁸ In that case, we cannot undoubtely assess the status of the applicant since our list of natural persons is not exhaustive but it is reasonnable to expect a high rate of legal persons.

- Country code where the firm's headquartes is located (guo_ctrycode in Table orb_guo_corr) following the international two letter country code (ISO alpha-2),
- Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes of the firms (guo_sic_core_code and guo_sic_core in Table orb_guo_corr). It is the business classification codes that the U.S. government assigns to businesses. SIC coding is used primarily to classify a company's main industry and line of business⁹.

The CIB database lists of firm's priority patents and gives information related to these patents according to the information available in Patstat or added classification (inventors address, applicants address, date of applications, type of patent, patent office, title, abstract, patent family, technology field classification). (see Patstat report for detailed information on patent data)

2.4 Sectorial, temporal and geographical coverage

The numbers of patents given in tables shown below are calculated considering the number of priority patent applications (appln_id) given in table tls 201 (unless other specifications) crossed with information from other tables (table orb_guo_corr for firm's sectors and country and table ipc_technology_frac_ifris for patent technology field).

Information on the sectorial classifications used (e.g., economic sectors, technological fields, organizations types, etc.), and listing of all categories for each classification scheme

1) Sector of firms

Firms in the CIB database are classified according to industrial sectors using the Industry Classification Benchmark (ICB)¹⁰. It is an industry classification taxonomy launched by Dow Jones and FTSE in 2005 and now owned solely by FTSE International. It is used to segregate markets into sectors within the macroeconomy. The ICB uses a system of 10 industries, partitioned into 19 supersectors, which are further divided into 41 sectors, which then contain 114 subsectors¹¹

The distribution of firms in CIB at the levels of Industry and Sectors of the ICB categories are given below.

Industry	Nber of firms	Nber of first filings

⁹ http://www.ehow.com/facts_7277558_primary-sic-code_.html#ixzz33qksBG58

¹⁰ Firms are classified just in one sector

¹¹ http://www.icbenchmark.com/

Basic Materials	241	992 950
Consumer Goods	330	2 123 837
Consumer Services	81	105 594
Financials	58	19 392
Health Care	354	284 444
Industrials	596	2 172 644
Oil & Gas	52	84 868
Technology	532	2 261 313
Telecommunications	27	124 757
Utilities	48	56 755
Total	2319	8 226 554

Number of priority patents (1986-2009) and number of firms by industries

Sector	Nber of firms	Nber of first filings
Oil & gas producers	34	63 822
Oil equipment, services & distribution	17	21 013
Alternative energy	1	33
Chemicals	162	706 265
Forestry & paper	17	12 321
Industrial metals	44	261 327
Mining	18	13 037
Construction & materials	67	133 850
Aerospace & defence	49	82 109
General industrials	51	288 751
Electrical components & equipment	76	522 980
Electronic equipment	103	846 562
Commercial vehicles & trucks	40	76 069
Industrial machinery	154	188 240
Industrial transportation	15	937
Support services	41	33 146
Automobiles & parts	111	891 510
Beverages	10	9 821
Food producers	70	35 863
Household goods	50	87
Household goods	50	114 891
Leisure goods	31	1 003 468
Personal goods	58	68 197
Health care equipment & services	67	66 933
Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology	5	411
Biotechnology	122	30 107
Pharmaceuticals	160	186 993
Food & drug retailers	9	4 009
General retailers	23	6 816
Media	22	73 357
Travel & leisure	27	21 412
Fixed line telecommunications	21	106 689
Mobile telecommunications	6	18 068

Electricity	32	31 450
Gas, water & multiutilities	16	25 305
Banks	23	15 728
Nonlife insurance	8	406
Life insurance	2	91
Financial Services	25	3 167
Software & Computer Services	1	10
Computer services	37	281 239
Internet	11	6 031
Software	150	51 986
Computer hardware	61	1 079 886
Electronic office equipment	15	267 106
Semiconductors	129	343 175
Telecommunications equipment	128	231 880

Number of priority patents (1986-2009) and number of firms by subsectors

2) <u>Technology fields of patents</u>

Patents are classified according to technology categories. The categories used in CIB are those build by WIPO (see PATSTAT-IFRIS report for detailed information): 5 domains, 35 fields and 401 subfields.

The distributions of priority patent applications from 1986 to 2005 by domains and fields and subfields are shown below.

Domain_code	Domain_name	Number of priority patent applications
TD01	Electrical engineering	3 886 482
TD02	Instruments	1 776 426
TD03	Chemistry	1 539 908
TD04	Mechanical engineering	2 262 804
TD05	Other fields	486 957

Note: a patent can be affected to several domains

Field_code	Field_name	Number of priority patent applications
TF01	Electrical machinery, apparatus, energy	802 990
TF02	Audio-visual technology	939 461
TF03	Telecommunications	648 241
TF04	Digital communication	334 167
TF05	Basic communication processes	203 618

TF06	Computer technology	986 537
TF07	IT methods for management	107 787
TF08	Semiconductors	755 505
TF09	Optics	848 169
TF10	Measurement	535 894
TF11	Analysis of biological materials	48 570
TF12	Control	269 146
TF13	Medical technology	210 372
TF14	Organic fine chemistry	190 462
TF15	Biotechnology	69 484
TF16	Pharmaceuticals	146 889
TF17	Macromolecular chemistry, polymers	272 165
TF18	Food chemistry	40 158
TF19	Basic materials chemistry	261 976
TF20	Materials, metallurgy	278 481
TF21	Surface technology, coating	284 335
TF22	Micro-structural and nano-technology	11 933
TF23	Chemical engineering	228 246
TF24	Environmental technology	155 609
TF25	Handling	283 912
TF26	Machine tools	259 927
TF27	Engines, pumps, turbines	342 854
TF28	Textile and paper machines	363 841
TF29	Other special machines	284 163
TF30	Thermal processes and apparatus	217 356
TF31	Mechanical elements	306 859
TF32	Transport	485 389
TF33	Furniture, games	140 409
TF34	Other consumer goods	157 230
TF35	Civil engineering	205 918

