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Foreword by the Director General

Around the world, an astonishing 45 IP applications are filed each minute. Behind this wealth of ideas are inventors and creators with flashes of inspiration, entrepreneurs envisioning the next big thing, designers harmonizing function and form, and researchers pushing the boundaries of human knowledge. But to fully realize the potential of an idea, IP knowledge and skills must be made available to more.

For over 25 years, the WIPO Academy has made it its mission to equip people around the world with IP knowledge and skills. As the world's foremost provider of IP education, training and capacity-building, we are proud to have reached more than 1.3 million participants – over 50% of whom are women and 75% youth. An overwhelming majority of our students, some 96%, are from developing countries, least-developed countries and economies in transition.

Our guiding principle is simple: while legal and theoretical approaches to IP have their place for those seeking to build IP careers, we also need to provide practical IP skills to those seeking to bring an idea to the market. And with 70% of IP filings now coming from Africa, Asia and Latin America, our efforts must be truly global.

That is why 2025 will see us offer more than 50 courses through the Academy's IP eLearning Program in over 20 languages. This includes new courses in areas like IP and Tourism, IP and the Blue Economy, IP Audit and IP Enforcement. The IP eLearning Program also offers its new "IP EdTech" service, which bridges the gap in access to digital education tools on IP.

Other highlights include 23 WIPO Summer Schools hosted worldwide and new Joint Master's Degree Programs offered in different languages in Kazakhstan, Morocco and Saudi Arabia. In addition, an expanded suite of Executive Training Programs will be organized in collaboration with key partners such as the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore International, Kenya National Innovation Agency and the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies in Strasbourg, all with the aim of reaching more professionals on the ground, including from the private sector.

So whether you are new to IP, a layperson seeking to acquire practical IP skills, or an IP professional wanting to deepen your expertise, explore our portfolio and see what the WIPO Academy can do for you.

Daren Tang
Director General

Preface

In 2025, the WIPO Academy will continue implementing its primary mandate to facilitate global access to intellectual property (IP) capacity-building, particularly in developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition, with a focus on skills development and IP commercialization.

The 2025 edition of the *WIPO Academy Portfolio: Education, Training and Skills Development Programs* offers a wide range of courses covering fundamental and multidisciplinary aspects of IP in a variety of formats and languages. Courses range from basic and advanced online and hybrid courses to specialized executive training and higher education through joint master's degree programs in IP with renowned universities. Course curricula have been reviewed to increase the focus on IP practical skills, including in areas such as IP commercialization and management. The portfolio also includes dedicated courses addressed to entrepreneurs, exporters, researchers, inventors and IP managers, designed to provide them with the technical knowledge and skills needed to use the IP system to support business growth and job creation.

The courses are delivered in close cooperation with partner institutions and external, independent academic expertise. The Academy has a strong reputation based on the diversity of its course offerings, quality of instruction, credibility as a neutral and impartial source of knowledge, and extensive international network of respected partner institutions.

The highlights and new developments in courses offered by the Academy in 2025 are summarized as follows:

- In 2025, more than 50 online and hybrid courses and training programs will be offered by the WIPO Academy IP eLearning Program in more than 20 languages, including the six United Nations languages and Portuguese. The IP eLearning Program will continue expanding its offerings to new target audiences, integrating an IP training program for diplomats and trade officials, and private stakeholders. The new courses (IP and tourism, IP and sports, IP enforcement and IP audit) reflect a growing emphasis on the use of IP as a tool of business strategy, especially for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).
- The IP eLearning Program mobilizes a dedicated state-of-the-art IT platform and a network of more than 400 tutors from all over the world to deliver these online and blended learning courses.
- The reach, accessibility and affordability of the WIPO Academy's IP eLearning Program makes it unique as an IP training resource globally. Courses are available to support skills-based training for government officials and, more broadly, national IP skills-building programs working in close cooperation with local partners, including IP offices, universities, national IP training institutions and business support institutions.
- In addition to the regular courses listed in the portfolio, the IP eLearning Program is developing skills-based assessment and certification services and providing an overarching framework for Member States developing their own national IP certification processes. It will also continue to encourage the customization and use of WIPO online/hybrid courses by national IP training centers.
- The IP eLearning Program will also offer its newly launched on-demand IP EdTech Service for developing tailored digital offline and online IP education and training solutions for national institutions and universities in Member States.

- The Academy continues to support diplomats and trade officials through the IP Training Program for Diplomats and Trade Officials, which is offered in cooperation with national diplomatic academies and institutes. The program will help diplomats and trade officials gain a deeper understanding of IP fundamentals, the importance of IP for development and economic growth, and the relevance of IP for key global issues.
- In 2025, the Academy will continue to provide access to IP higher education for developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition by establishing new cooperation agreements and allocating resources to help existing partner universities increase access to IP higher education. The focus in 2025 will be to continue expanding the practical skills-building element of these programs through increased in-person training in partner institutions, internships, work placements and research assignments applying IP knowledge to everyday challenges.
- Four new master's degree programs in IP will be offered in 2025, with enhanced offerings for specializations in more regions and languages.
- WIPO Summer Schools will continue to be organized in 2025, in cooperation with partners from across the globe. Building on the experiences of the last couple of years, a mix of online, in-person and hybrid programs will be offered. The content of these courses has been modified to increase interactive sessions and place greater emphasis on practical IP skills-building.
- A new series of focused and blended learning executive programs will also be offered in 2025. These aim to provide participants, including those from the private sector, with practical IP skills using a series of case studies, simulation exercises and group work in areas such as IP commercialization, intangible asset management, licensing and branding, building further on the offerings of the IP eLearning Program.
- The Academy will cooperate closely with Intellectual Property Training Institutions (IPTIs) in their efforts to develop tailored skills development courses and services for SMEs from diverse creative and innovative sectors, helping them gain the knowledge needed to effectively leverage the IP system. Additionally, the IPTIs Program now provides the public with access to a free course that was produced based on the insights and knowledge gained during the process of setting up new institutions.

This portfolio serves as a catalog of all the training opportunities offered by the WIPO Academy in 2025 and outlines the content of each course. It gives information to potential participants on eligibility criteria, application formalities, timelines, selection procedures, travel and other necessary information.

Important

As the WIPO Academy's training activities are subject to change during the year, please visit the website at <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy> for up-to-date information.

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IP eLEARNING PROGRAM

General Information on the IP eLearning Program

1. Objectives

By harnessing digital technology to facilitate the delivery of academic training programs in virtual and hybrid formats, the WIPO Academy's IP eLearning Program aims to increase the accessibility of intellectual property (IP) knowledge on a global scale, making it available to all, irrespective of geographic location, socioeconomic background, industry sector or language group.

2. Background

In 1999, the WIPO Academy adopted eLearning as an innovative teaching and training approach, investing in the potential of the Internet to expand our educational mandate. Since its launch, more than one million people worldwide have taken one or more WIPO online and hybrid courses.

3. Field and scope of training

The WIPO Academy incorporates teaching methodologies and pedagogy that complement the eLearning process, namely Bloom's Taxonomy. This is a learning technique rooted in cognitive behavioral psychology through which people learn by "remembering, understanding, applying, analyzing, evaluating and creating". The instructional design of the course content is based on that of the United Kingdom's Open University, where "you teach, you ask, you assess and you evaluate" the learner's ability to apply and perform tasks at different intervals. The combined use of these two systems facilitates the effective transfer of information and knowledge between teachers and learners in the virtual environment.

The WIPO Academy networks with other institutions involved in IP teaching through the IP eLearning Program to combine substantive knowledge and pedagogical expertise in course design and development. Partnerships with IP offices, universities, international organizations and institutions around the world engaged in the area of IP enable the Academy to identify core groups of experts to serve as authors and develop the content of our courses with national and regional teaching materials.

Our IP eLearning curriculum includes self-paced general courses, tutor-led advanced courses and blended-learning courses (combining online education and in-person training) covering all aspects of IP. The Academy's IP eLearning courses are hosted on a dedicated online portal called the WIPO eLearning Center, which features online discussion forums, electronic mail and live online lectures that enable free-flowing interaction among learners and teachers during the courses.

The WIPO Academy is the world's only institution to regularly offer an abundant portfolio of IP courses online in more than seven languages, as well as follow-up learner support. A unique feature of the IP eLearning Program is its focus on language diversity and online academic and administrative support.

In its continuous endeavor to expand high-quality IP education resources for all, the WIPO Academy has launched IP EdTech, a new on-demand service for developing tailored digital offline and online IP education and training solutions for national institutions and universities in WIPO Member States. IP EdTech is dedicated to bridging the gap in access to digital education tools on IP and is now open to requests from national IP offices and IP education providers.

The Primer on IP (DL-001), the General Course on IP (DL-101) and most of the advanced courses are now available in the six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in Portuguese, with translation into other languages underway. In 2025, the IP eLearning Program will continue to offer certification, and blended, executive and leadership courses combining eLearning and in-person coaching opportunities to participants in small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and innovation-led sectors.

The self-paced general courses include:

- Primer on Intellectual Property (DL-001)
- General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101), also available in an accessible format for the visually impaired or otherwise print disabled
- Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (DL-101-PCT)
- Specialized Course on the Essentials of Patents (DL-170)
- Tutorial on Using Patent Information (DL-177)
- WIPO Accessible Books Consortium (ABC) Online Course on Accessible Book Production
- IP Panorama 2.0 (DL-IP PANORAMA)

The tutor-led advanced courses include:

- Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201)
- Advanced Course on Intellectual Property, Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions (DL-203)
- Introduction to the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection (DL-205-UPOV)
- Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301)
- Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302)
- Specialized Course on the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks (DL-303)
- Specialized Course on the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs (DL-304)
- Advanced Course on Examination of Applications for Plant Breeders' Rights (DL-305-UPOV)
- Advanced Course on Arbitration and Mediation Procedure under the WIPO Rules (DL-317)
- Advanced Course on Patent Information Search (DL-318)
- Advanced Course on the Basics of Patent Drafting (DL-320)
- Advanced Course on Intellectual Property Management (DL-450)
- Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Legal Practitioners (DL-501)
- Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Rights Holders (DL-502)
- Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Collective Management Organizations (DL-503)
- Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Policymakers (DL-506)
- Advanced Course on Software Licensing, including Open Source (DL-511)

The tutor-led executive/specialized courses include:

- Executive Course on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources in the Life Sciences (DL-427)
- WIPO Connect Training (DL-550)
- Specialized Course on Developing Successful WIPO Development Agenda Projects (DL-620)

IP eLearning collaboration courses include:

- WHO-WIPO-WTO Executive Course on Promoting Access to Medical Technologies and Innovation (DL-701)
- Patent X – Certificate Course on Patent Law and Global Public Health

The certification and blended learning courses, comprising a combination of online education and in-person training, include:

- Advanced International Certificate Course on IP Asset Management (AICC)
- IP Impact Certificate Course – Certification for IP Teaching at the Primary and Secondary School Levels (IPCC)
- WIPO International Patent Drafting Training Program (IPDTP)
- WIPO Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) Staff Certification Program:
 - Foundation Certificate
 - Specialization Certificate on “Patentability Search”

The IP eLearning Program has increased its focus on serving underrepresented stakeholders of the IP ecosystem. A list of the targeted trainings are as follows:

- Leadership Course on Intellectual Property, Science and Innovation for Women Scientists and Innovators
- General Course on Intellectual Property for Judges (DL-JTIP)
- Intellectual Property Training Program for Diplomats and Trade Officials (IPDTO)
- Executive Course on Intellectual Property and Exports (DL-730)
- Intellectual Capital Management Training Program (ICMTP) for MSMEs and Entrepreneurs

Training may also be provided on request through on-demand services that include:

- Customization and Translation of IP eLearning Courses
- IP EdTech
- Intellectual Property Trainings for Youth Service (IP4Youth)
- Intellectual Property Ambassadors Program
- Intellectual Property for Teachers and Policymakers Program (IP4Teachers)
- WIPO Academy Master Class

New pilot courses include:

- Specialized Course on Intellectual Property Enforcement
- eLearning Tutorial on Patent Analytics
- Specialized Course on Intellectual Property and Tourism
- General Course on Intellectual Property and Sports Entrepreneurship
- Primer on Biotechnology Tech-Transfer
- Specialized Course on Intellectual Property in the Blue Economy
- Specialized Course on IP Audit
- Specialized Course on Intellectual Property Finance and Valuation
- General Course on Mastering PATENTSCOPE – the Global Patent Database
- Intellectual Property Road Map for Entrepreneurs

4. Teaching

The specialized and advanced level courses are supported by in-house tutors and some 400 external practitioners with expertise in the field of IP.

