# Intellectual Property Licensing

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### Overview

- \* licensing in intellectual property law
- \* WIPO work in IP licensing
  - copyright licensing activities
  - IP Asset Management Program
  - licensing guides for small and medium-sized enterprises
  - licensing training
- \* WIPO practices in IP development

### Trademark law

Joint Recommendation Concerning Trademark Licenses (September 25 to October 3, 2000)

- harmonizes and simplifies formal requirements for recordation of licenses
- supplements the TLT



Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks, Regulations Under the Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks (March 27, 2006)

- provides for recordation of licenses

Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks; Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks

recordation of licenses on international register





### Patent law

Patent Law Treaty (PLT) (June 1, 2000)

Regulations under the Patent Law Treaty (January 1, 2006)

- Rule 17 (recordation of licenses)



### Copyright law

#### **Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and**

Artistic Works of September 9, 1886, as completed at Paris on May 4, 1896, revised at Berlin on November 13, 1908, completed at Berne on March 20, 1914, revised at Rome on June 2, 1928, revised at Brussels on June 26, 1948, at Stockholm on July 14, 1967 and at Paris on July 24, 1971 and amended on September 28, 1979

-e.g., general references to exercise of rights (Article 5(2), 11 bis (2))

### TRIPS Agreement

- \* Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights
  - trademarks (Article 21) licensing and assignment
  - patents (Article 28) right to conclude licensing contracts
  - anticompetitive practices in contractual licenses (Section 8)

### IP Licensing at WIPO

- copyright licensing
- \* IP Asset Management Program
- technology transfer & licensing
- licensing training

### Copyright licensing

- \* copyright licensing in the digital environment
  - open source software licensing
  - open access licensing
- collective management of rights
  - administration of copyrights (license, assign, remunerate)
  - where individual rights management not feasible, given number and type of uses, or where rights unenforceable against individual members of the public
- \* rights management tools
  - rights management information, and technological protection measures

## WIPO Guide on the Licensing of Copyright and Related Rights

-legal principles in licensing of copyright works

-licensing of:

literary works
graphic and pictorial works
motion pictures
multimedia products
computer software
collective management of copyright and related
rights
music

Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights – By Mihály Ficsor





### WIPO IP Asset Management Program

- \* Aim: to develop technology management skills such as marketing, licensing and IP valuation
- \* part of national IP and innovation strategies
- professional skill development, particularly in developing countries
- Successful Technology Licensing Program
- \* Exchanging Value Training Manual



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- licensed in the form of intellectual property,
- the subject of formal consulting or training agreements,
- · communicated in the work place or research settings,
- diffused by publication or other means.

WIPO supports its Member States by providing capacity building programs, offering, sustainable training programs and serving as a discussion forum on TOT topics.

#### Successful Technology Licensing

Successful Technology Licensing is a WIPO booklet aimed primarily at businesses, technology managers and scientists who deal with licensing questions in the course of their work. It aims to help its readers to negotiate "win-win" licensing agreements, in which all parties receive and exchange approximately equal benefits and value. Download the booklet here in <a href="English">English</a>, <a href="French">French</a> or <a href="Spanish">Spanish</a> [PDF].

#### Exchanging Value - Negotiating Technology Licensing Agreements: A Training Manual

This 178-page (A5 size) user-friendly training manual focuses on the practical business needs and concerns of

### Successful Technology Licensing

- manual and training program
- \* guide for scientists, technology managers, lawyers, financial experts and businesses



- objectives: introduce licensing as a means for technology transfer and diffusion of knowledge
- \* explain fundamentals of licensing, and use in business
- \* key terms of licensing, mechanics of negotiation and guidelines for drafting
- \* practical training on conduct of negotiation and drafting
- \* IP valuation
- advanced customized courses
  - technical standards
  - country and region-specific (training courses and distance learning)
  - sector specific (energy, biotechnology, nuclear research (IAEA))
- \* translated into 10 languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic, Chinese, Romanian, Portuguese, Vietnamese, Serbian)

### Exchanging Value

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- training manual for negotiating technology licensing agreements
  - developed with the International Trade Centre
- overview of licensing agreement
  - covers extent of rights, commercial and financial considerations, general considerations (warrantees, licensee/licensor obligations, waiver, force majeure, anticompetitive practices, government regulations, disputes, etc)
- guidance on valuing technology
- \* business, legal and financial aspects of negotiation
- training module