Note: a patent can be attributed to several fields

	Number of priority patent applications	Number of priority
sfields		patent applications
T01F01	Lighting	40 734
T01F02	Displaying Advertising	59 548
T01F03	Transmission Systems	10 731
T01F04	Transmission Of Digital Inf	281 875
T01F05	Basic Electronic Circuitry	203 618
T01F06	Mechanic Digital Comput	885 330
T01F07	Data Processing Systems	107 787
T01F08	Semiconductor Devices	755 505
T01F09	Optical Elements Systems	395 060
T01F10	Measuring Length Thickness	64 831
T01F11	Mat Analysis by Chem/Phys Prop	48 570

T01F12	Control Systems in General	61 650
T01F13	Surgery-Diagnosis	110 538
T01F14	Cosmetic Preparations	40 519
T01F15	Compounds Of Unknown Constitution	270
T01F16	Medical Preparations	143 179
T01F17	Polysaccharides	4 168
T01F18	New Plants	6 485
T01F19	Disinfectants	29 675
T01F20	Casting and Powder Metallurgy	55 180
T01F21	Apparatus For Applying Liquids	22 684
T01F22	Micro-Structural Technology	9 169
T01F23	Boiling	255
T01F24	Fire-Fighting	3 445
T01F25	Manipulators	23 889
T01F26	Mechanical Metal-Working	2 745
T01F27	Machines Or Engines for + Displacement	1 185
T01F28	Methofs for Clothes	451
T01F29	Soil Working	7 450
T01F30	Steam generation	7 750
T01F31	Fluid Pressure Actuator	14 861
T01F32	Vehicles	372 661
T01F33	Furniture and Dom Equipt	85 047
T01F34	Tobacco	3 424
T01F35	Permanent ways	2 279
T02F01	Cables with Special Electric Properties	54 827
T02F02	Arrangements For Control	99 934
T02F03	Waveguides	19 299
T02F04	Selective Content Distrib	120
T02F06	Speech Anal. Or Synth.	35 720
T02F09	Photograph Apparatus	111 654
T02F10	Measuring Distances Levels	48 638
T02F12	Regulating Non Electric Variables	32 757
T02F13	Dentistry	4 681
T02F14	Use of Cosmetics	38 409
T02F15	Peptides	17 524
T02F16	Therap Activ Of Chem Comp	82 013
T02F17	Treatment Of Rubbers	1 845
T02F18	Treatment of Dough	2 865
T02F19	Repellants	3 259
T02F20	Inorganic Chem	59 297
T02F21	Liquid Application Processes	36 754
T02F22	Nano-Technology	2 902
T02F23	Separation	5 461
T02F24	Protection against Fire and Chemicals	1 510
T02F25	Packaging Machines	14 626

T02F26	Machine Tools	72 176
T02F27	Piston Machines Or Engines	2 592
T02F28	Repairing Footwear	290
T02F29	Planting	8 499
T02F30	Combustion Apparatus Using Solid Fuel	178
T02F31	Engineering Elts or Units	283 415
T02F32	Railways	16 528
T02F33	Sports and Games	55 541
T02F34	Shirts	917
T02F35	Hydraulic Eng Found Soil-Shifting	4 991
T03F01	Resistors	14 096
T03F02	Info Storage Based Record Carrier	299 320
T03F03	Aerials	34 683
T03F04	Wireless Comm	72 290
T03F06	Static Stores	88 584
T03F09	Photographic Processes	29 775
T03F10	Multivariable Measuring	28 747
T03F12	Regulating Electric Variables	18 435
T03F13	Veterinary	417
T03F14	Organic Chemistry	27 063
T03F15	Apparatus For Enzymology Or Microbiology	9 697
T03F17	Macromol with C-to-C Unsaturated Bonds	78 361
T03F18	Preseving food	3 064
T03F19	Fertilisers	2 836
T03F20	Glasses	24 080
T03F21	Layered Products	93 994
	Evaporating and extraction and separation and degaseification	
T03F23		9 492
T03F24	Separating Gases	10 214
T03F25	Labelling Machines	1 953
T03F26	Grinding and Polishing	131 924
T03F27	Machines Or Engines for - Displacement	20 196
T03F28	Production of Brushes	627
T03F29	Harvesting	11 475
T03F30	Combustion Apparatus Using Fluent Fuel	6 088
T03F31	Stroring Distributing Non Solids	9 018
T03F32	Land Vehicles	95 027
T03F34	Corsets	189
T03F35	Other Subjects Building	3 717
T04F01	Magnets	56 955
T04F02	Scanning details of television	7 207
T04F03	Transmission	206 484
T04F09	Apparatus For Processing Exposed Photographic Materials	7 047
T04F10	Measuring Volume Flow	22 675

