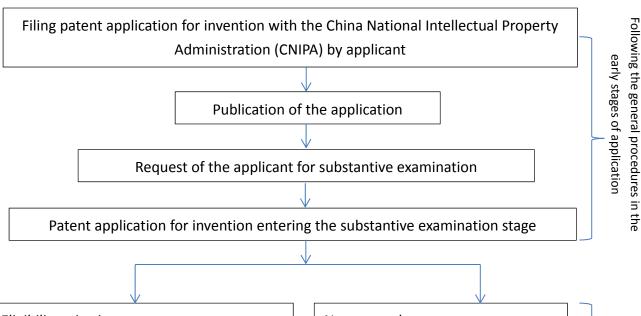
Process Flowchart of Prioritised Examination of Invention Patent Applications Filed by Macao SAR Applicants in the Mainland



Eligibility criteria:

- Meet the subject qualification of Macao SAR applicants;
- 2. With the consent of all applicants;
- 3. The patent application is filed via electronic application system;
- 4. The invention belongs to the technical fields of "Administrative Measures for **Prioritising** of Examination Patent" (Decree No. 76 of the CNIPA), while the application classification number falls within the scope of the "Correspondence Table between Classification of Strategic Emerging Industries and International Patent Classification (2021)(for trial implementation)".

Necessary documents:

- "Request for Prioritised Examination of Patent";
- Identification documents for subject qualification;
- 3. Information on prior art;
- 4. Supporting documents;
- 5. Power of Attorney.

Preparation phase of request for prioritised examination

Filing request for prioritised examination of patent application with CNIPA Patent Agency in Guangzhou or CNIPA Patent Agency in Shenzhen

Comply with the requirements

Guangdong Intellectual Property Administration or Shenzhen Intellectual Property Administration proceeds with the recommendation and reports the result to the CNIPA

The CNIPA approves the request for prioritised examination

Yes

Under any of the following circumstances, the CNIPA may terminate the prioritized examination and continue to examine the application under general procedures:

- 1. Applicant submits the text of amendments on his own initiative after the approval of request for prioritised examination;
- 2. Applicant replies the office action after the two-month time limit;
- 3. Applicant submits false instrument;
- 4. During examination, patent application is verified abnormal.

The first office action will be sent within 45 days from the approval date. The applicant should respond to it within 2 months from the date of issuance, and the examination will be completed within 1 year from the approval date