# Licensing for small & medium-sized enterprises

Secrets of Intellectual Property: A Guide for Small and Medium-sized Exporters – Published by the International Trade Centre (ITC) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)



Making a Mark: An Introduction to

Trademarks for Small and Medium-sized
Enterprises

Looking Good: An Introduction to Industrial Designs for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises

Inventing the Future: An Introduction to Patents for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises

Creative Expression: An Introduction to Copyright for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises

A Stitch in Time: Smart Use of Intellectual Property by Textile Companies

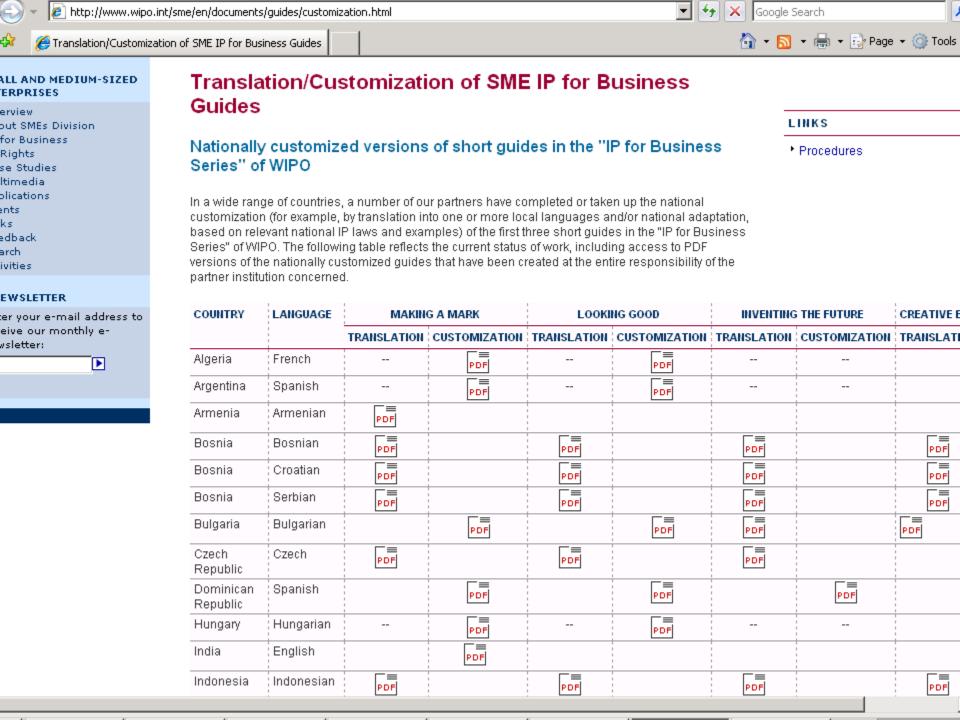












### Past and future publications

**IP Assets Development and Management: a Key Strategy for Economic Growth** 

Technology Transfer, Intellectual Property and Effective University-Industry Partnerships





WIPO Guide on Licensing of Biotechnology

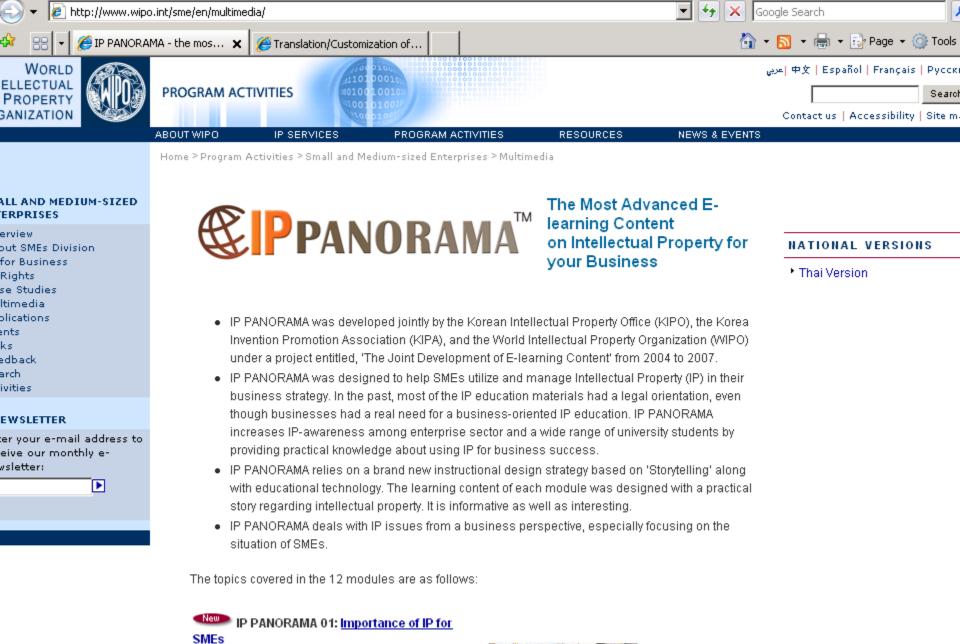
**WIPO Guide on Licensing of Integrated Circuits** 