T04F12	Checking Devices	68 144
T04F13	Blood Vessel Filters	32 762
T04F14	Acyclic or Carbocyclic Comp	77 852
T04F15	Micro-Orga Enzymes Culture Media	39 677
T04F17	Macromol withouth C-to-C Unsaturated Bonds	89 545
T04F18	Dairy Products	2 825
T04F19	Explosives	2 008
T04F20	Refractories	63 969
T04F21	Coating Metallic Material	114 824
T04F23	Separation and Filters	8 863
T04F24	Filtering Gases	941
T04F25	Containers for Storage	66 042
T04F26	Tools Or Benches	33 179
T04F27	Steam Engine Plants	5 155
T04F28	Working Paper	4 227
T04F29	Harvested Produce	5 957
T04F30	Burners	9 232
T04F31	Mechanical Control Systems	5 428
T04F32	Ships	7 886
T04F34	Outerwear	3 457
T04F35	Surfaces for roads and sport grounds	99
T05F01	Capacitors	30 461
T05F02	Details of TV syst	229 134
T05F03	Broadcas Communication	14 323
T05F09	Photomechanics of Surfaces	95 252
T05F10	Weighing	5 408
T05F12	Signalling Systems	34 351
T05F13	Furniture for Patients	5 439
T05F14	Heterocyclic Compounds	62 084
T05F15	Fermentation Or Enzyme-Using Processes	17 629
T05F17	Derivatives Of Natural Macromolecules	380
T05F18	Edible Oils	2 004
T05F19	Organic Dyes	15 231
T05F20	Metallurgy of Iron	50 693
T05F21	Electrolytic Or Electrophoretic Processes	28 204
T05F23	Distillation	13 339
T05F24	Separating by Liquids	78
T05F25	Transport of Storage Devices	49 297
T05F26	Nailing Or Stapling Tools	7 188
T05F27	Cyclic Machines Or Engines	19 830
T05F28	Printing	279 800
T05F29	Horticulture	8 595
T05F30	Grates	181
T05F32	Launching of Vessels	1 265

105F34	Suspenders	150
T05F35	Bridges	13
T06F01	Electric Switches	51 838
T06F02	Pictorial Communication	119 332
T06F03	Multiplex Communication	52 971
T06F09	Photomecha Prod Of Surfaces	229 862
T06F10	Measuring Vibrations	6 055
T06F12	Traffic Control Systems	45 981
T06F13	Therapy Apparatus	7 731
T06F14	Compounds with Elts Other Than C H Halogen O N S Se or Te	17 920
T06F15	Measur Proc with Enzymes Or Micro-Orga	21 297
T06F17	Inorg Or Non-Macromol Organ Subst	81 205
T06F18	Coffee and Tea	1 807
T06F19	Dyeing Of Inorganics	6 586
T06F20	Metallurgy	75 361
T06F21	Crystal Growth	22 523
T06F23	Regeneration of Filters	177
T06F24	Other Separating	853
T06F25	Handling Thin Material	87 809
T06F26	Percussive Tools	1 540
T06F27	Lubricating Of Machines Or Engines	11 179
T06F28	Mechanical Processing Of Skins Hides Or Leather	81
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T06F29	Prod of Dairy Products	488
T06F29 T06F30	Feeding Fuel To Combustion Apparatus	488 2 837
T06F29 T06F30 T06F32	Feeding Fuel To Combustion Apparatus Weapons on Vessels	488 2 837 819
T06F29 T06F30 T06F32 T06F34	Feeding Fuel To Combustion Apparatus Weapons on Vessels Wigs	488 2 837 819 265
T06F29 T06F30 T06F32 T06F34 T06F35	Feeding Fuel To Combustion Apparatus Weapons on Vessels Wigs Platforms or refuge islands	488 2 837 819 265 16
T06F29 T06F30 T06F32 T06F34 T06F35 T07F01	Feeding Fuel To Combustion Apparatus Weapons on Vessels Wigs Platforms or refuge islands Discharge Lamps	488 2 837 819 265 16 91 869
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T09F18	Fodder	3 581
T09F19	Polishing Compositions	1 341
T09F23	Separation of isotopes	936
T09F24	Treatment of gases	41 174
T09F26	Workshop Equipment	500
T09F27	Propulsive Mach Or Eng For Liquids or Wind	8 497
T09F28	Shedding Mechanisms	7 124

T09F29	Traps for animals	2 758
T09F30	Controlling Combustion	9 003
T09F32	Aircraft	20 526
T09F34	Laces	454
T09F35	Protection again snow or sand drifts	711
T10F01	Elect-Conductive Connections	71 750
T10F02	Diagnosis for television systems	364
T10F03	Transmission or repro of doc	120 371
T10F10	Testing Structures	32 730
T10F13	Electrotherapy	15 194
T10F18	Other Foods	21 450
T10F19	Glue Or Gelatine	59
T10F23	Semi-permeable membranes	14 467
T10F24	Separation of gases	16 857
T10F26	Other Hand-Held Cutting Tools	1 274
T10F27	Mach For Liquids Pumps Piston	69 850
T10F28	Knitting	2 269
T10F29	Baking	745
T10F30	Extinguishing Devices	2 184
T10F34	Fasteners and Braselets	2 961
T10F35	Road signs or traffic signals	1 570
T11F01	Spark Gaps	6 651
T11F02	Loudspeakers Microphones	5 561
T11F10	Chem Physical Analyses	147 777
T11F13	X-Ray Technique	4 348
T11F18	Brewing Of Beer	560
T11F19	Adhesives	32 588
T11F23	Separation apparatus and processes	6 018
T11F24	Solid Waste and Contaminated Soils	2 651
T11F26	Cutting	3 419
	Generating Combustion Products Of High P Or	
T11F27	High V	4 388
T11F28	Braiding	356
T11F29	Dough	854
T11F30	Dom Stoves For Solid Fuels	106 386
T11F34	Hand or Travelling Articles	8 030
T11F35	Sensitive and restricitng and safety in roads	36 280
T12F01	Electricity Boards	251 150
T12F02	Stereophonic Systems	17 280
T12F10	Measuring Speed Acceleration	23 681
T12F18	Fermented Solutions	56
T12F19	Materials For Miscellaneous Applications	54 801
T12F23	Semi-permeable membranes for separation	13 910
T12F24	Gathering of Domestic Refuse	42 243