5. Course syllabi

Each course is divided into modules and assigned a list of learning outcomes detailing the competencies participants should aim to achieve on completion. Self-assessment tools are strategically placed within each module to help learners gauge their levels of knowledge and progress, and their ability to apply concepts and facts presented throughout the course.

6. Dynamic teaching on current IP issues and learner needs

Courses are adapted to learners' dynamic needs and include cases, landmark decisions and treaties in the relevant field.

7. Target audience

The WIPO Academy's IP eLearning courses are available to a variety of end users, including professionals in the field, creators and people having a general interest in IP. In particular, IP office employees, lawyers, patent agents, engineers, artists, performers, economists, journalists, entrepreneurs, business owners and university students can benefit from the Academy's tailor-made courses, addressing both general and specific IP issues.

In line with WIPO's commitment to accessibility, the Academy has introduced Accessible Intellectual Property Training (AIPT) courses within the IP eLearning Program for individuals with visual impairment or other print disabilities. The General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and the WIPO Accessible Books Consortium (ABC) Online Course on Accessible Book Production are available in an accessible format in all the United Nations languages (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in Portuguese. Other advanced courses will gradually become available in accessible format.

8. Partner institutions

In response to increasing demand for IP knowledge from SMEs and business communities in developing and least developed countries, the IP eLearning Program continually seeks new international and national partners to develop training and capacity-building opportunities for critical users and service providers of the IP system. Such partnerships include:

- A partnership with the National Institution for Transforming India (Government of India) to design and implement national, regional and interregional IP capacity-building programs in India and other countries.
- A long-standing and sustained partnership with the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Korea Invention and Promotion Association (KIPA) to develop and offer annually the Advanced International Certificate Course on Intellectual Property Asset Management (AICC) and the Leadership Course on Intellectual Property, Science and Innovation for Women Scientists and Innovators.
- Formal agreements between WIPO and the national diplomatic institutions of 11 Member States to offer tailor-made and sustainable training on IP to their diplomatic corps as part of WIPO Academy's Specialized IP Training Program for Diplomats and Trade Officials.
- The Chinese versions of IP eLearning courses, which have been offered from within China since 2017 in cooperation with the China Intellectual Property Training Center (CIPTC). Similarly, a 2017 agreement with the National Institute of Industrial Property of Brazil (INPI-Brazil) has served as another excellent model for transferring the management and administration of the Academy's courses to national stakeholders for delivery in the local language.
- Continued collaboration with other international organizations, including: the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the World Health Organization (WHO), in offering an Executive Course on Promoting Access to Medical Technologies and Innovation (DL-701); UNESCO through the Leadership Course on Intellectual Property, Science and Innovation for Women Scientists; and UNCTAD through their eTrade for Women initiative.

9. Registration

Those interested in WIPO Academy's eLearning offerings should visit the Training Catalog on the WIPO eLearning Center for the list of available courses. The registration process is facilitated by the Academy Registration and Payment Interface (ARPI), an electronic system that enables prospective students to enroll in courses and monitor the status of their applications.

10. Evaluation

The student evaluation process for the IP eLearning Program is designed to test student ability to apply facts and concepts taught throughout the course. It includes a single final examination (written essay and/or multiple-choice questions), administered to participants through the WIPO Academy's online learning management system (LMS) called the WIPO eLearning Center.

Students are permitted to complete the final examination across a range of time frames, from two hours to 10 days, depending on the course, and upload their answers through the LMS for grading by their assigned tutors.

11. Tuition fees

All self-paced general courses are offered free of charge to all course registrants.

Registration fees for tutored advanced and executive courses are determined by country of nationality, as follows:

Students

Developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition	USD 40
Industrialized countries	USD 200

Professionals

Developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition	USD 60
Industrialized countries	USD 320

Academics

Developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition	USD 40
Industrialized countries	USD 200

Government officials (including IP offices)

Developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition	Eligible for course scholarship
Industrialized countries	See fee criteria for professionals

For an up-to-date list of the developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition whose nationals are eligible for reduced fees, see the WIPO Academy website at <https://www.wipo.int/web/wipo-academy/programs/ip-elearning/country-list>.

Certification and blended learning courses may be fee-based, with a limited number of scholarships or awards of financial assistance on offer.

Self-paced General IP eLearning Courses

1. The Primer on Intellectual Property (DL-001)

Description	<p>This primer provides participants with knowledge of the fundamental aspects of intellectual property (IP): copyright and related rights, trademarks, patents, geographical indications and industrial designs. It introduces contemporary issues impacting the IP field, such as new plant varieties, unfair competition, enforcement of IP rights and emerging IP issues.</p> <p>Self-evaluation tools are strategically incorporated throughout each of the 12 modules to help participants gauge their level of knowledge and test their ability to apply concepts and key facts taught during the course.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes 12 modules designed to help participants gradually build their knowledge of general IP concepts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Introduction to IP- Module 2: Overview of IP- Module 3: Copyright- Module 4: Related rights- Module 5: Trademarks- Module 6: Geographical indications- Module 7: Industrial designs- Module 8: Patents- Module 9: New plant varieties- Module 10: Unfair competition- Module 11: Enforcement of IP rights- Module 12: Emerging issues in IP – IP and development
Final exam	<p>There is no final examination for the course. Each module has a self-assessed set of questions encouraging the learner to enroll in the next level course, the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101).</p>
Duration	<p>Participants can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that the course material can be reviewed in three hours.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course targets individuals seeking a general overview of the fundamentals of IP.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int/.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>The course is currently offered in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in Portuguese. Other language versions, such as Albanian and Uzbek, are offered by the relevant national IP office.</p>
National customized version(s)*	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Albania: a customized version of the DL-001 is offered in collaboration with the General Directorate of Industrial Property in Albanian at https://dppi.gov.al/.- China: a Chinese version of the DL-001 is offered with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0.- Uzbekistan: a customized version of the DL-001 is offered with the Intellectual Property Agency under the Ministry of Justice in Uzbek at https://my.ima.uz/study-v1/main/index.
Tuition fees	<p>The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.</p>

* Select WIPO Academy courses have been customized at the request of Member States and are available in their national language. These courses are designed to reflect the Member State's legislation and examples.

2. General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) V2.0

This course is available in an accessible format for the visually impaired or otherwise print-disabled community.

Description	<p>This course builds on the concepts presented in the Primer on Intellectual Property (DL-001). It provides participants with a more in-depth overview of the fundamentals of intellectual property (IP) law and is indispensable for the more advanced courses of study on specific areas of IP law.</p> <p>The instructional interface for DL-101 has been revamped to strengthen its competitive advantage and elevate the learning experience by fusing technology and education. The revised version (DL-101, V2.0) is available in English with other United Nations language versions to be similarly revamped in the future.</p> <p>Self-assessment tools are strategically placed throughout each module to help participants gauge their level of knowledge, progress and ability to apply the concepts and facts presented in the course.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes 13 modules followed by a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP - Module 2: Copyright - Module 3: Related rights - Module 4: Trademarks - Module 5: Geographical indications - Module 6: Industrial designs - Module 7: Patents - Module 8: Unfair competition - Module 9: WIPO treaties - Module 10: Protection of new varieties of plants - Module 11: Introduction to traditional knowledge, traditional cultural expressions and genetic resources - Module 12: IP and development – WIPO Development Agenda - Module 13: Summary and discussion on IP rights - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided throughout the course, with learners able to pose substantive questions to tutors online.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, experienced tutors and IP experts discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be launched on topics in which participants show a high level of interest and engagement.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>The course is taught over a period of six weeks. It is estimated that the course material requires 55 hours of study time during that period.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is designed for people who are or will be employed in the field of administration of intellectual property rights (IPRs) but is also relevant for IP creators seeking a deeper understanding of effective IPR management and protection or anyone seeking general knowledge of IP.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on the registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>

Language of instruction	<p>The course is offered in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in Portuguese. Other language versions, such as Albanian, Bulgarian, Cambodian, Croatian, Georgian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Slovakian, Thai, Turkish and Vietnamese, are offered by the relevant national IP offices.</p> <p>DL-101 is also offered in an accessible format for the visually impaired or otherwise print disabled in the six official languages of the United Nations and in Portuguese.</p>
Nationally customized version(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Albania: offered in collaboration with the General Directorate of Industrial Property, in Albanian, at https://dppi.gov.al/. - Andean Community: offered in collaboration with Secretaria General de la Comunidad Andina, in Spanish, at https://www.comunidadandina.org/. - Brazil: offered in Portuguese in collaboration with the National Institute of Industrial Property at https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/a-academia/cursos-de-extensao/ensino-a-distancia. - Bulgaria: offered in collaboration with the University of National and World Economy, in Bulgarian. - Cambodia: offered in collaboration with the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce, Kingdom of Cambodia, in Khmer. - China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0. - Colombia: offered in collaboration with Superintendencia de Industria y Comercio, in Spanish, at https://campusvirtual.sic.gov.co/webWordp/?project=cpi02. - Croatia: offered in collaboration with the State Intellectual Property Office of Croatia, in Croatian, at https://www.dziv.hr/hr/edukacija/dl-101-hr/. - Cuba: offered in Spanish in collaboration with the Cuban Industrial Property Office at http://cursos.ocpi.cu/. - Egypt: offered in collaboration with the Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, in Arabic, at http://www.asrt.sci.eg/. - Georgia: offered in collaboration with the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia, in Georgian, at https://www.sakpatenti.gov.ge/ka/page/181/. - Latvia: offered in collaboration with the Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia, in Latvian, at https://www.lrv.gov.lv. - Lithuania: offered in collaboration with the State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania, in Lithuanian, at www.vpb.lrv.lt. - Mexico: offered in Spanish in collaboration with the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property at https://welc.wipo.int/acc/index.jsf?page=courseCatalog.xhtml&lang=es&cc=DL101S#plus_DL101So. - Oman: offered in collaboration with the National Intellectual Property Office, Ministry of Commerce Industry and Investment Promotion at https://tejarah.gov.om/. - Romania: offered in collaboration with the Romanian Copyright Office, in Romanian, at https://orda.ro/educatie-si-pi/materiale-educationale-ompi/. - Russian Federation: offered in Russian, at https://welc.wipo.int/acc/index.jsf?page=courseCatalog.xhtml&lang=ru&cc=DL101RU#plus_DL101RU. - Saudi Arabia: offered in collaboration with the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property, in Arabic, at https://www.saip.gov.sa/en/academy/. - Slovakia: offered in collaboration with the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic, in Slovak, at https://indprop.gov.sk/. - Thailand: offered in collaboration with the Department of Intellectual Property, Ministry of Commerce of Thailand, in Thai, at https://elearning.ipthailand.go.th/lms/?lang=en. - Tunisia: offered in collaboration with the National Institute for Standardization and Industrial Property, in Arabic, at https://www.innorpi.tn/. - Viet Nam: offered in collaboration with National Office of Intellectual Property of Viet Nam, in Vietnamese, at https://e-learning.ipvietnam.gov.vn/home.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

3. A General Primer: Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (DL-101-PCT)

Description	This specialized foundation course on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) has been developed by WIPO experts. It provides participants with an introduction and general overview of the PCT, the system that facilitates the international registration of patents, and is designed for self-paced learning. Self-assessment tools are strategically placed throughout each module to help participants gauge their levels of knowledge and progress, and their ability to apply the concepts and facts presented in the course.
Content and structure	The course includes 14 modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: What is the PCT? - Module 2: Why use the PCT? - Module 3: Preparing a PCT application - Module 4: Filing a PCT application - Module 5: PCT electronic services - Module 6: Patent agents and common representatives - Module 7: International search report and written opinion of the ISA - Module 8: International publication - Module 9: International preliminary examination - Module 10: Entry into the national phase - Module 11: Special international phase procedures - Module 12: Procedures for inventions in the field of biotechnology - Module 13: Access by third parties to a PCT application file - Module 14: PCT outlook
Final exam	The course includes formal questions to measure the achievement of learning outcomes, but there is no final examination.
Certificate	An electronic certificate may be generated on successful completion of the course questions.
Duration	Participants can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that the course material requires three hours of study time.
Target audience	The course is open to any individual wishing to obtain a general understanding of the PCT system.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	The course is offered in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in German, Japanese, Korean and Portuguese.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

