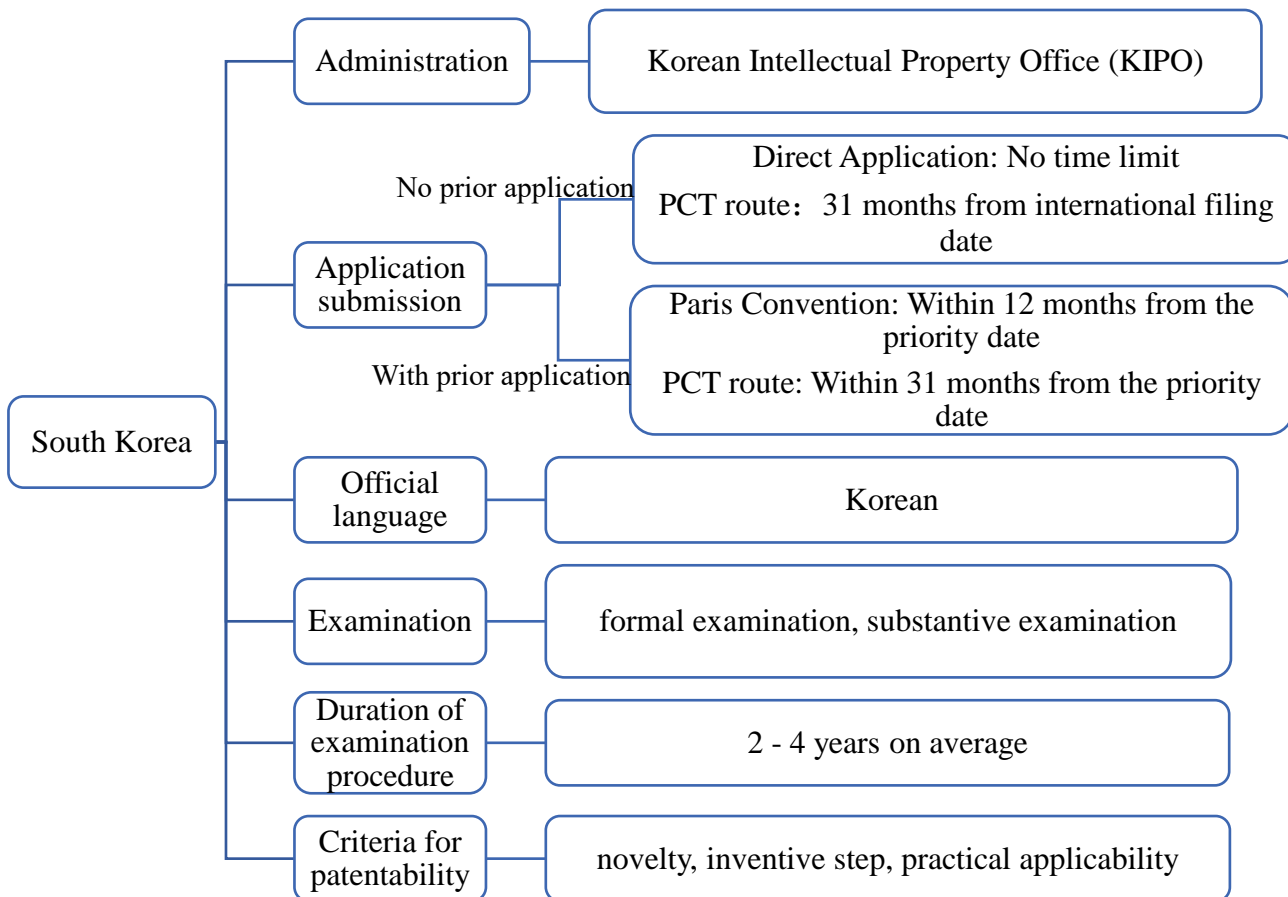
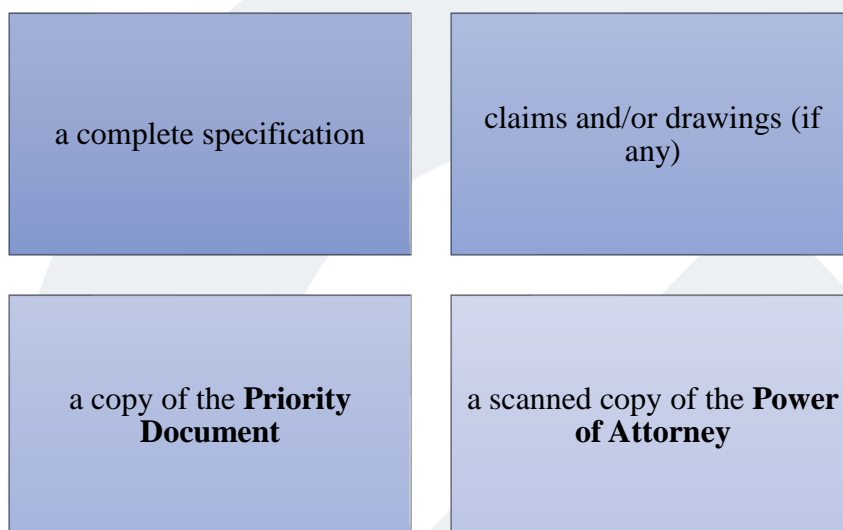


Guidance on Patent Application for Invention in South Korea

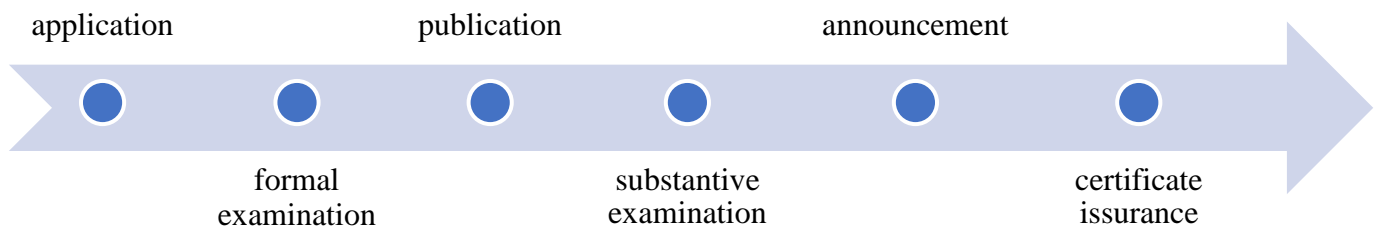
I. Overview



II. Application Documents Requested



III. Application Process



IV. Validity Term

- A patent in South Korea is valid for twenty years from the filing date.
- The annuities for the first three years should be paid simultaneously with the grant fee. The maintenance fees for the fourth and subsequent years must be paid annually before the anniversary of the original grant date.