T12F26	Perforating	7 228
T12F28	Making Nets	72
T12F29	Treatment of Meat	748
T12F30	Refrigeration Systems	44 881
T12F34	Brushes	2 538
T12F35	Street Land Cleaning	22 807
T13F01	Electric Heating	81 595
T13F02	Printed Circuits	30 276
T13F10	Measuring Electric Variables	4 619
T13F18	Alcoholic Beverages	564
T13F19	Production Of Gas Coke Tar by distillation	5 036
T13F23	Mixing	84 984
T13F24	Water Treatment	797
T13F26	Working Wood	4 006
T13F27	Nuclear Eng.	36 881
T13F28	Textile Fabrics	10 106
T13F29	Process of Harvests	505
T13F30	Ice	4 419
T13F34	Methods For Life-Saving	2 318
T13F35	Water supply sewerage	72 447
T14F01	Electrical Device stopping human beings	62
T14F02	Stereophonic Syst	5 053
T14F10	Radio Direction-Finding	109 215
T14F18	Treatment of Alcoholic Beverages	398
T14F19	Working-Up Tar	877
T14F23	Chem and Phys Processes	5 210
T14F24	Absorbing noise from roads	37 127
T14F26	Presses	6 999
T14F28	Sewing	4 982
T14F29	Working Of Foodstuffs	1 114
T14F30	Furnaces ovens	18 127
T14F34	Other Life saving and Amusement	1
T14F35	Building	29 440
T15F01	Static Electricity	2 093
T15F02	Printed Circuits	182 095
T15F10	Geophysics	45 889
T15F18	Vinegar	43
T15F19	Working-Up Of Peat	32
T15F23	Chem Or Phys Lab Apparatus	7 887
T15F24	Gas-Flow Silencers	7 577
T15F26	Presses	7 500
T15F28	Mechanical Or Pressure Cleaning of Textile	23
T15F29	Preparing Grain and Fruit	1 862
T15F30	Heat Exchange	32 060

T15F34	Bookbinding	23 564
T15F35	Locking Safing	11 147
T16F01	Other subjects electricity	1
T16F10	Meteorology	14 702
T16F18	Sugar Juices	50
T16F19	Cracking Hydrocarbon Oils	12 909
T16F23	Crushing and Milling	7 397
T16F24	Furnaces	5 059
	Marking Inspecting Seaming Or Severing	
T16F28	Textile	692
T16F29	Working Cement or Stone	16 671
T16F34	Writing Implements	3 866
T16F35	Openings in Building Ladder	33 197
T17F10	Horology	2 103
T17F18	Sugar	156
T17F19	Wet Production Of Acetylene	7
T17F23	Separation of solid materials	3 809
T17F24	Combustion Products	12 284
T17F28	Pleating Kilting Or Goffering Textile	68
T17F29	Working of Plastics	129 187
T17F34	Decorative Arts	6 242
T17F35	Earth Or Rock Drilling	1
T18F10	Details Of Instruments	11 572
T18F18	Extraction Of Sugar	51
T18F19	Production Of Gas From Solid C-Material	2 596
T18F23	Centrifuges	15 611
T18F28	Other Treatments	14 525
T18F34	Saddlery and Upholstery	1 258
T19F10	Other subjects nucleonics	3 507
T19F18	Synthesis Of Sugars	31
T19F19	Modifying Combustible Gases Containing CO	1 152
T19F23	Spraying	3 709
T19F28	Dyeing Or Printing Textiles	5 430
T19F29	Manufacturind or Shaping	18 848
T19F34	Trimmings	108
T20F18	Drying Sugar	4
T20F19	Fuels	7 551
T20F23	Generating Mechanical Vibrations	8 024
T20F28	Decorating Textiles	216
T20F29	Processes Of Compounding	73 679
T20F34	Laundering	28 534
T21F18	Working-up of Sugar	39
T21F19	Lubrifiant	14 188
T21F23	Separating Solids and Sorting	18 173

T21F28	Paper Making	23 420
T21F29	Pitching Machines	1
T21F34	Wall Floor Covering	2 937
T22F19	Lubrifiant indexed	9 4 2 6
T22F23	Cleaning	722
T22F29	Sugar Production	2
T22F34	Rope non electric cable	2 276
T23F18	Sugar Juices	1
T23F19	Fats	2 376
T23F23	Chemical Processing Of Skins Hides Or Leather	1 086
T23F29	Evaporation Apparatus	5
T23F34	Cooling Or Freezing Apparatus	33 763
T24F18	Sugar	2
T24F19	Fatty Acids	1 031
T24F23	Treating Textile	1 237
T24F29	Cutting of Sugar	42
T24F34	Organs Harmoniums	805
T25F19	Detergent Compositions	27 547
T25F23	Finishing Dressing Tentering Or Stretching Textile	2 026
T25F29	Weapons	1
T25F34	Pianos	672
T26F18	Sugar Synth	253
T26F23	Bleaching	3 411
T26F34	Musical Instruments	569
T27F23	Phase transformation Of Gases	8 524
T27F34	Automatic Musical Instruments	566
T28F23	Drying	12 543
T28F34	Aids For Music	1 632
T29F29	Weapons	6 123
T29F34	Electrophonic Musical Instruments	13 364
T30F29	Ammunitions Blasting	5 982
T30F34	Sound-Producing Devices	16 937

Note: a patent can be affected to several subfields

• Information on the temporal coverage used (e.g. annual data from 1990-2010, etc.)

The CIB database covers a period of time ranging from 1986 to 2009

The distribution of priority patent applications from 1986 to 2009 by application filling year is shown below.

Application filling_year	Number of priority patent applications
1986	246 570
1987	264 902
1988	263 912
1989	270 380
1990	285 572
1991	294 736
1992	281 169
1993	296 662
1994	282 952
1995	309 709
1996	313 578
1997	335 507
1998	350 054
1999	363 908
2000	383 527
2001	392 436
2002	391 698
2003	401 079
2004	421 582
2005	432 577
2006	421 750
2007	414 839
2008	404 406
2009	285 677
Total	8 109 182

• Information on the geographical coverage and classifications used The information is detailed in the Patstat report

ISO 3166 a standard developed for the current names of countries, dependencies, and other areas of particular geopolitical interest, on the basis of lists of country names obtained from the United Nations and maintained by the ISO 3166 Maintenance Agency established by the ISO Council, the International Organization for Standardization (ISO). The international two letter country code (ISO alpha-2) is used as Harmonized country code.