4. Specialized Course on the Essentials of Patents (DL-170)

Description	This specialized course briefly describes the principles and economic impact of patents and the international patenting process, including the importance of patents in the effective transfer and development of technology. It is a preparatory course designed to precede practical training in patent protection.
Content and structure	The course features a final set of questions and an audiovisual presentation summary and covers the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to patent law - Core principles of the international patent system - Patentability – formal requirements (patent application) - Patentability – substantive requirements - The different layers of patent protection (national, regional and international options) - Ways to protect innovation - Granting of patents and enforcement rules - Patent flexibilities and development goals - New issues, important cases and discussions in patent law
Teaching and final exam	The course is offered for self-directed study and includes formal tests allowing participants to gauge their knowledge and understanding at various stages.
Certificate	An electronic certificate may be generated on successful completion of the final set of questions.
Duration	Participants can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that the course material requires 10 to 12 hours of study time.
Target audience	The course is designed for those who plan to take more advanced training on patents. It may also be of interest to busy professionals as a brief review of the essential aspects of patent right protection. It is strongly recommended that prospective participants complete the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) before taking this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

5. e-Tutorial on Using Patent Information (DL-177)

Description	<p>The e-tutorial is an interactive learning tool covering the foundations of patent documentation, patent search strategies, and patent analysis and its numerous uses. It includes scenarios and exercises to allow learners to expand and test their knowledge.</p> <p>It is recommended that participants complete this tutorial prior to taking the DL-318 Patent Information Search course.</p>
Content and structure	<p>DL-177 includes the following three modules, each comprised of a number of tutorials and scenarios:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Patent basics - Module 2: Patent search and retrieval - Module 3: Patent analysis
Final exam	There is no final examination for the course.
Certificate	Participants who complete the e-tutorial will be awarded an electronic certificate of completion.
Duration	Participants can work through this material, which requires approximately eight hours of study time, at their own pace.
Target audience	This e-tutorial can be useful for individuals or to support group training for users with competency levels ranging from basic to intermediate, including students and researchers, small and medium-sized business entrepreneurs and policymakers. It will also complement on-site training within the framework of the WIPO Technology and Innovation Support Center (TISC) program.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	Currently offered in English, French, Russian and Spanish. Additional language versions, including Arabic and Chinese, will be available in the future.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

6. Accessible Books Consortium (ABC) Online Course on Accessible Book Production

Description	WIPO's Accessible Books Consortium's (ABC) online capacity-building course is designed for partner organizations serving people in developing or least developed countries who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print disabled. It offers training in the latest techniques for producing books in accessible formats, such as braille, audio, e-text and large print, thus benefiting people with print disabilities around the world.
Content and structure	The course comprises the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Introduction and orientation- Module 2: Marrakesh Treaty and the ABC- Module 3: Types of accessible formats and metadata- Module 4: Accessible format reading tools and distribution methods- Module 5: Making inaccessible text accessible (print to digital)- Module 6: Creating accessible documents- Module 7: Creating accessible EPUB from documents- Module 8: Creating accessible digital audio books- Module 9: Creating braille from digital files- Module 10: Source of support
Final exam	There is no final examination for the course.
Certificate	Participants who complete the course will be awarded an electronic certificate of completion.
Duration	Participants can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that the course material requires eight hours of study time.
Target audience	The course is aimed at staff and officials from organizations engaged in producing educational books in accessible formats and are part of or plan to join WIPO's ABC capacity-building project.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int/atp .
Language of instruction	Arabic, English, French and Spanish.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

7. IP Panorama 2.0 (DL-IP PANORAMA)

Description	<p>The IP Panorama 2.0 provides learners with a foundation in utilizing intellectual property (IP) for entrepreneurship and business. Employing real-world case examples, IP Panorama 2.0 raises awareness of the benefits of using the IP system for business while providing practical guidance and a framework on how to do so. With newly designed, interactive, microlearning content, participants can more easily access and assimilate bite-sized chunks of learning material.</p> <p>Developed by WIPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Korea Invention Promotion Association (KIPA), IP Panorama 2.0 is an updated version of the original IP Panorama released in 2007.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes the following eight modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: The role of IP - Module 2: IP and intellectual property rights (IPRs) as tools in utilization - Module 3: Different forms of IP and IPRs - Module 4: How to ensure your business is e-savvy - Module 5: IP strategy - Module 6: IP audit - Module 7: IP infringement - Module 8: IP utilization
Final exam	There is no final examination for the course.
Certificate	No certificate is provided for the course.
Duration	Participants can work through the course material at a pace that suits them. It is estimated that the course material can be reviewed in 20 hours.
Target audience	<p>The course is open to anyone interested in the use of IP for business, and particularly:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - university seniors studying business administration and entrepreneurship; - young professionals; - entrepreneurs; and - business owners (of small and medium-sized enterprises or larger firms).
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	English with additional language versions planned (Arabic, Chinese, French, Portuguese, Russian and others).
Tuition fees	The course is offered to all registrants on a scholarship basis.

8. Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201)

Description	This advanced course explains the fundamental principles of international copyright and related rights protection, including an overview of the relevant international treaties. It addresses the collective management of rights and deals with issues of copyright and related rights in the digital environment.
Content and structure	The course includes 13 substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Copyright in the context of intellectual property (IP): historical background and international conventions - Module 2: Berne Convention: principles, authorship and the notion of works - Module 3: Berne Convention: content of protection – rights, exceptions and limitations - Module 4: Berne Convention: special types of works and situations - Module 5: The Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS) and the WIPO Copyright Treaty - Module 6: Related rights - Module 7: Sui generis regimes of protection, sui generis rights and unfair competition - Module 8: TRIPS Agreement and enforcement issues - Module 9: Collective management of rights - Module 10: Copyright on the Internet and other technological developments - Module 11: Marrakesh Treaty - Module 12: Expressions of folklore and copyright - Module 13: IP and development – flexibilities in copyright law - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in IP. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select copyright and related rights topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Tutors will discuss landmark cases with participants using the Academy's enhanced learning platform. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit them, via the eLearning platform, to tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 120 hours of study over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	The course is designed for legal practitioners, managers in copyright offices, staff in collective management societies, broadcasting organizations or publishing industries, academics and university students with prior knowledge of IP. It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) before enrolling in this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction(s)	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.

Nationally customized version(s)	China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

9. Advanced Course on Intellectual Property, Traditional Knowledge and Traditional Cultural Expressions (DL-203)

Description	This advanced course presents technical information on the intellectual property (IP) protection of traditional knowledge (TK) and traditional cultural expressions (TCEs), and covers key concepts and international, regional and national experience, policy options and legal mechanisms that are already available or under consideration to provide such protection. It aims to strengthen the capacity and stimulate consideration, share experience and advance understanding of the range of issues and possible options in this area, where legal and policy developments are still evolving at all levels.
Content and structure	The course includes four substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Overview and key concepts- Module 2: Options for the IP protection of TK and TCEs- Module 3: Protecting TK and TCEs with existing and adapted IP rights- Module 4: Protecting TK and TCEs with a sui generis system of protection- Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of IP.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, experienced tutors/IP experts discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	<p>There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 70 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	<p>The course is designed for officials of IP offices, government officials from other departments, policymakers, diplomats, members of indigenous and local communities, employees of non-governmental and intergovernmental organizations, lawyers, academics, researchers, students and individuals who already possess a working knowledge of the IP system. As it covers the relationship between IP, TK and TCEs, participants who are already familiar with the IP system may be best placed to benefit from the content.</p> <p>It is recommended that prospective participants who are not already familiar with the IP system take the Primer on Intellectual Property (DL-001) or the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101), both of which are free, before embarking on this course.</p>
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	The course is offered in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish) and in Portuguese.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

10. Introduction to the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection (DL-205-UPOV)

Description	This advanced course provides a comprehensive description of the main messages, conditions and principles surrounding the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV Convention).
Content and structure	The course comprises 11 modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Nature of plant breeding and the need for plant breeders' rights - Module 2: Subject matter and entitlement to protection - Module 3: Conditions of protection - Module 4: Applying for a plant breeder's right - Module 5: Testing for distinctness, uniformity and stability (DUS) - Module 6: Scope of the plant breeder's right – acts and material covered - Module 7: Scope of the plant breeder's right – varieties within the scope of the right - Module 8: Exceptions and restrictions to the plant breeder's right - Module 9: Nullity and cancellation of the plant breeder's right - Module 10: International Union for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV) - Module 11: Implementation of the Convention and final provisions - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of intellectual property (IP).
Final exam	The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded a certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 36 hours of study time over a period of four weeks.
Target audience	The course is specifically designed for officials and IP personnel within the public or private sectors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public sector: government officials responsible for drafting legislation on plant breeders' rights and for managing offices protecting such rights, organizers of DUS trials and DUS examiners. - Private sector: plant breeders, IP managers and IP agents/attorneys, and students.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at http://www.upov.int/resource/en/training.html .
Language of instruction	The course is offered in Chinese, English, French, German and Spanish.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. Consult the UPOV online course catalog for details and updates at https://www.upov.int/resource/en/training.html .

11. Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301)

Description	This advanced course aims to give participants an in-depth perspective on the principles and economic impact of patents and the patenting process as a whole. It examines the traditional use of patents by centers of knowledge such as universities and other specialized institutions of higher learning, and provides participants with a comprehensive review of the importance of patent pools in facilitating the effective transfer and development of technology.
Content and structure	The course includes eight substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Macroeconomic impact of the patent system - Module 2: The patent application process - Module 3: Different layers of the international patent system (national, regional and international options) - Module 4: Kinds of protections - Module 5: Legal issues - Module 6: Enforcement - Module 7: New issues, important cases and discussions - Module 8: Intellectual property (IP) and development - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of IP. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected patent-related topics towards the end of the course prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, experienced tutors/IP experts discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	The course is designed for individuals who already have a sound knowledge of the fundamentals of IP. It is open to legal practitioners, employees of IP offices, individuals involved in research and development, and university students. Participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP are highly recommended to take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) before enrolling on this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Nationally customized version(s)	- Brazil: offered in Portuguese in collaboration with the National Institute of Industrial Property at https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/a-academia/cursos-de-extensao/ensino-a-distancia . - China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

12. Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302)

Description	This advanced course aims to raise awareness of the complex issues involved in protecting and managing intellectual property (IP) for branding. It is a preparatory course designed to precede practical training in the protection of trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications.
Content and structure	The course includes seven substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Role of trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications in the market - Module 2: Trademarks - Module 3: Geographical indications - Module 4: Industrial designs - Module 5: Protection against unfair competition - Module 6: Making brands and managing IP - Module 7: IP and development – flexibilities and public domain under trademarks - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of IP. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select topics related to patents towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded a certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	Participants should have a general interest in making the best use of IP in marketing and managing the intangible assets of a private company. The course is intended for staff in IP offices and research and development (R&D) institutions, legal practitioners and university students with knowledge of IP. It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) before enrolling in this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Nationally customized version(s)	- Brazil: offered in Portuguese in collaboration with the National Institute of Industrial Property at https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/a-academia/cursos-de-extensao/ensino-a-distancia . - China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

13. Specialized Course on the Madrid System for the International Registration of Marks (DL-303)

Description	<p>The Madrid System is a convenient and cost-effective solution for registering and managing trademarks worldwide. The purpose of this specialized course is to give participants an overview of the Madrid System and explore its benefits, principles and operations.</p> <p>The modules contain knowledge check questions and scenarios to complement learners' understanding of the materials presented and help guide the process.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes the following six modules and a final assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to the Madrid System - Module 2: Accession (to the Madrid System) - Module 3: Office of origin - Module 4: Office of a designated contracting party - Module 5: Communication with WIPO and online tools and services - Module 6: Post-registration management - Final assessment <p>Modules 1, 5 and 6 will also be offered as stand-alone modules for self-paced study, open to all on scholarship basis.</p>
Final assessment	The final assessment consists of a series of multiple-choice questions.
Certificate	An electronic certificate will be generated on successful completion of the final assessment.
Duration	The course requires approximately 15 hours of study time over a period of six weeks.
Target audience	The course is designed for current and future users of the Madrid System (trademark representatives and holders), intellectual property (IP) professionals, students and IP office staff.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	The course is initially being offered in English.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply for the tutor-guided sessions. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