WIPO Licensing Guide for Developing Countries

- proposed Trademarks Licensing Guide (with LESI)

### Licensing training

- WIPO Academy
- Successful Technology Licensing Program
  - India, Zimbabwe (regional), Cameroon (regional),
     Colombia, South Korea, Serbia and Montenegro
     (regional), Serbia, Indonesia, Brazil, Senegal, Malaysia,
     Singapore, Vietnam, Tunisia, Ghana, Rwanda, Jamiaca
     (regional), Turkey, Saudi Arabia, Mauritius, Cuba,
     Mexico, LESI Headquarters, WIPO Headquarters
- \* Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Division
  - Exchanging Value: Train the trainers
  - IP Panorama

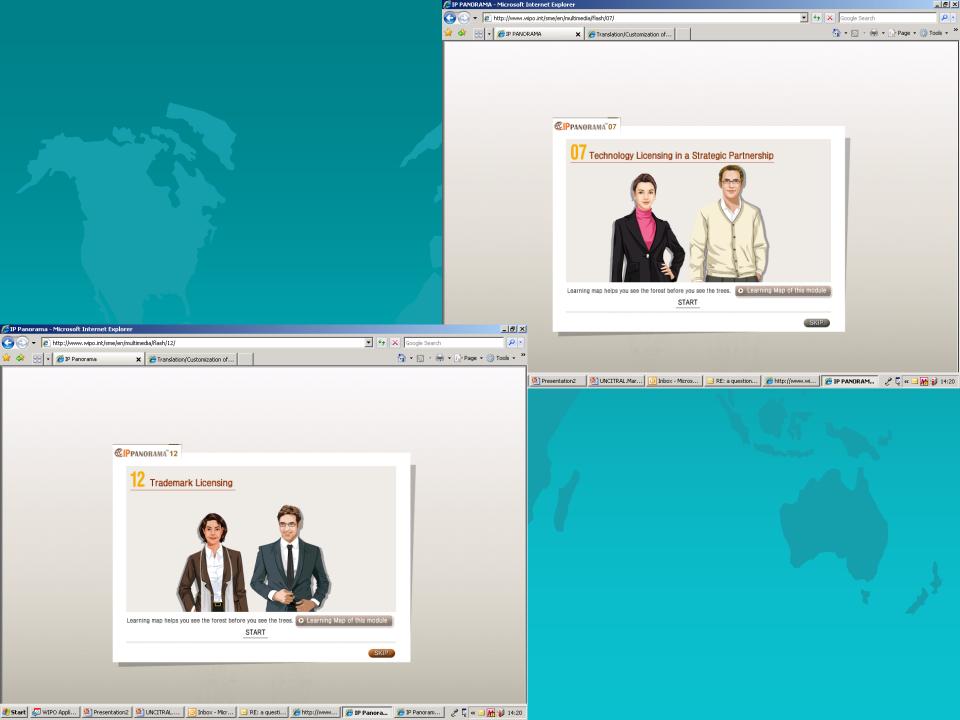


IP is all around us

Why is IP relevant to your SME?

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### WIPO practices

- \* Hard to soft laws
  - treaties
  - model laws
  - model provisions
  - joint recommendations
  - best practices
  - guides, publications, information papers

## Thank you

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