The distributions of firms and priority patent applications from 1986 to 2009 by firm's country and firm's continent are shown below.

Harmonized country name	Harmonized country code	Number of firms	Number of priority patents
NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	AN	1	6 755

AUSTRIA	AT	25	5 511
AUSTRALIA	AU	9	3 042
BELGIUM	BE	39	14 161
BERMUDA	BM	11	20 383
BRAZIL	BR	9	1 618
BAHAMAS, THE	BS	1	32
CANADA	CA	25	18 916
SWITZERLAND	СН	41	73 733
CHINA	CN	80	60 965
CZECH REPUBLIC	CZ	2	18
GERMANY	DE	182	397 198
DENMARK	DK	43	15 783
SPAIN	ES	21	2 259
FINLAND	FI	59	34 277
FRANCE	FR	109	152 648
UNITED KINGDOM	GB	260	89 416
GIBRALTAR	GI	3	74
GREECE	GR	6	178
HONG KONG	НК	6	3 970
HUNGARY	HU	2	743
IRELAND	IE	11	2 167
ISRAEL	IL	10	2 714
INDIA	IN	326	7 220
ITALY	IT	51	17 311
JAPAN	JP	245	5 418 369
SOUTH KOREA	KR	18	492 731
CAYMAN ISLANDS	КҮ	5	6 433
LIECHTENSTEIN	LI	1	2 033
LUXEMBOURG	LU	5	1 119
MALTA	MT	1	31
MALAYSIA	MY	1	0
NETHERLANDS	NL	49	98 262
NORWAY	NO	8	2 895
NEW ZEALAND	NZ	2	598
PANAMA	РА	1	1 090
POLAND	PL	3	204
PORTUGAL	РТ	4	3
RUSSIA	RU	3	237
SWEDEN	SE	77	51 140
SINGAPORE	SG	5	999
SLOVENIA	SI	2	30
TURKEY	TR	2	41
TAIWAN	TW	41	75 198
UNITED STATES	US	513	1 053 152
SOUTH AFRICA	ZA	1	329

Patents are counted at the firm level. For patents co-applied by several firms, double counting is applied. A patent shared by firm A and firm B counts as one patent for firm A and one patent for firm B. As a consequence the total is higher than the total number of patents applied for in the CIB database.

Continent	Number of firms	Number of priority patents
Africa	1	329
Asia	734	6 062 207
Europe	1024	995 002
Latin America and the Caribbean	11	2 740
Northern America	538	1 072 068
Oceania	11	3 640
Total	2319	8 135 986

The distribution of priority patent applications from 1986 to 2009 by national or regional patent office is shown below.

Country of the patent office (appln_auth)	Number of priority applications	Country of the patent office (appln_auth)	Number of priority applications	Country of the patent office (appln_auth)	Number of priority applications
JP	5 319 006	LU	683	CR	22
US	1 252 880	TR	589	TH	20
KR	488 898	DO	433	BX	18
DE	383 434	ID	419	TJ	14
EP	130 561	YU	355	GT	13
GB	117 300	НК	340	BA	10
CN	112 929	ХН	336	MD	9
FR	102 821	PT	291	EE	7
TW	31 725	MY	268	MW	7
SE	23 992	CS	246	VE	7
IT	15 885	HR	230	MC	6
FI	15 452	EG	220	MT	6
AU	14 204	GR	193	РК	6
IN	11 592	CU	188	NI	5
СН	11 566	RO	183	VN	5
CA	8 515	SU	182	BD	4
NL	8 121	РН	156	SM	4
DK	7 314	MA	128	BH	2
AT	4 184	IS	105	BY	2

IE	4 074	PE	90	КР	2
BR	4 058	CL	77	KZ	2
NO	3 282	SI	72	МК	2
ES	3 278	SK	71	ОМ	2
CZ	3 112	BG	69	SY	2
IB	2 964	LV	53	TN	2
ZA	2 911	SV	47	AE	1
SG	2 794	AP	45	AM	1
EM	2 222	OA	44	AZ	1
HU	1 928	PA	42	СҮ	1
BE	1 615	LT	40	IR	1
IL	1 503	DZ	38	JO	1
RU	1 418	EC	38	LB	1
NZ	1 381	UA	31	LK	1
AR	1 028	GC	29	NG	1
MX	1 019	ZW	29	РҮ	1
PL	974	EA	26	SB	1
DD	970	RS	26		
СО	870	HN	23		
UY	754	ZM	23		

2.5 Quality and accuracy of data

• Information on the number of missing values (no ipc, no inventors, no date, no addresses, no countries)

The Patstat database includes artificial priority patents for which no information is available to the exception of the filing patent office and date of filing. When possible, filling of missing information of artificial patents was carried out (retrieved from other patents belonging to the same patent family) in the PATSTAT-IFRIS (see PATSTAT-IFRIS Report for further details). When missing applicants were filled, it allows to also consider artificial patents when matching the patents DB and the firm name list.

In CIB, 11,4% of the patents are artificial patents that were enriched prior to DB matching.

Patent origin	Number of first filing
Non artificial	7 187 452
Artificial	921 730
Total	8 109 182

1) Dates of patent applications

All the patent applications are given an application filling date and an applicationfiling year.

2) Missing information on patent inventors or patent applicants

As detailed in the PATSTAT-IFRIS section, patent often displays missing information on inventors and/or applicants. Despite several step to recover information from other databases (Regpat and Inpi databases), patents lacking inventor or applicant information are still present in the CIB database.