14 Specialized Course on the Hague System for the International Registration of Industrial Designs (DL-304)

Description	<p>This specialized course provides participants with robust knowledge of the fundamentals, benefits and online resources of the Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs, using informative videos and practical demonstrations.</p> <p>The course will enable end users to leverage the Hague System more effectively</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course comprises the following modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 0: Hague System for International Registration of Designs – introduction - Module 1: Overview of the Hague System - Module 2: Guided tour of the Hague System’s online information resources - Module 3: Hague System legal framework - Module 4: Tips on filing international applications - Module 5: Management of an international registration - Module 6: Strategic use of the Hague System: optimizing its efficiencies and avoiding irregularities
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are experts in the field.</p> <p>Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy’s enhanced learning platform, tutors/intellectual property (IP) experts will discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 10 hours of study time over a period of four to five weeks.</p>
Target audience	<p>The target audience for the course primarily includes technical professionals such as patent examiners, health policymakers and their assistants, drug procurement specialists, IP specialists and senior students.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>English.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>As with other specialized courses, registration fees apply for the tutor-guided sessions. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.</p>

15. Advanced Course on Examination of Applications for Plant Breeders' Rights (DL-305-UPOV)

Description	The objective of this advanced course is to provide a basic understanding of the examination process for applications for plant breeders' rights under the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV).
Content and structure	The course includes 13 substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section I: Operating a plant breeders' rights (PBR) office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: PBR office - Module 2: Administration of applications - Module 3: Entitlement to a breeder's right - Module 4: Information to be published - Section II: Examining novelty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 5: Examining novelty - Section III: Examining the variety denomination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 6: Examining the variety denomination - Section IV: Distinctiveness, uniformity and stability (DUS) examination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 7: Introduction to the DUS examination - Module 8: Variety collections - Module 9: Examining distinctness - Module 10: Examining uniformity - Module 11: Examining stability - Module 12: Conducting the DUS trial - Module 13: Cooperation in DUS testing - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of intellectual property (IP).
Final exam	The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 70 hours of study time over a period of four weeks. It can be taken as a single course (DL-305), or as two separate courses (DL-305A and DL-305B): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DL-305A: Administration of Plant Breeders' Rights (approximately 30 hours). - DL-305B: DUS Examination (approximately 45 hours).
Target audience	The target audience includes officials or officially appointed people responsible for running PBR offices or for drafting PBR legislation, key staff at PBR offices, organizers of DUS trials, DUS examiners, plant breeders, IP managers, IP agents/attorneys and academics/students.
Prerequisite(s)	Before taking the course, prospective participants must have successfully completed the Introduction to the UPOV System of Plant Variety Protection (DL-205-UPOV), achieving at least 70 per cent in the final examination.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at http://www.upov.int/resource/en/training.html .
Languages of instruction	English, French, German and Spanish.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. Consult the UPOV online course catalog for details and updates at https://www.upov.int/resource/en/training.html .

16. Advanced Course on Arbitration and Mediation Procedure under the WIPO Rules (DL-317)

Description	This is an intermediate-level specialized course that gives participants a comprehensive understanding of the main features and advantages of the procedures designed by the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center. It provides in-depth knowledge of the way to identify the most appropriate dispute resolution procedures for particular cases and insert the most appropriate dispute resolution clauses in agreements.
Content and structure	The course includes four substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: The WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center - Module 2: Mediation - Module 3: Arbitration and expedited arbitration - Module 4: Conducting the arbitration - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of intellectual property (IP).
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 70 hours of study time over a period of seven weeks.
Target audience	The course is useful for those who generate and/or seek to protect various forms of IP and want a more comprehensive understanding of dispute settlement procedures under WIPO rules. As an intermediate-level course, it is designed for individuals who possess a working knowledge of the fundamental concepts of IP law. It is strongly recommended that prospective participants are functionally knowledgeable in IP or have passed one of the following courses: General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101), offered on a scholarship basis for those who register; Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201); Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301); or Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302).
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Languages of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Nationally customized version(s)	China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center in Chinese at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .
Tuition fees	Registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

17. Advanced Course on Patent Information Search (DL-318)

Description	This advanced course introduces and illustrates comprehensively the concepts underlying the patent information search function. Practical activities have been incorporated throughout the course to complement the theoretical principles underpinning this function. Participants are also equipped with in-depth knowledge of the sources, techniques and data used in patent searches.
Content and structure	The course includes eight substantive modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction – the value of patent information - Module 2: Different types of patent search – the strategic use of patent information - Module 3: Techniques for searching patent documents - Module 4: Patent information search training - Module 5: Efficient and effective searching - Module 6: Specialized searches - Module 7: The patent search report - Module 8: Towards a greener economy - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of intellectual property (IP). Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select patent search topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	The course is geared towards staff in IP offices and R&D institutions, legal practitioners and university students with knowledge of IP. It is highly recommended that prospective participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101), Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301) and the e-Tutorial on Using Patent Information (DL-177) before embarking on this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Languages of instruction	Chinese, English, French, Portuguese and Spanish. Additional language versions, including Arabic and Russian, will be available in the future.
Nationally customized version(s)	- Brazil: offered in Portuguese in collaboration with the National Institute of Industrial Property at https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/a-academia/cursos-de-ensino-a-distancia . - China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .
Tuition fees	As with advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

18. Advanced Course on Basics of Patent Drafting (DL-320)

Description	<p>The aim of this advanced course is to complement participant knowledge of patent drafting and serve as a preparatory course for intensive practical training in the field.</p> <p>Note: the course does not convey any professional qualification for patent drafting, nor does it replace existing training manuals for patent attorneys or patent agents in countries with robust systems for the professional education of patent practitioners.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course material has been designed on the basis of common denominators for several national patent laws under which most applicants seek patent protection.</p> <p>It includes five substantive modules, thematic discussions and a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction – why might you want a patent? - Module 2: Overview of patents - Module 3: Drafting a patent application – the claims - Module 4: Drafting a patent application – the description - Module 5: Self-assessment questions: practical exercises in claim drafting - Thematic discussions with patent drafting experts on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - chemistry patents - pharmaceutical patents - biotechnology patents - computing and communications patents - general mechanical patents - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of intellectual property (IP).</p> <p>Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select patent drafting topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions and questions requiring written responses. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is predominantly designed for inventors, scientists, engineers and others involved in technical endeavors. Participants are expected to have a solid working knowledge of IP fundamentals.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP or patents take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301) before enrolling in this course.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Languages of instruction	<p>Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.</p>

Nationally customized version(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Brazil: offered in Portuguese in collaboration with the National Institute of Industrial Property at https://www.gov.br/inpi/pt-br/servicos/academia/cursos-de-extensao/ensino-a-distancia.- China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

19. Advanced Course on Intellectual Property Management (DL-450)

Description	This advanced course aims to raise awareness of the principal concepts of intellectual property management (IPM) and its importance as a spur to human creativity and economic and social development. It explains how to develop and implement an IPM strategy, for general application and in an online environment.
Content and structure	The course includes nine substantive modules that address the interdisciplinary nature of IP management and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: IPM – introduction and overview - Module 2: Economic perspectives on IPM - Module 3: Innovation and IP protection - Module 4: Intellectual property (IP) value and finance - Module 5: IP and commercialization - Module 6: Online IPM - Module 7: Strategy for IPM - Module 8: IP and development – open source, flexibilities and public domain - Module 9: Case studies on IPM - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of IP. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select IP management topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	The course requires approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 12 weeks.
Target audience	The course is geared towards professionals with a basic knowledge of IP or business management and general responsibilities for managing and protecting various forms of IP. It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) before enrolling in this course. Some knowledge of copyright, patents and trademarks would also be an asset. Courses offered by the WIPO Academy on the three subjects include the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201), Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301), and the Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302).
Registration	The course will be under review in 2025. Information on registration periods and enrollment for the self-study version of the course will be available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Languages of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Nationally customized version(s)	China: offered in Chinese in collaboration with the China Intellectual Property Training Center at http://wipo-academy.ciptc.org.cn/public/index?v=0&r=0 .

Tuition fees

As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

20. Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Legal Practitioners (DL-501)

Description	<p>This advanced course builds participant knowledge of the fundamentals of copyright, in particular international copyright treaties bearing on the management and enforcement of rights nationally. It provides an overview of the issues that legal practitioners customarily deal with in relation to the collective management of copyright and related rights, and the ways in which creators, users, legislators and society at large benefit from the collective management system.</p> <p>Legal practitioners must understand what collective management organizations (CMOs) do, how they receive mandates from rights holders and how they license the use of protected works. Although practitioners' advice may be required on almost any aspect of collective management, the most common issues concern the establishment of a CMO, agreements concluded between rights holders and users of protected works, the settlement of tariff disputes and certain aspects of competition law.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes 12 modules and a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Berne Convention – principles and works - Module 2: Berne Convention – rights and limitations relevant to collective management - Module 3: Related rights and the Rome Convention - Module 4: WIPO Copyright Treaty and WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty - Module 5: Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances - Module 6: Introduction to collective management for legal practitioners - Module 7: Good governance, transparency and accountability of CMOs - Module 8: Duties and responsibilities of a lawyer - Module 9: Competition and antitrust laws - Module 10: Transfers of rights to and from a CMO - Module 11: Dispute resolution - Module 12: Different forms of a CMO and different licensing vehicles - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of collective management.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/intellectual property (IP) experts will discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>There is a written final examination for the course. Participants are required to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 80 hours of study time over a period of 10 weeks.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is open to legal practitioners, managers in copyright offices, staff in CMOs, broadcasting organizations or publishing industries, academics and university students with prior knowledge of IP.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP or copyrights take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) before enrolling in this course.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>

Languages of instruction	Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Chinese will be offered in the future.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

21. Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Rights Holders (DL-502)

Description	<p>This advanced course is designed for anyone seeking in-depth knowledge of collective management, especially primary rights holders. It explains how creators, users, legislators and society at large benefit from the collective management system and explores the workings of collective copyright management for works of music, text and images, visual art and photography, as well as dramatic works.</p> <p>After a basic introduction to copyright and related rights, to refresh knowledge participants should have acquired, it identifies the three main elements of a properly functioning copyright system, namely, legislation, policy and the management of rights. The overriding principle is that collective management can provide a feasible solution where it may be impracticable or impossible for intellectual property (IP) right holders to exercise their rights individually.</p> <p>The course examines the governance of the day-to-day work of collective management organizations (CMOs) as well as synergies among stakeholders in the legal, creative, management and policy arenas that can serve to balance the benefits of creators and society. Learners can examine the challenges and opportunities brought by digital technologies and the Internet through preplanned questions and answers, and dynamic discussions with peers and experts.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes seven modules followed by a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to collective management - Module 2: Collective management for rights holders – musical works - Module 3: Collective management for rights holders – performances and sound recordings - Module 4: Collective management for rights holders – audiovisual works - Module 5: Collective management for rights holders – text and image-based works - Module 6: Collective management for rights holders – visual arts and photography - Module 7: Collective management for rights holders – dramatic works - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of collective management.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss important and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination requires participants to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>Approximately 120 hours of study time over a period of 10 weeks.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is open to managers in copyright offices, staff in CMOs, broadcasting organizations or publishing industries, legal practitioners, academics and university students with prior knowledge of IP.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP or copyrights take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) before enrolling in this course.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>

Languages of instruction	Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Chinese will be offered in the future.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

22. Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Collective Management Organizations (DL-503)

Description	<p>This advanced course is designed for anyone seeking in-depth knowledge of collective management, and especially individuals from collective management organizations (CMOs). It explains how creators, users, legislators and society at large benefit from the collective management system and explores the workings of collective copyright management for works of music, text and images, visual art and photography and dramatic works.</p> <p>After a basic introduction to copyright and related rights, to refresh knowledge participants should have acquired, the course identifies the three main elements of a well-functioning copyright system: legislation, policy and rights management. The overriding principle is that collective management can provide a feasible solution where it may be impracticable or impossible for intellectual property right holders to exercise their rights individually.</p> <p>The course examines the governance and the day-to-day work of CMOs as well as synergies among stakeholders in the legal, creative, management and policy arenas that can serve to balance the benefits of creators and society. Learners can examine the challenges and opportunities caused by digital technologies and the Internet through preplanned questions and answers, and dynamic discussions with peers and experts.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes seven modules and a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to collective management - Module 2: Collective management for CMOs – musical works - Module 3: Collective management for CMOs – performances and sound recordings - Module 4: Collective management for CMOs – audiovisual works - Module 5: Collective management for CMOs – text and image-based works - Module 6: Collective management for CMOs – visual arts and photography - Module 7: Collective management for CMOs – dramatic works - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of collective management.</p> <p>Tutors will also deliver online lectures on select topics related to the collective management of copyright towards the end of the course, before the final assessment.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/intellectual property (IP) experts will discuss important and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination requires participants to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses, using the eLearning platform, to their tutors for marking.</p> <p>Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>Approximately 125 hours of study time over a period of 10 weeks.</p>

