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Dear 'poxoq for patents' users

A new 'poxoq for patents' version 2 is available for download. The European Patent Office (EPO) made some technical changes which will make older versions of 'poxoq for patents' inoperable as to the end of January 2018. The **installation** of version 2 is therefore **mandatory** and will be performed automatically if not blocked by your administrator (see below for the main changes in version 2).

As we wrote in our last newsletter, OPS does no longer support 'anonymous' access due to regulations of the EPO. The data can still be retrieved free of charge but a 'user authentication' provided by the EPO is henceforth obligatory to use 'poxoq for patents'.

Dear users,

we are always committed to providing the best service and quality. Though, optimal software operation requires continual adaptations, which in the past years, especially due to major EPO changes, became considerable. We therefore decided, ten years after the first 'poxoq for patents' release, to introduce a software license fee in the near future (a communication will follow in due time). This will amongst others allow us to intensify our efforts in implementing requested (but not only) functional improvements and extensions.

Main changes in version 2:

-   Automatic update download and install functions within the application can be disabled by an administrator for easier software distribution.
-   A new EPO/OPS authentication / credential dialog has been created, where the personal keys can be set. The EPO/OPS authentication settings can be pre-set by your administrator. In this case, any existing user settings related to EPO/OPS authentication are ignored and cannot be modified by the user anymore.
-   As long as no authentication keys / credentials (personal or provided by your administrator) are set, 'poxoq for patents' functions with its own credentials, making e.g. possible to evaluate the software without having to apply for credentials at the EPO. These evaluation credentials, however, only allow a limited download of 10 pages per PDF document.
-   .NET framework 4.5 is required, which is probably already installed on your computer.

Please refer to the last newsletter or to the 'poxoq for patents' user manual for details about getting the authentication keys from the EPO and administrator settings.

Kind regards

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