Different case of missing information exists:

- The database gives no information on any inventor (or applicant) of a patent. In that case, the patent application is present (with its appln_id) in table firm_tls201_appln_ifris but absent of the table invt_addr_ifris that includes only patent with at least a few information on inventors (or table applt_addr_ifris only patent with at least a few information on applicants).
- The number of priority patents (appln id in firm tls201 appln ifris) • without any information on inventors is 110 771 (appln id not in table invt_addr_ifris). The number of priority patents (appln_id in firm tls201 appln ifris) without any information on applicants is 11 971 (appln_id not in table applt_addr_ifris)¹². The number of priority patents (appln id in firm tls201 appln ifris) without any information on applicants nor on inventors is 28 (appln_id not in table applt_addr_ifris nor in table invt addr ifris). The number of priority patents applied for belonging to a large firm (appln id an entity in Table firm_tls001_rappln_id) without any information on inventors is 110 739 (appln_id not in table invt_addr_ifris).
- The database gives information on inventor (or applicant) of a patent but this information may be partial (absence of the inventor or applicant name, address, country). In that case, the patent application is present (with its appln_id) in table invt_addr_ifris (or table applt_addr_ifris) but some fields are still empty after the filling steps described in the PATSTAT-IFRIS section.

The tables shown below give the number and share of given or missing information for inventors (or applicants) in the final CIB database (priority patents from 1986 to 2009). The statistics are calculated using data from table invt_addr_ifris for inventors and from table applt_addr_ifris for applicants.

Source	PersonName of inventors	Number	Share (%)

¹² Patents without any information on applicants are patents belonging to inpadoc families of firm priority patents (see 2.1 of this report for further explanations)

Patstat Raw data	WithoutPersonName	6	0,00
Patstat Raw data	WithPersonName	14 663 514	76,32
ARTIFICIAL	WithoutPersonName	5	0,00
ARTIFICIAL	WithPersonName	2 975 012	15,49
INPI	WithPersonName	163 765	0,85
PROPAG	WithPersonName	1 115 432	5,81
REGPAT	WithPersonName	294 250	1,53
Total		19 211 984	100.00

Table invt_addr_ifris gives information for all inventor names (except 11) of the priority patents. ³/₄ of this information was given in the initial Patstat raw data (76%); 15% by retrieving information in patent families of artificial patents (see Pastat report for details).

The table below describes number and share of present and missing information in fields related to addresses of inventors. It gives statistics on two fields, the address field (complete information on the address) (field adr_final from Table invt-addr_ifris) and the country field (field ctry_final from Table invt-addr_ifris)

Source	Address of inventors	CtryCode	Number	Share (%)
Patstat Raw data	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	2 303 170	11,99
Patstat Raw data	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	7 889	0,04
Patstat Raw data	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	1 916 813	9,98
Patstat Raw data	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	10 435 648	54,32
ARTIF	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	2 106 892	10,97
ARTIF	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	1 826	0,01
ARTIF	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	254 981	1,33
ARTIF	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	611 318	3,18
INPI	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	163 388	0,85
INPI	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	375	0,00
INPI	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	2	0,00
PROPAG	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	1 113 399	5,80
PROPAG	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	2 033	0,01
REGPAT	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	293 202	1,53
REGPAT	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	1 048	0,01
Total			19 211 984	100,00

Source	PersonName of applicants	Number	Share (%)
Patstat Raw data	WithoutPersonName	2	0,00
Patstat Raw data	WithPersonName	7 592 258	78,25
ARTIF	WithoutPersonName	3	0,00

ARTIF	WithPersonName	1 660 617	17,11
INPI	WithPersonName	63 212	0,65
PROPAG	WithPersonName	268 955	2,77
REGPAT	WithPersonName	117 882	1,21
TOTAL		9 702 929	100,00

Table applt_addr_ifris gives information for all applicant names (except 5) of the priority patents. Most of this informaton was given in the initial Patstat raw data (78%) and artificial patents (17%).

The table below describes number and share of present and missing information in fields related to addresses of applicants. It gives statistics on two fields, the address field (complete information on the address) (field adr_final from Table applt-addr_ifris) and the country field (field ctry_final from Table applt-addr_ifris).

Source	Address	CtryCode	NbAdressesApplications	Share (%)
Patstat Raw data	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	870 397	8,97
Patstat Raw data	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	1 173	0,01
Patstat Raw data	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	1 184 853	12,21
Patstat Raw data	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	5 535 837	57,05
ARTIF	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	666 940	6,87
ARTIF	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	360	0,00
ARTIF	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	694 294	7,16
ARTIF	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	299 026	3,08
INPI	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	63 208	0,65
INPI	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	2	0,00
INPI	WithoutAddress	WithoutCtryCode	2	0,00
PROPAG	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	268 531	2,77
PROPAG	WithAddress	WithoutCtryCode	424	0,00
REGPAT	WithAddress	WithCtryCode	117 876	1,21
REGPAT	WithoutAddress	WithCtryCode	6	0,00
total			9 702 929	100,00

3) Missing information on patent IPC code

140 203 priority patents (appln_id in Table firm_tls201_appln_ifris do not have any information on IPC (appln_id not in table firm_appln_ipc_techno). 134 476 of them are priority patents of firms (present in Table firm_tls001_rappln_id and not in table firm_appln_ipc_techno).

• Estimation of data quality issues with respect to data acquisition, reliability of retrieving system

No external current assessment is available but exchanges on methodological strategies for DB building with FhG ISI are regularly programmed.

Various sources of noise have been identified:

- Quality for ORBIS information
- Quality of standardisation for applicants' names
- Patents where information does not allow a unequivocal allocation

3 Legal issues encountered and access conditions

• Legal issues concerning access of the database

Information can only be opened at aggregated level (i.e. group level). It can not be opened at a non aggregated level (i.e. at subsidiaries level) as it builds directly on ORBIS proprietary data.