Target audience	<p>The course is open to managers in copyright offices, staff in CMOs, broadcasting organizations or publishing industries, legal practitioners, academics and university students with prior knowledge of IP.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that participants with no prior knowledge of IP or copyrights take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) before enrolling in this course.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>The course is offered in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish and will in the future be available in Chinese.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.</p>

23. Advanced Course on Collective Management of Copyright and Related Rights for Policymakers (DL-506)

Description	<p>This advanced course introduces policymaking for the collective management of copyright and related rights. It considers the three main elements of a well-functioning copyright system: legislation, enforcement and rights management. Such management is mostly the task of the private sector but in cases where legislation includes special stipulations on collective management, policymakers have a direct role. The main objectives are to examine the various legislative frameworks for collective management and study the role that governments can play in the collective management of rights.</p> <p>The course examines how creators, users, legislators and society at large benefit from the system of collective management for music and sound recordings, film and audiovisual works, print and publishing, visual arts and photography, and dramatic works, where policymakers play a direct part in legislation and enforcement. Their primary role is to lay down legislative frameworks for copyright and collective management but in some countries they can also have a supervisory role.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes two modules and a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to collective management - Module 2: Collective management for policymakers - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of collective management.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/intellectual property (IP) experts will discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final examination requires participants to compose written responses to a series of questions within a specified time frame and submit their responses via the eLearning platform to their tutors for marking. Participants will receive details on how to access the examination approximately one week before the deadline for completing the course.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 40 hours of study time over a period of six weeks but can be completed in two weeks.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is open to legal practitioners, managers in copyright offices and staff in collective management organizations, broadcasting organizations or publishing industries. It is also open to academics and university students with a basic knowledge of IP.</p> <p>It is highly recommended that participants who do not have prior knowledge of IP or copyrights take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) before enrolling in this course.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>The course is offered in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish and will in the future be available in Chinese.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.</p>

24. Advanced Course on Software Licensing, including Open Source(DL-511)

Description	This advanced course aims to enhance awareness of the possibilities and implications of proprietary and open source software, and to create useful sources of information, including concrete examples and a bibliography on software licensing, whether proprietary or open source, with special emphasis on the needs of developing countries.
Content and structure	The course includes four modules and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Intellectual property (IP) regimes for software- Module 2: Software licensing – traditional and open source- Module 3: Benefits and risks of open source software strategies- Module 4: Public policy options to support wider access to open source software- Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of software licensing. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected topics pertaining to software licensing and open source software towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.
Duration	Approximately 30 hours of study time over a period of 10 weeks.
Target audience	The course is open to legal practitioners, business managers, academics and university students with prior knowledge of IP. It is highly recommended that participants with no prior knowledge of IP or copyrights take the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101) and/or the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) before enrolling in this course.
Registration	The course will be under review in 2025. Information on registration periods and enrollment for the self-study version of the course will be available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	The course is offered in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, and will in the future be available in Chinese.
Tuition fees	As with other advanced courses, registration fees apply for the tutor-guided sessions. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

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25. Executive Course on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources in the Life Sciences (DL-427)

Description	<p>This executive-level course serves as an introduction to strategic rights management in the commercialization of intellectual property (IP), genetic resources (GR) and data, laying the foundation for advanced WIPO training support for IP management in respect of genetic resources and data in the life sciences.</p> <p>The course will help life science enterprise executives and innovators align their business and commercialization models with sound IP strategies. It also informs policymakers on the latest trends and technologies to facilitate the evolution of modern, IP-based life science innovation ecosystems.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course includes the following five modules and a final assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP and GR in the life sciences - Module 2: Branches of IP and policy relevant to the use of GR in the life sciences - Module 3: Emerging issues in GR law and policy and related technologies - Module 4: Relevant legal instruments and international policy processes on IP and GR in the life sciences - Module 5: Practical IP issues on GR in the life sciences - Final examination
Teaching	<p>Academic support is provided throughout each module by experienced tutors who are expert practitioners in the field of IP and GR.</p> <p>Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected topics related to IP and GR in the life sciences towards the end of the course, before the final assessment.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss best practices and landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on issues of particular interest to participants.</p>
Final assessment	<p>The final assessment consists of a series of multiple-choice questions.</p>
Certificate	<p>An electronic certificate will be generated on successful completion of the final examination.</p>
Duration	<p>Participants can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that this requires 20 hours of study time.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is designed for: executives of enterprises in the field of IP and GR (for example, companies, universities, research institutions, gene banks, biobanks, culture collections); policymakers, innovators and researchers in the field of IP and GR; and people interested in knowing more about the use of GR in the modern life sciences.</p>
Registration	<p>Information on registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>English.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>As with other executive courses, registration fees apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.</p>

26. WIPO Connect Training (DL-550)

Description	<p>WIPO Connect is a powerful IT solution developed and offered by WIPO to facilitate the collective management of copyright and related rights.</p> <p>The course provides an overview of its function and operations in the areas of documentation, agreement, licensing, matching, distribution and configuration.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course consists of seven modules linked to four certificates, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 0: Introduction to WIPO Connect <p>Certificate 1: WIPO Connect Documentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Rights owner documentation- Module 2: Work documentation <p>Certificate 2: WIPO Connect Agreement and Licensing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 3: Agreement and licensing <p>Certificate 3: WIPO Connect Matching and Distribution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 4: Matching- Module 5: Distribution <p>Certificate 4: WIPO Connect Configuration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 6: Configuration
Teaching	<p>Training support and guidance is provided by professionals and practitioners experienced in the use of the WIPO Connect tool.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, experienced professionals/practitioners will discuss best practices and respond to participants' queries.</p>
Final exam	<p>Each of the four certificates requires completion of online multiple-choice quizzes.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants can obtain up to four certificates based on the modules they opt to complete. Those earning all four will also receive an overall WIPO Connect training certificate denoting completion of the entire WIPO Connect training program.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 30 hours of study time.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is intended primarily for staff, officials and trainees of collective management organizations currently using or planning to use the WIPO Connect tool in their day-to-day work.</p>
Registration	<p>Enrollment is by invitation only.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>The course is offered in English and French.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>Scholarships are available for all those invited to participate.</p>

27. Specialized Course on Developing Successful WIPO Development Agenda Projects (DL-620)

Description	<p>This course provides detailed information on the methodology for designing and implementing WIPO Development Agenda (DA) projects. It analyzes challenges in DA project preparations, promotes the development and implementation of successful DA project proposals and helps to disseminate the lessons learned for the benefit of other countries and organizations.</p> <p>All the modules are designed to be taken when needed, providing help at the appropriate time in a project life cycle.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course comprises the following modules:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 0: Development Agenda and introduction to the course - Module 1: Project concept - Module 2: Preparing full project proposals - Module 3: Preparing an approved project - Module 4: Monitoring and managing change - Module 5: Evaluation - Module 6: Dissemination - End of course activity
Teaching	<p>Training support and guidance is provided by professionals and practitioners experienced in DA project management.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, experienced professionals/practitioners will discuss best practices and respond to participants' queries.</p>
Final exam	<p>The final assessment consists of a written essay question and an activity component.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who complete the end of course assessment will be awarded an electronic certificate of course completion.</p>
Duration	<p>The course requires approximately 25 hours of study time.</p>
Target audience	<p>The course is intended for DA project managers and country focal points from WIPO Member States, intellectual property (IP) offices, WIPO internal staff and other relevant stakeholders in WIPO DA projects.</p>
Registration	<p>Enrollment is by invitation only.</p>
Language of instruction	<p>English.</p>
Tuition fees	<p>The course is offered on a scholarship basis for all those invited to participate.</p>

28. WHO-WIPO-WTO Executive Course on Promoting Access to Medical Technologies and Innovation (DL-701)

Description	This executive course provides an overview of the interplay between the distinct policy domains of health, trade and intellectual property (IP) and how they affect access to and influence innovation in medical technologies. It draws together the respective areas of expertise of the World Health Organization (WHO), WIPO and the World Trade Organization (WTO), and is based on the joint WHO-WIPO-WTO study, <i>Promoting Access to Medical Technologies and Innovation</i> .
Content and structure	The course consists of the following topics and a final examination: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Policy context for action on innovation and access - Access-related issues from a public health perspective - Determinants of access relating health systems - Issues relating to innovation and public health, with a focus on neglected diseases - The role of IP in innovation and access - Issues relating to trade and health-care products - Final examination
Teaching	Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are experts in the field. Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination. The Academy also offers a self-paced, non-tutored version of the course.
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.
Final exam	The final examination for the course includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate.
Duration	The course requires approximately 10 hours of study time over a period of four to five weeks.
Target audience	The target audience for the course primarily includes technical professionals such as patent examiners, health policymakers and their assistants, drug procurement specialists, IP specialists and advanced students. It is recommended that participants have a basic knowledge of IP and how it relates to health and trade policy issues before taking this course.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Tuition fees	As with other executive courses, registration fees apply for the tutor-guided sessions. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

29. Patent X – Certificate Course on Patent Law and Global Public Health

Description	The course is jointly offered by the WIPO Academy and Harvard Law School (HLS). It examines the relationships between intellectual property (IP) and public health, and ways in which patent law and other legal systems might be interpreted to more effectively address ongoing and future global pandemics. The course content is especially relevant to developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition.
Content and structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the patent system and the WIPO Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) - Eligibility - Utility and disclosure - Newness (the novelty and inventive-step requirements) - Claims - Infringement - Remedies - The global health crisis - Improving pharmaceutical markets - Improving IP - Alternative incentive systems - Looking forward
Teaching	<p>Patent X is delivered by eminent academics trained and certified by HLS.</p> <p>The course includes a set of recorded lectures, designed to summarize the principal aspects of patent law and policy, and seminars in which small groups of students, under the guidance of expert teachers, use case studies to explore and assess the patent system and global public health challenges.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	An asynchronous online forum will be accessible to students and alumni of Patent X, dedicated to discussions on recent developments in IP law and public health throughout the world.
Final exam	A final examination is conducted at the end of the 12-week course through the HLS eLearning platform.
Certificate	Successful participants will be awarded a certificate of completion signed jointly by HLS and WIPO.
Duration	<p>The course is offered twice a year for a period of 12 weeks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fifth edition: January to June 2025 - Sixth edition: September to December 2025
Target audience	The course is intended for professionals such as patent examiners, attorneys, health policymakers, pharmaceutical executives, drug procurement specialists, IP specialists and senior university students. It is recommended that participants have a basic knowledge of IP and the way it relates to health and trade policy issues before taking this course.
Registration	<p>Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy website at www.wipo.int/academy.</p> <p>Information on the registration periods and application process will be available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	English.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to participants free of charge.

30. Advanced International Certificate Course on Intellectual Property Asset Management (AICC)

Description	The objective of this course is to provide limited access for participants in the IP Panorama 2.0 and the Advanced Course on Intellectual Property Management (DL-450) to intellectual property (IP) education programs that will deepen their knowledge of IP management. It is offered in collaboration with the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO), Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST) and Korea Invention Promotion Association (KIPA).
Content and structure	<p>The course consists of the following three stages:</p> <p>Stage 1: eLearning phase</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP Panorama 2.0 - Advanced Course on IP Management (DL-450) <p>Stage 2: DL-450 assessment and IP essay</p> <p>Stage 3: Four-day in-person workshop in Seoul, Republic of Korea</p>
Teaching	<p>Experienced tutors and trainers who are experts in the field of IP management will provide academic support for all three stages of the course.</p> <p>The in-person workshop enables participants to learn about and discuss advanced topics in IP asset management, collaborate with peers and create networks from in-person interactions during the seminar/lectures.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform and that of KIPA-KIPO, tutors/IP experts will discuss landmark cases, as well as good practices in IP management.
Assessment(s)	During stages 1 and 2, all participants must complete the IP Panorama 2.0 exam, DL-450 assessment and IP essay. A limited number of the best-performing participants from these stages will be invited to participate in the in-person workshop in Seoul.
Eligibility for in-person workshop	Admission to the in-person program is subject to a selection process that assesses each applicant's motivation, qualifications and performance during stages 1 and 2.
Venue and date	<p>Stage 1, the eLearning phase, and stage 2, the DL-450 assessment and IP essay, will take place online during the first three quarters of 2025. The in-person training stage is planned for the end of 2025, in Seoul.</p> <p>More specific information on the registration period and course schedule will be made available at https://welc.wipo.int and on the KIPO Academy eLearning website at https://www.kipoacademy.kr/.</p> <p>The in-person workshop may be conducted partially or fully online in accordance with prevailing public health and international travel conditions.</p>
Certificate	Participants who pass the online courses and the IP essay and participate in the in-person program will be awarded a certificate signed jointly by WIPO, KIPO and KIPA.
Duration	Online participation in stages 1 and 2, including the selection process, is expected to take 15 weeks, and the in-person course four days.
Target audience	The target audience for the course consists of IP practitioners, business professionals/managers, lawyers, government officials, academics and students seeking advanced knowledge in IP management systems and practices. WIPO strongly encourages women, as well as participation from developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition.

Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int and the KIPO Academy eLearning website at https://www.kipoacademy.kr/ .
Language	The course is offered in English.
Scholarship and tuition Fee	Stages 1 and 2 are offered free of charge to all registrants. For the in-person workshop in stage 3, WIPO and KIPO provide financial assistance to a limited number of high-performing participants from stages 1 and 2 who are professionally and academically motivated in the area of IP management. This is expected to cover the cost of travel to the training venue and subsistence expenses during the four days of training.

31. Intellectual Property-Impact Certificate Course – Certification for IP Teaching at the Primary and Secondary School Level (IPCC)

Description	<p>The certificate course imparts robust general knowledge of intellectual property (IP) creativity and inventiveness, and the skills required to teach IP to primary and secondary school educators and national curricula designers in developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition. It is offered in collaboration with the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Korea Invention Promotion Association (KIPA).</p> <p>As part of this three-stage blended program, teachers benefit from practical, hands-on lectures from IP, pedagogical and innovation experts, and collaborate with peers in developing IP lesson plans and curricula emphasizing creativity and inventiveness. Successful completion of all three stages will qualify participants to propose creativity, inventiveness and IP training programs for integration into the national curriculum and deliver such training in their classrooms. It will also entitle them to certification from WIPO, KIPO and KIPA as teachers of IP at primary and secondary school levels.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course consists of the following three stages:</p> <p>Stage 1: Online training, either the Primer on IP (DL-001) or IP Ignite.</p> <p>Stage 2: Four-day in-person seminar to learn about and discuss selected topics. The topics, languages of instruction and regional coverage will change each year. Participants with backgrounds in education will be selected based on nominations from the relevant national ministries of education or by achieving high levels of success in the DL-001 or IP Ignite courses offered by WIPO and KIPA-KIPO, respectively.</p> <p>Stage 3: Graded final assessment of a business case or proposal for the integration of creativity, inventiveness and IP into the national curriculum or as part of a classroom lesson plan for elementary or secondary school levels.</p>
Teaching	<p>Experienced coaches and trainers who are experts in the fields of IP, innovation and pedagogy, provide academic support throughout all three stages of the course.</p>
Online discussions and assignments	<p>Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform and that of KIPA-KIPO, tutors/IP experts will discuss important and relevant practices in relation to IP education for youth from the perspective of creativity and inventiveness.</p>
Final exam	<p>Participants must successfully complete a graded final assessment (stage 3) to receive certification in IP teaching at primary and secondary school levels.</p>
Eligibility for in-person training	<p>Admission to the in-person program (stage 3) is subject to a selection process to assess each applicant's motivation, qualifications and performance during stages 1 and 2. Curriculum developers must be nominated by their respective ministries of education.</p>
Venue and date	<p>The in-person seminar (stage 2) is planned for the second half of 2025 (venue to be decided). More specific information on registration periods and dates for the in-person training will be available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p> <p>The in-person training phase may be conducted partially or fully online depending on prevailing public health and international travel conditions.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants who successfully complete all three stages of the blended program will be awarded certification as a teacher of IP at primary and secondary school levels, signed jointly by WIPO, KIPO and KIPA.</p>
Duration	<p>Online participation in stage 1 and participant selection for the in-person seminar in stage 2 is expected to take 15 weeks. The duration of the in-person seminar will be four days.</p>

Target audience	The target audience for the course includes schoolteachers, education policymakers and curriculum developers from developing countries.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Language	English.
Scholarship and tuition Fee	Financial assistance is provided by the WIPO Academy, KIPO and KIPA for a limited number of applicants. This is expected to cover tuition fees for the online learning phase, travel to the training venue and subsistence expenses during the four days of training.

32. WIPO International Patent Drafting Training Program (IPDTP)

Description	<p>This program provides comprehensive training in the drafting of patent applications to people with professional and commercial interest in patents or looking to enhance their patent drafting skills across different technical fields. This practice-oriented training program will permit inventors and those providing services to them to acquire the technical skills and knowledge necessary to prepare and file successful patent applications and to draft the all-important claims that determine the scope and coverage of patent protection.</p> <p>The training program will combine state-of-the-art WIPO eLearning tools with access to patent drafting experts, both virtually through online discussion forums and mentoring, and in-person through workshops conducted at WIPO headquarters in Geneva.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The training program will use blended learning tools, combining the WIPO eLearning Center with workshops at WIPO headquarters. The course has three phases:</p> <p>Phase 1: Drafting basics (online)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Module 1: Fundamentals of patent drafting- Module 2: Parts of a patent application- Module 3: Relevance of claim drafting: types of claims- Module 4: Designing claims- Module 5: Drafting a description- Module 6: Performing drawings <p>Phase 2: Geneva workshop (in-person)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Theme 1: Pre-drafting preparation and inventor interview- Theme 2: Drafting claims and the specification- Theme 3: Claim drafting in different technical fields and jurisdictions- Theme 4: Drafting enforceable claims <p>Phase 3: Mentoring (online)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Expert-guided advanced patent drafting exercises in participants' field of expertise
Teaching, discussions and exercises	<p>Experienced tutors and trainers who are experts in the field of patents will provide academic support throughout all phases of the training program.</p> <p>Study materials, assignments, exercises and examinations will be organized for all phases via the WIPO eLearning Center. The online platform can also be used for group discussions, direct chats with tutors and submitting work outputs.</p>
Final Exam	<p>Participants' patent drafting skills will be tested at the end of the third phase via the WIPO eLearning Center.</p>
Certificate	<p>Participants successfully completing all phases of the training program and passing the examinations will be awarded a WIPO certificate.</p>
Duration	<p>The course has three phases over a period of eight months:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Phase 1: 10 weeks- Phase 2: five days- Phase 3: 10 weeks
Target audience	<p>The target audience for the course consists of active and aspiring patent agents' technology support staff in relevant institutions such as university technology transfer offices, public research centers and WIPO Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs). The program is also open to those regularly providing support to patent applicants and wishing to improve their patent-drafting skills.</p>
Registration	<p>Eligible individuals must submit an online application. A limited number of applicants will be selected by WIPO and invited to participate in the program.</p> <p>Information on the registration periods and application process will be available at https://welc.wipo.int/ipdtp.</p>

Eligibility	<p>Admission to this training program is subject to a selection process, which includes an assessment of each applicant's motivation and qualifications. Applicants must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A minimum of two years of university-level education in law and/ or science and technology (for example, engineering, life sciences, medicine, physics, chemistry, communication sciences or biotechnology) or at least one year of professional work or research experience in a field relevant to patent drafting/patent prosecution. - General knowledge of intellectual property (IP) and patents at least equivalent to that covered by the WIPO Academy Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301). - Proficiency in written and spoken English. - At least two years of university or higher-level education in English, or a score on the TOEFL iBT of 80/120 or IELTS of 6.5/9 in the past three years.
Language of instruction	<p>Currently available in English only. The Spanish version of the course is expected to launch in 2025.</p>
Tuition fees and scholarships	<p>A tuition fee of 1,000 United States dollars is payable on notification of acceptance. Discounts are applicable for the following participants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students from developed countries: 20 per cent discount, (lowering fee to 800 US dollars). - Professionals and students from developing countries and countries with economies in transition: 60 per cent discount (lowering fee to 400 US dollars). - Professionals and students from least developed countries: 80 per cent discount (lowering fee to 200 US dollars). <p>A limited numbers of WIPO scholarships are available for applicants from developing countries, least developed countries and countries in transition, to cover tuition as well as travel, transport and lodgings for the second phase of the program.</p>

33. WIPO Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) Staff Certification Program – Foundation Certificate

Description	<p>Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) are key focal points in promoting access and effective use of locally available high-quality technology information and other related services. The objective of this certification course is the development of foundational intellectual property (IP) skills and knowledge associated with professional services performed by TISC staff members and officials. This is the first certification course in a comprehensive program designed to give a professional character and raise the quality of TISC services, and increase the standardization of operations</p> <p>The course will be delivered over a period of five months, utilizing state-of-the-art WIPO eLearning tools, while also giving access to IP experts virtually, through the use of online discussion forums, and in-person, via lectures and workshops.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course uses a blended learning approach over two phases:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 1: eLearning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP - Module 2: Types of IP - Module 3: Patents - Module 4: Patent search – patent and non-patent literature - Module 5: Evaluation efficient and effective searching using the PATENTSCOPE search database - Module 6: Patent examination, filing routes, treaties and search report - Module 7: Using TISC resources - Phase 2: Live training seminars <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Theme 1: Value of patent information - Theme 2: Patent search tools and strategies - Theme 3: Using patent classification, in particular International Patent Classification (IPC), for searching - Theme 4: Key concepts and considerations in patent search - Theme 5: Searching patents using PATENTSCOPE - Theme 6: Types of patent search - Theme 7: Patent search exercise - Theme 8: Accessing and using TISC resources
Teaching, discussions and exercises	<p>During both phases study materials, assignments, exercises and examinations will be available online through the WIPO eLearning Center, which can also be used for group discussions and submitting work outputs.</p> <p>Phase 1 consists of an eLearning course, followed by live training seminars in phase 2. Both phases are led by experienced tutors and trainers who are experts in the fields of IP relevant to TISC services and operations.</p>
Final exam	<p>Graded assessments will be conducted at the end of each phase followed by a final evaluation, conducted on the WIPO eLearning Center, after phase 2.</p>
Certificates	<p>Participants who successfully complete both phases and pass the assessments with an overall grade of 65 per cent or above will be awarded a WIPO certificate.</p>
Duration	<p>The two phases extend over a period of up to four months, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 1: nine weeks - Phase 2: eight hours over a period of two weeks
Target audience	<p>The course is open to staff, officials and trainees in WIPO's global TISC network.</p>
Registration	<p>Eligible individuals must submit an online application and be nominated as participants by their respective TISC focal point.</p> <p>Information on the registration periods and application process will be available online through the WIPO eLearning Center.</p>

Eligibility	Applicants must be: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- current or a prospective/in-training TISC employee; and- proficient in written and spoken English, as demonstrated by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- regular use in day-to-day work (as confirmed by focal point nomination); or- a bachelor's or higher degree with English the language of instruction.
Language of instruction	English.
Tuition fees	The course is offered on a scholarship basis for all who are selected to participate.

34. WIPO Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) Staff Certification Program – Specialization Certificate on “Patentability Search”

Description	<p>Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) are key focal points in promoting access and effective use of locally available high-quality technology information services and other related services. The objective of this specialization certification course is the development of foundational intellectual property (IP) skills and knowledge associated with professional services performed by staff members and officials of TISCs. It is a comprehensive program designed to give a professional character and raise the quality of TISC services, and increase the standardization of TISC operations.</p> <p>The course will be delivered over a period of five months, utilizing state-of-the-art WIPO eLearning tools, while also giving access to IP experts virtually, through the use of online discussion forums, and in-person, via lectures and workshops.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course uses a blended learning approach over three phases:</p> <p>Phase 1: eLearning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Patent search strategies and techniques - Module 2: Efficient and effective searching using patent classifications - Module 3: Patentability search - Module 4: Mastering patent claims - Module 5: Patentability search reports - Module 6: Advanced techniques in patent search - Module 7: Assessing patentability - Module 8: Specialized patent search <p>Phase 2: Live training seminars</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Instructor-led course on patentability search, equivalent to up to eight hours of training, designed to practice, apply and elaborate on the teachings of phase 1. <p>Phase 3: Practical TISC experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Assessment of on-the-job application of the skills and knowledge acquired during the first two phases in assisting and advising TISC clients on IP issues of varying nature and complexity.
Teaching, discussions and exercises	<p>During all phases study materials, assignments, exercises and examinations will be available online through the WIPO eLearning Center, which can also be used for group discussions and submitting work outputs.</p> <p>Phases 1 and 2 are led by experienced tutors and trainers who are experts in the fields of IP relevant to TISC services and operations.</p>
Final exam	<p>Graded assessments will be conducted at the end of each phase followed by a final evaluation, conducted via the WIPO eLearning Center, after phase 2.</p>
Certificates	<p>Participants who successfully complete all phases and pass the assessments with an overall grade of 65 per cent or above will be awarded a WIPO certificate.</p>
Duration	<p>All phases will extend over a period of up to 4 months, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Phase 1: nine weeks - Phase 2: eight hours over a period of two weeks - Phase 3: nine weeks
Target audience	<p>The course is open to staff, officials and trainees in the WIPO global TISC network.</p>
Registration	<p>Eligible individuals must submit an online application and be nominated as participants by their respective TISC focal point.</p> <p>Information on the registration periods and application process will be available online through the WIPO eLearning Center.</p>

Eligibility	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- hold a valid TISC Staff Foundation Certificate;- be a current or prospective/in-training TISC employee; and- be proficient in written and spoken English, as demonstrated by:<ul style="list-style-type: none">- regular use in day-to-day work (as confirmed by focal point nomination); or- a bachelor's or higher degree with English the language of instruction.
Language of instruction	English.
Tuition fees	The course is offered on a scholarship basis for all who are selected to participate.

