

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RIGHTS CELL

INTRODUCTION

The Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell committed to the development of new knowledge and innovation for the benefit the Society at large was established on 22nd January, 2016. The creative ideas, innovations, and discoveries of its faculty, researchers and technical staff, and the subsequent transfer of those ideas to use through extension services, training and commercial application, are critical components of the mission of *Akemi Business School*.

Akemi Business School aims to conduct innovative research and development to be globally competitive, including a new approach to capture the added value through IPR protection and its subsequent transfer to commercial application through partnerships with industry, government agencies and other appropriate organizations. Furthermore, the faculty and technical staff of *Akemi Business School* must be full partners in this new regime, through incentives for devoting their significant time and effort to IPR protection and technology transfer initiatives.

PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE

- To promote constant awareness about IPR.
- To engage and conduct IPR workshops / seminars.
- To provide guidance and consultancy to the students during their research to pursue their projects in the direction of Patent / IPR
- To encourage faculty members and students to engage in applied innovative research and development of products / process that can be transferred to the benefit of society.
- To enable the transfer of these innovations to application for public benefit and commercial use, through transparent operations
- To provide incentives to the faculty and students to participate in the creation of inventions, IPR protection and commercial licensing activities.

SCOPE OF THE POLICY

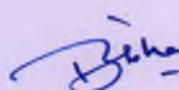
- Ownership of all Inventions made students or technical staff within the scope of their technical expertise and / or assigned duties shall be owned by *Akemi Business School*, and formally assigned to *Akemi Business School* upon filing for statutory protection.
- The term “Inventions” incorporates the following forms of intellectual property: Patents (and accompanying Know-How), and Industrial Designs
- *Akemi Business School* seeks no claim of ownership to copyrightable works developed by faculty members, students and supporting staff of the Institute, unless a copyrightable work is commissioned by the Institute as a “Work for Hire.”
- Ownership of an Invention resulting from a research project sponsored by the private sector at the Institute shall be defined in the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) negotiated to govern such sponsored work.

- Ownership of Intellectual Property developed in the course of research collaboration between Institute and another university or other public organization shall be defined in the Memorandum of Understanding negotiated between the collaborators.
- *Akemi Business School* shall own and control the use of all Trademarks representing the “brand” of *Akemi Business School* in any form or application.
- *Akemi Business School* shall not claim ownership to the invention made by faculty, students and supporting staff beyond the scope of assigned official duties, if the invention has been made without the use of time and funds of the university.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF FACULTY, STUDENTS AND SUPPORTING STAFF

- As per IPR Policy inventors are full partners in the IPR protection and commercialization processes, including but not limited to exercising the following responsibilities:
- Proper documentation of research data and record keeping at departmental level shall be enforced by Head of Institute and Identify to the IPR Cell those applied research developments which may have practical benefit to the society.
- It will be per-requisite for faculty members / students to do IPR search while preparation of projects / synopsis in order to generate quality research products. Before submission / disclosure of results or go for publication, they will also see the patentability aspects of their work. Patent / protection are granted if the information is not in public domain.
- Cooperate with the IPR Cell in documenting Inventions on forms prescribed by funding agencies and made available by the IPR Cell.
- Cooperate with the IPR Cell in drafting the patent applications to be filed with the competent government agencies.
- Cooperate with the IPR Cell in identifying personal and corporate contacts in the private sector that would be candidates for licensing of disclosed Inventions.
- Cooperate with the IPR Cell in completing intellectual property reports to funding agencies.
- Serve as a technical resource to the IPR Cell in the process of negotiating a license agreement for a respective Invention.


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