- Owner of raw data:
- EPO and UPEM IFRIS for patent information
- Bureau van Dijk, IPTS and IFRIS for corporate data

Current practice for opening up of the database to external users :

The access to the CIB data within the RISIS project requires that the partners previously subscribe to the Patstat database (version Patstat 2011 Autumn or more version). The access is limited to academic exploitation and collaborations. No contractual use of the CIB data is allowed.

• Legal necessities for potential opening procedures: a Patstat subscription from users is required

4 Technical structure of CIB

4.1 Information on the data base system

• Current data base system used (e.g. Microsoft Access)

The current data base system is My SQL 5.1.63 with MyISAM as the default storage engine. In term of maintainability and backup, the main advantage of this storage engine is to use three different files for each table of a database:

- the data file has a .MYD (MYData) extension;
- the index file has a .MYI (MYIndex) extension;
- the structure file has a .frm extension.

MySQL is optimized for an intensive usage: a high level of accessibility and efficiency, for a low amount of users

• Planned future technical changes concerning data base system

No changes planned

- 4.2 Technical variable definition
 - Labeling of all variables
 - Data type of all variables (e.g., float, string, etc.)
 - Current usage and definition of unique identifiers (if applicable)
- Name of the firm using various spellings (Table orb_guo_corr):

guo_name (varchar(255))

guo_name_std (varchar(255))

guo_name_patstatstd (varchar(255))

• Acronym of the firm (Table orb_guo_corr):

guo_acronym(varchar(255))

• Database id of the firm (Table orb_guo_corr, Table firm_tls0018rappln_id, Table firm_tls0018rappln_id_group):

guo_id : unique identifier (int(11))

- IndexScoreBoard of the firm (Table orb_guo_corr). This is the firm's id in the Industrial R&D investment Scoreboard: IndexScoreBoard (double)
- Industry Classification of the firm (Table orb_guo_corr). It give the sector of the firm according to ICB categories (see below): ICB (int(11))
- Country where the firm's headquarters is located (Table orb_guo_corr): guo_ctry (varchar(50))
- Country code where the firm's headquartes is located (Table orb_guo_corr) following the international two letter country code (ISO alpha-2): guo_ctrycode (varchar(50))

 Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) codes of the firms (Table orb_guo_corr). It is the business classification codes that the U.S. government assigns to businesses. SIC coding is used primarily to classify a company's main industry and line of business¹³: guo_sic_core_code (int(11)) guo_sic_core (varchar(255))

The table below presents the country harmonisation that has been applied.

continent	region	lib_ctry_harm	ctry_harm	guo_ctrycode	NbGUO
Africa	Southern Africa	SOUTH AFRICA	ZA	ZA	1
Asia	Eastern Asia	CHINA	CN	CN	80
Asia	Eastern Asia	HONG KONG	HK	HK	6
Asia	Western Asia	ISRAEL	IL	IL	10
Asia	South-central Asia	INDIA	IN	IN	326
Asia	Eastern Asia	JAPAN	JP	JP	245
Asia	Eastern Asia	SOUTH KOREA	KR	KR	18
Asia	South-eastern Asia	MALAYSIA	MY	MY	1
Asia	South-eastern Asia	SINGAPORE	SG	SG	5
Asia	Western Asia	TURKEY	TR	TR	2
Asia	Eastern Asia	TAIWAN	TW	TW	41
Europe	Western Europe	AUSTRIA	AT	AT	25
Europe	Western Europe	BELGIUM	BE	BE	39
Europe	Western Europe	SWITZERLAND	СН	СН	41
		CZECH			
Europe	Eastern Europe	REPUBLIC	CZ	CZ	2
Europe	Western Europe	GERMANY	DE	DE	182
Europe	Northern Europe	DENMARK	DK	DK	43
Europe	Southern Europe	SPAIN	ES	ES	21
Europe	Northern Europe	FINLAND	FI	FI	59
Europe	Western Europe	FRANCE	FR	FR	109
		UNITED			
Europe	Northern Europe	KINGDOM	GB	BM	11
		UNITED			
Europe	Northern Europe	KINGDOM	GB	GB	260
F	Newtherma Ermane	UNITED			0
Europe	Northern Europe		GB	GI	3
Europo	Northorn Europa		CP	KV	5
Europo	Southorn Europo		GB	CP CP	5
Europe	Southern Europe			un	0
Europe	Northorn Europe				<u> </u>
Europe	Southern Europe				51
Europe					1
Europe	Western Europe				I
Europe	Southern Europe				5
Europe					
	Western Europe				1
	Nexthere Europe				49
					8
Europe	Eastern Europe			PL	3
Europe	Southern Europe	PORTUGAL	171	۲	4

¹³ http://www.ehow.com/facts_7277558_primary-sic-code_.html#ixzz33qksBG58

Europe	Eastern Europe	RUSSIA	RU	RU	3
Europe	Northern Europe	SWEDEN	SE	SE	77
Europe	Southern Europe	SLOVENIA	SI	SI	2
Latin America and the					
Caribbean	South America	BRAZIL	BR	BR	9
Latin America and the					
Caribbean	the Caribbean	BAHAMAS, THE	BS	BS	1
Latin America and the					
Caribbean	Central America	PANAMA	PA	PA	1
Northern America	Northern America	CANADA	CA	CA	25
Northern America	Northern America	UNITED STATES	US	US	513
	Australia and New				
Oceania	Zealand	AUSTRALIA	AU	AU	9
	Australia and New				
Oceania	Zealand	NEW ZEALAND	NZ	NZ	2

The table below presents the nomenclature of industrial super sectors, sectors and subsectors that has been used for firms.