35. General Course on Intellectual Property for Judges (DL-JTIP)

Description	The WIPO Academy offers continuing judicial education based on the Academy's General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101). The version available for members of the judiciary has been developed and reviewed by a panel of experienced judges representing various regions and legal traditions.
Content and structure	The course is accessible worldwide and comprises the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to intellectual property (IP) rights - Module 2: Copyright and related rights - Module 3: Trademarks - Module 4: Patents - Module 5: Geographical indications - Module 6: Trade secrets/undisclosed information - Module 7: Industrial design - Module 8: Other IP-related topics
Teaching and final exam	A modular assessment is available at the end of each module.
Certificate	A certificate will be awarded to participants who have completed the course successfully.
Duration	Each participant can work through the course material at their own pace. It is estimated that it requires 75 hours of study time.
Target audience	The course is designed for members of the judiciary who have been vetted by their respective national judicial institutions.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available at https://welc.wipo.int/jtip/training .
Language of instruction	The course will be offered in Arabic, English, French, Portuguese and Spanish, and will in the future be available in Chinese and Russian.
Tuition fees	Free for members of the judiciary who have been approved by their respective national judicial institutions.
National customized version(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mongolia: offered in collaboration with the Judicial Academy of Mongolia at https://www.jtrii.mn/mn/. - Philippines: offered in collaboration with the Philippine Judicial Academy at https://philja.judiciary.gov.ph/.

36. Intellectual Property Training Program for Diplomats and Trade Officials (IPDTO)

Description	The WIPO Academy Intellectual Property Training Program for Diplomats and Trade Officials (IPDTO) is a specialized training program designed to equip participants with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate the complex landscape of intellectual property (IP) in the context of international diplomacy and trade.
Content and structure	<p>Phase 1: Specialized eLearning Course on IP (DL-008) Fundamentals of IP for diplomats & trade officials:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 1: Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP - Section 2: Copyright and related rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 2: Copyright - Module 3: Related rights - Section 3: Industrial property <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 4: Trademarks - Module 5: Geographical indications - Module 6: Industrial designs - Module 7: Patents - Module 8: New plant varieties - Section 4: Emerging issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 9: Unfair competition - Module 10: Enforcement of IP - Module 11: Emerging issues - Module 12: Conclusion <p>Phase 2: National IP Master Class Linkages between IP development and national challenges</p>
Teaching and final exam	<p>Tutors who are experts in the field of IP diplomacy provide academic support and conduct online lectures on selected topics prior to the final examination.</p> <p>A modular assessment is available at the end of each module.</p>
Certificate	Credentials will be awarded to diplomats and trade officials having successfully completed the associated modules.
Duration	The duration of the training program can be customized at the request of Member States.
Target audience	The course is aimed at diplomats and trade officials of WIPO Member States, those in training for such roles and other relevant stakeholders.
Registration	<p>The course is offered in partnership with national diplomatic training institutions. WIPO Member States interested in requesting this program for their diplomats and trade officials should email IPDTO.academy@wipo.int.</p> <p>For more information, visit https://welc.wipo.int/ipdto/.</p>
Language of instruction	The course will be offered in English and Spanish.
Tuition fees	Free for diplomats and trade officials nominated by their respective diplomatic training institutions or relevant national authorities.

37. Leadership Course on Intellectual Property, Science and Innovation for Women Scientists and Innovators

Description	<p>This leadership course is jointly organized on an annual basis by the WIPO Academy, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO).</p> <p>The main objective is to provide women scientists, innovators and emerging leaders with a comprehensive toolkit for intellectual property (IP) knowledge, critical thinking and leadership enriched by an entrepreneurial mindset.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course consists of the following three phases:</p> <p>Phase 1: eLearning Online course with live lectures, master classes, interactive exercises, curated learning material and a virtual discussion forum for participants.</p> <p>Phase 2: In-person workshop Five-day in-person learning from industry experts, including a study visit to scientific research facilities, networking with like-minded peers and IP professionals, and practical training and exercises on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Theme 1: How IP can help advance your scientific career - Theme 2: Integrating IP considerations into your research - Theme 3: Generating value from IP - Theme 4: How to perfect your pitch (interactive workshop) - Theme 5: How gender dynamics impact scientific innovation - Theme 6: Accelerating innovation and creativity - Theme 7: How to draft patents – a practical workshop for scientists - Theme 8: Korean experience with innovation and IP navigating emerging areas in IP - Theme 9: Navigating emerging areas in IP <p>Phase 3: Optional mentoring with WIPO Academy experts Offered on demand.</p>
Teaching and final exam	There is no final examination for this training program.
Certificate	A WIPO certificate will be awarded to participants who have completed the course.
Duration	The duration of the course, including the eLearning phase and five-day in-person training, is five weeks.
Target audience	The course is currently offered by invitation to a select group of laureates, international rising talents, young talents and national awardees from the UNESCO-L'Oréal Foundation for Women in Science.
Registration	Enrollment is by invitation only. For more information, please visit https://welc.wipo.int/fwis/ .
Language of instruction	The course will be offered in English.
Tuition fees	Financial assistance is provided by the WIPO Academy and KIPO to cover tuition for phase 1, in addition to travel and subsistence expenses for the in-person workshop in phase 2.

38. Executive Course on Intellectual Property and Exports (DL-730)

Description	<p>This executive course on intellectual property (IP) and exports addresses the common challenges faced by exporters and export agency workers in the Latin America and the Caribbean region.</p> <p>Through the use of real-world, situational case examples, the course explains the importance of IP to the export process. It provides functional tools to help industry insiders find solutions to key issues and better understand how IP can safeguard their exported products and services.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The course consists of six modules and a final examination:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction and problem-setting: IP and trade – real-world case examples and issues - Module 2: Obtaining rights abroad - Module 3: Licensing and sale of licensed products and services - Module 4: Foreign direct investment (FDI) as an alternative way to export knowledge, goods and services - Module 5: Review of national case studies and best solutions - Module 6: Practical checklist for exporters and export agency workers - Final examination
Teaching and final exam	<p>Academic support is provided by experienced tutors who are experts in the field. Using the Academy's enhanced learning platform, tutors/IP experts will discuss landmark cases with participants. Special group projects will be organized on topics of particular interest to participants.</p> <p>Tutors will also deliver online lectures on selected topics towards the end of the course, prior to the final examination. The final examination includes a series of multiple-choice questions. Participants have a fixed amount of time in which to complete and submit the examination online.</p>
Certificate	Participants who pass the final examination will be awarded an electronic certificate.
Duration	The course requires approximately 33 hours of study time over a period of four to five weeks.
Target audience	The target audience for the course primarily includes exporters, export promotion agents, regional networks of export agencies, traders, investors, entrepreneurs and business owners (of small and medium-sized enterprises and large firms) wishing to expand their export businesses to the global market.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int .
Languages of instruction	English, Portuguese and Spanish
Tuition fees	Registration fees may apply. For more details, see the table on tuition fees in the preceding section, General Information on the IP eLearning Program.

39. Intellectual Capital Management Training Program (ICMTP) for MSMEs and Entrepreneurs

Description	This is an executive-level education program intended to help identify intellectual capital management opportunities by providing training tailored to executives, managers and business professionals, working for micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (MSMEs) and large enterprises alike. It will leverage WIPO's long experience with intellectual property (IP) asset management and strategy courses to focus on executive-level intellectual capital legacy planning and development. Among other unique global intellectual capital management issues, the program concentrates on the opportunities associated with MSMEs.
Content and structure	<p>This program will use blended learning tools (combining the WIPO eLearning Center with in-person training) and can be customized for particular target groups and partner institutions.</p> <p>A typical program could be conducted over four consecutive days as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Day 1: Introduction examining project case studies on intellectual capital legacy- Days 2 and 3: Explanations of<ul style="list-style-type: none">- legal protection framework for intellectual asset and capital management- creating legacy value through intellectual capital and related value-chain management- capitalization options for intellectual capital- Day 4: Presentations and mentoring
Teaching and final exam	This program will be delivered by experts and case studies will be examined for discussion. There is no final examination.
Certificate	Certificates will be awarded to all participants who successfully complete the program.
Duration	The program's duration can be customized at the request of partner institutions.
Target audience	Executives from start-ups, MSMEs and enterprises, both big and small.
Registration	Enrollment is by invitation only in consultation with partner institutions.
Languages of instruction	Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish on request.
Tuition fees	This program is offered free to all selected participants.

On-demand Services

On-demand services are delivered at the request of WIPO Member States.

40. Customization and Translation of IP eLearning Courses

Description	<p>The WIPO Academy responds to Member State requests to translate and customize the IP eLearning courses offered internationally to accelerate fundamental intellectual property (IP) knowledge transfer to a wider range of country beneficiaries in their official language.</p> <p>Customization requests are approved and initiated through a standard procedure involving an exchange of letters or cooperation agreements, the approval of course content translators, the transfer of course content and establishment of an online course platform through WIPO Academy's eLearning Center.</p> <p>This involves a dedicated staff with the requisite backgrounds who are trained to acquire relevant expertise as they construct an effective IP education tool geared to the national – and possibly regional – context. The involvement of national IP offices as part of an international network of IP education advocates and experts is expected to be particularly dynamic. Skill and knowledge transfers are, therefore, a vibrant aspect of the process.</p>
Request this service	<p>For more information on this service or to submit a request, contact welc@wipo.int.</p>

41. Intellectual Property Educational Technology (IP EdTech)

Description	<p>IP EdTech is a flexible, tailored service designed to provide customized digital education solutions for intellectual property (IP) learning. It offers Member States and institutions eLearning platforms that cater to specific local needs, including online and offline capabilities for regions with limited connectivity. IP EdTech includes artificial intelligence (AI)-enhanced learning, immersive technologies and specialized training to ensure accessible and inclusive education. The service is supported by a dedicated team, ensuring skill transfer and platform mastery.</p> <p>Services offered include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementing an eLearning platform tailored to local needs - Utilizing AI avatar technology to create engaging educational videos - Leveraging offline eLearning services to reach regions with limited Internet connectivity - Transferring course materials, platform setup and integration of offline tools for enhanced reach - Specialized training for national IP offices on the use of digital tools to effectively manage and deliver digital education solutions
Request this service	<p>For more information on this service or to submit a request, contact academy.edtech@wipo.int.</p> <p>Requests for IP EdTech services are processed through a standard procedure involving official agreements and the customization of digital platforms to suit the needs of the requesting Member State.</p>

42. Intellectual Property for Youth Service (IP4Youth)

Description	<p>This service is offered in response to a demand from WIPO Member States for the introduction of intellectual property (IP) curricula for youth as early as primary school. The WIPO Academy's pedagogical approach for young learners introduces IP-related subjects in the classroom by means of creative and innovative problem-solving exercises.</p> <p>The Academy's gamified interactive tool for primary schoolchildren (Youth Corner) is available in Arabic with a revised English version under development. This creative process is modeled on the concepts of copyright, trademarks and patents, introducing primary school pupils to vocabulary they will continue to use in their future academic lives.</p> <p>For high school students, the IP4Youth Service offers appealing and informative workshops conducted in the dynamic setting of youth innovation camps. These workshops encompass a wide range of interactive activities, from group exercises to entertaining trivia quizzes designed to stimulate outside-the-box thinking. The sessions also feature practical exercises, drawing students into the fascinating world of IP and problem-solving theory (or TRIZ), which can be seamlessly integrated into STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) curricula. Adding an innovative dimension to the sessions, TRIZ is a systematic methodology enabling students to tackle real-world issues by applying inventive solutions.</p> <p>The IP4Youth Service goes beyond traditional classroom instruction to offer a holistic learning experience, with the youth camps providing an engaging environment for intellectual exploration. These camps primarily focus on copyright, patents and trademarks, providing students with a comprehensive understanding of these forms of IP.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The Youth Corner is an online space that offers IP learning content and tools along with enhanced audiovisual and interactive games on the following IP topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Game 1: Copyright (30 minutes)- Game 2: Patents (30 minutes)- Game 3: Trademarks (30 minutes) <p>The on-demand youth innovation camps include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Phase 1: Primer on IP (DL-001)- Phase 2: Face-to-face workshops on creativity, inventiveness, and IP
Target audience	<p>The IP4Youth Service is designed for primary and secondary school students, though people responsible for teaching or developing IP teaching guidelines for young learners can also benefit from the course.</p>
Request this service	<p>To request implementation of youth innovation camps or for more information, please email ip4youth@wipo.int.</p>