	codel		codeS		code		code
industry	ndus	supersector	uper	sector	Sect	subsector	Sub
Oil & Gas	1	Oil & Gas	500	Oil & gas producers	530		0
				Oil equipment,			
Oil & Gas	0	Oil & Gas	0	services & distribution	570		0
Oil & Gas	0	Oil & Gas	0	Alternative energy	580		0
Basic							
Materials	1000	Chemicals	1300	Chemicals	1350		0
Basic							
Materials	0	Basic Resources	1700	Forestry & paper	1730		0
Basic							
Materials	0	Basic Resources	0	Industrial metals	1750		0
Basic							
Materials	0	Basic Resources	0	Mining	1770		0
		Construction &		Construction &			
Industrials	2000	Materials	2300	materials	2350		0
		Industrial Goods					
Industrials	0	& Services	2700	Aerospace & defence	2710		0
		Industrial Goods					
Industrials	0	& Services	0	General industrials	2720		0
						Electrical	
		Industrial Goods		Electronic & Electrical		components &	
Industrials	0	& Services	0	Equipment	2730	equipment	2733
		Industrial Goods		Electronic & Electrical			
Industrials	0	& Services	0	Equipment	0	Electronic equipment	2737
		Industrial Goods				Commercial vehicles	
Industrials	0	& Services	0	Industrial Engineering	2750	& trucks	2753
		Industrial Goods					
Industrials	0	& Services	0	Industrial Engineering	0	Industrial machinery	2757
		Industrial Goods		Industrial			
Industrials	0	& Services	0	transportation	2770		0
		Industrial Goods					
Industrials	0	& Services	0	Support services	2790		0
Consumer	3000	Automobiles &	3300	Automobiles & parts	3350		0

Goods		Parts					
Consumer		Automobiles &					
Goods	0	Parts	0	Beverages	3530		0
Consumer		Automobiles &					
Goods	0	Parts	0	Food producers	3570		0
Consumer		Personal &					
Goods	0	Household Goods	3700	Household goods	3720		0
Consumer		Personal &		-			
Goods	0	Household Goods	0	Leisure goods	3740		0
Consumer		Personal &					
Goods	0	Household Goods	0	Personal goods	3760		0
Consumer		Personal &					
Goods	0	Household Goods	0	Tobacco	3780		0
				Health care equipment			
Health Care	4000	Health Care	4500	& services	4530		0
				Pharmaceuticals &			
Health Care	0	Health Care	0	Biotechnology	4570	Biotechnology	4573
				Pharmaceuticals &			
Health Care	0	Health Care	0	Biotechnology	0	Pharmaceuticals	4577
Consumer							
Services	5000	Retail	5300	Food & drug retailers	5330		0
Consumer				0			
Services	0	Retail	0	General retailers	5370		0
Consumer							
Services	0	Media	5500	Media	5550		0
Consumer							
Services	0	Travel & Leisure	5700	Travel & leisure	5750		0
Telecommu		Telecommunicati		Fixed line			
nications	6000	ons	6500	telecommunications	6530		0
Telecommu		Telecommunicati		Mobile			
nications	0	ons	0	telecommunications	6570		0
Utilities	7000	Utilities	7500	Flectricity	7530		0
O tilles	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	o till tes	7500	Gas water &	7550		Ŭ
Utilities	0	Utilities	0	multiutilities	7570		0
Financiala	0000	Damka	0200	Donka	0250		0
Financials	8000	Banks	8300	Banks	8350		0
Financials	0	Insurance	8500	Nonlife insurance	8530		0
Financials	0	Insurance	0	Life insurance	8570		0
				Real Estate Investment			
Financials	0	Real Estate	8600	& Services	8630		0
				Real Estate Investment			
Financials	0	Real Estate	0	Trusts	8670		0
				Real Estate Investment			
Financials	0	Real Estate	0	Trusts	8670		0
Financials	0	Financial Services	8700	Financial Services	8770		0
	-			Equity Investment			_
Financials	0	Financial Services	0	Instruments	8980		0
				Nonequity Investment			
Financials	0	Financial Services	0	Instruments	8990		0
				Software & Computer			
Technology	9000	Technology	9500	Services	9530	Computer services	9533
		01		Software & Computer		I	
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	Internet	9535
		01		Software & Computer	5		
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	Software	9537
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				Software & Computer			
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	Computer hardware	9572
				Software & Computer		Electronic office	
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	equipment	9574
				Software & Computer			
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	Semiconductors	9576
				Software & Computer		Telecommunications	
Technology	0	Technology	0	Services	0	equipment	9578

4.3 Description of the Entity Relationship Model of *CIB* (if applicable)

• Definition of single tables

Here are described tables that are specific of the CIB database, i.e. not present in the Patstat Ifris database (those tables being described in the the Patstat Ifris section)

Table orb_guo_corr: this table give information related to the firms. The fields of this table are described in section 2.3

Table firm_tls001_rappln_id: this table links firms (guo_id) with priority patents (appln_id)

• relation between the tables via unique identifiers:

The list of unique identifiers related to patents is shown in the Patstat report. An additional identifier is present in CIB. It identifies the firm (guo_id).

The guo_id is used to relate Table firm_tls001_rappln_id and Table orb_guo_corr.

The database relational model, that connects the CIB and the PATSTAT IFRIS database is shown below. The first block presents the fields specific for the CIB. The second block presents additional fields that have been developed for matching patent data and financial data. Finally, the third diagram connects these 2 blocks with the PATSTAT IFRIS relational model.



New Layer



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Whole relational diagram linking CIB with PATSTAT IFRIS

- 4.4 Interfaces for access and to other infrastructures (if applicable)
 - Technical information on interfaces with other infrastructures (e.g. web interface for data search. etc.)

5 Further planning of the opening of CIB

• Document concrete steps towards opening of the respective dataset

We need to carry out a selection of fields and tables to be opened within RISIS

• Necessary updates and/or technical changes

None

• Changing legal conditions for accessing the dataset or parts of the dataset

None