43. Intellectual Property Youth Ambassadors Program (on nomination)

Description	<p>The WIPO Academy's Intellectual Property Youth Ambassadors Program provides a unique opportunity for young and promising creators and inventors selected to promote the cause of intellectual property (IP) education within their respective home countries and regions. The program applauds the innovative achievements of the exceptional young people chosen and promotes their engagement in invaluable networking and peer interaction experiences. These appointed youth ambassadors play a pivotal role in activities designed to enhance their understanding of IP, hone their public speaking skills and equip them with the tools needed for effective advocacy.</p> <p>This multifaceted program transforms the young nominees into enthusiastic advocates for creativity, innovation and knowledge of IP, helping to develop a new generation versed in these areas. By instilling an appreciation for the value of IP rights and protection, these youth ambassadors become catalysts for a brighter future, where innovation and creativity are safeguarded and celebrated.</p> <p>This WIPO Academy Program is not just about theoretical learning but also about practical experiences and peer collaboration. It empowers individuals to protect their own innovative ideas while inspiring others in their communities to do the same. Their passion and dedication will play a pivotal role in nurturing an environment where IP rights are respected and upheld, fostering a culture of innovation and creativity for individual creators and society as a whole.</p>
Content and structure	<p>The IP Youth Ambassador Program offers a diverse range of activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Specialized IP training - Public speaking - IP advocacy workshops - Peer activities
Nomination	<p>To be selected for the IP Youth Ambassador Program candidates must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - be officially nominated by their respective national IP office; - be 35 years old or younger (the participation of minors requires parental consent); - be creators, inventors or entrepreneurs of nationally recognized products, start-ups or small and medium-sized enterprises; - be role models for other young creators, inventors and entrepreneurs; - be knowledgeable users of the IP system; - have successfully completed the WIPO Academy's General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101); and - have successfully completed the due diligence questionnaire on their invention or creation. <p>To nominate candidates for IP Youth Ambassadors Program, or for more information please email youthambassadors@wipo.int.</p>

44. Intellectual Property for Teachers and Education Policymakers Course (IP4Teachers)

Description	<p>The IP4Teachers course serves as a foundational platform for initiating teachers and educators on their intellectual property (IP) education journey. The WIPO Academy fosters meaningful dialogue and collaboration among educators, curriculum developers, educational policymakers and IP offices, and provides the means required for related skill enhancement, customizable teaching and learning resource development.</p> <p>This course invites teachers, educators and curriculum developers to enroll and gain access to an array of valuable resources, including curricula, teaching methodologies and educational content assembled by the WIPO Academy. It features educational policymakers from relevant countries as guest speakers and observers sharing their national perspectives and views on IP education.</p> <p>The course is meticulously designed to cater to individuals who are already actively engaged in educational roles in schools, IP offices, ministries of education and a variety of educational and training institutions. It equips professionals with skills in IP education transfer, enabling them to creatively incorporate these skills into their teaching practices. This enhances the overall understanding and awareness of IP.</p> <p>This approach seamlessly integrates online and face-to-face learning elements. Successful completion of the online course holds significant weight in the selection process for participation in the direct segment of the training. This approach ensures participants not only gain knowledge but also demonstrate their expertise and commitment to promoting IP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The online course provides a general introduction to IP.- The face-to-face stage, facilitated by the presence of curriculum developers and influential figures in education policymaking, takes a deeper dive into the subject matter.- On conclusion of the training, candidates are expected to submit an IP essay, reflecting their understanding and grasp of the subject matter. <p>The course is also offered online for teachers worldwide, allowing them to participate remotely, free of charge and without prerequisite conditions. The seminar, too, will be conducted online (five half days), guided by expert coaches and mentors in IP, pedagogy and the Theory of Inventive Problem Solving (TRIZ), ensuring accessibility to a broader audience of educators.</p>
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Content and structure	<p>The course consists of eLearning modules using enhanced audiovisual and interactive games to provide an overview of existing policies, IP learning content, teaching tools, interactive games and questions for young people, and a final teachers' assessment. The topics covered in the course include the following:</p> <p>Topic 1: Primer on Intellectual Property (DL-001) or the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101)</p> <p>Topic 2: Introduction to existing IP teaching challenges (face-to-face)</p> <p>Topic 3: Three interactive lessons on the following IP domains and one problem-solving method:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Copyright <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teachers' tools (180 min) - Copyright case study - Copyright lesson plan - Copyright student activities - Copyright teachers' notes - Patents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teachers' tools (180 min) - Patent case study - Patent lesson plan - Patent student activities - Patent teachers' notes - Trademarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Teachers' tools (180 min) - Trademark case study - Trademark lesson plan - Trademark student activities - Trademark teachers' notes <p>Topic 4: Final assessment of self-developed or customized teaching curricula based on the WIPO Academy tools listed under topic 3.</p>
Teaching and final exam	Academic support is provided throughout the course. Learners (who should be current teachers) can pose substantive questions to coaches online.
Certificate	An electronic certificate may be generated on successful completion of topic 1 (for the IP course) and topic 4 (for the final assessment).
Duration	The course requires approximately 70 hours of study time over a period of eight weeks.
Target audience	The course is designed primarily for educators and teachers guiding their young target audiences, though those responsible for introducing policies or developing IP teaching guidelines for young learners could also benefit.
Request this service	<p>To request an IP For Teachers Training Seminar, or for more information, please email ip4teachers@wipo.int.</p> <p>Information on the registration periods and enrollment will be available at https://welc.wipo.int.</p>
Language of instruction	The course will be offered in Arabic and English in 2025. Other languages will be subsequently made available, including Chinese, French, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish.
Tuition fees	This is a specialized course restricted to teachers, educators and policymakers in relevant fields. It is also offered on a scholarship basis, subject to recommendations from IP offices and other government offices.

45. WIPO Academy Master Class

Description	The WIPO Academy offers flexible, on-demand master classes, enabling Member States and partnering institutions to request tailored training sessions or courses on intellectual property (IP) topics. These ad hoc programs are designed to address specific needs or audiences where regular WIPO offerings may not currently exist or apply. Each master class is delivered by WIPO experts and can be customized to cover thematic areas of interest or specialized subject matter.
Request this service	To request a master class, please contact welc@wipo.int .

New Pilot Courses

Pilot courses are offered by invitation. Information on schedules and participation will be provided for the following courses on the WIPO eLearning Center in due course.

46. Specialized Course on Intellectual Property Enforcement

Description	This specialized course provides a factual overview of the legal and practical framework of intellectual property (IP) enforcement, with particular focus on areas of interest to legal practitioners and IP enforcement authorities. Through a series of microlearning modules, learners will explore topics such as counterfeiting, copyright piracy, online infringement and IP crime investigation.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP enforcement - Module 2: Trademark counterfeiting - Module 3: Copyright piracy - Module 4: Enforcement against online infringement - Module 5: Investigating IP crime - Module 6: Prosecuting IP crime - Module 7: Sentencing and ancillary orders - Module 8: Border measures
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

47. eLearning Tutorial on Patent Analytics

Description	This eLearning tutorial will allow participants to understand the key concepts associated with patent analytics, maximizing the value of patents as a source of information and knowledge, and also how patent data can be obtained, analyzed and visualized to aid the patenting and innovation process.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to patent analytics - Module 2: Understanding patents - Module 3: Why patent analytics? - Module 4: Obtaining patent data - Module 5: Cleaning and tidying patent data - Module 6: Analyzing and visualizing patent data - Module 7: Reporting and sharing
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

48. Specialized Course on Intellectual Property and Tourism

Description	<p>The specialized course will provide participants with comprehensive knowledge on the use of intellectual property (IP) rights by the tourism industry and relevant support institutions as part of effective business strategies and policies.</p> <p>The course will outline the key elements and legal requirements of IP rights linked most closely to the tourism value chain and how they can be protected domestically and abroad, elaborating on the advantages of business tools such as branding.</p>
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to IP for tourism - Module 2: Creating valid IP rights for tourism – trademarks - Module 3: Creating valid IP rights for tourism – other IP rights - Module 4: Protecting IP rights - Module 5: Commercializing IP rights - Module 6: Branding of products and services
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

49. General Course on Sports Entrepreneurship

Description	This general course on intellectual property (IP) and sports-related business covers business fundamentals such as financial literacy and entrepreneurship, and how IP relates to them. It also provides a basic understanding of IP and its application to sports-related areas, including merchandising, ambush marketing, the personality rights of athletes and licensing as an IP commercialization opportunity.
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

50. Primer on Biotechnology Tech-Transfer

Description	This course provides practical knowledge to professionals in the biotechnology innovation ecosystem on the environment needed to ensure legal protection and certainty, sustainability and effective technology transfer. It will also address challenging issues such as the role of intellectual property (IP), know-how protection and trade secrets in the creation, protection, commercialization and transfer of research outcomes from laboratories to public and private users.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Biotechnology and fields of use in the life sciences - Module 2: Technology transfer in the field of biotechnology - Module 3: Commercialization strategies for life science innovations - Module 4: IP rights in research and development - Module 5: From bench to market - Module 6: Regulatory, ethical and social considerations
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

51. Specialized Course on Intellectual Property in the Blue Economy

Description	<p>This specialized course highlights the intellectual property (IP) strategies, knowledge opportunities and tools required to cultivate a self-sustaining and culturally relevant ecosystem.</p> <p>The goal is to enable participants to effectively manage, protect and monetize IP within the blue economy sector, thereby enhancing the competitiveness and sustainability of businesses in Small Island Developing States (SIDS). By the end of the course, learners should have a practical understanding of the interface of IP in the blue economy ecosystem and will be able to formulate IP strategies that align with sustainable practices, protect indigenous knowledge and drive innovation in the blue economy.</p>
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Introduction to the blue economy - Module 2: Ocean resources and sustainable management - Module 3: IP fundamentals - Module 4: IP in the blue economy - Module 5: Patenting ocean innovations - Module 6: Copyright and the blue economy - Module 7: Trademarks and branding in the blue economy - Module 8: Trade secrets and confidential information - Module 9: International and regional agreements - Module 10: Environmental and ethical considerations - Module 11: IP valuation and commercialization - Module 12: Future trends and emerging issues in the blue economy
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

52. Specialized Course on Intellectual Property Audit

Description	This specialized course is designed to equip learners with the knowledge and skills needed to understand, conduct and apply the findings of intellectual property (IP) audits, and effectively navigate the complex IP landscape, ultimately contributing to the success of their organizations.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Intellectual property and audit - Module 2: Conducting an IP audit – processes and procedures - Module 3: Risk management
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

53. Specialized Course on Intellectual Property Finance and Valuation

Description	This specialized course will be conducted with cooperation and financial support from the Funds-In-Trust Korea, drawing inspiration from the Republic of Korea's experience and expertise in related policy and practice, and strengthening partnerships and networking among leaders in this field in developing member states. It offers learners a holistic approach to valuation and intellectual property (IP)-backed financing as shared by policymakers and experts from the public, nonprofit and private sectors.
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

54. General Course on Mastering PATENTSCOPE – the Global Patent Database

Description	Through exercises, this course covers the basics of PATENTSCOPE, what it can be useful for and how it can be used effectively.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 0: Introduction - Module 1: Introduction to patent databases - Module 2: What patents and patent documents are - Module 3: The different purposes of patent searches - Module 4: How to perform patent searches - Module 5: Getting started with PATENTSCOPE - Module 6: Practical exercises - Module 7: Future trends and global perspectives
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in English.

55. Intellectual Property Road Map for Entrepreneurs

Description	This course equips aspiring and seasoned entrepreneurs with the knowledge and skills needed to strategically leverage intellectual property (IP) to gain a competitive advantage in the business environment.
Content and structure	The course will comprise the following modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: IP basic concepts and importance - Module 2: IP in marketing and sales - Module 3: Working with clients, partners and suppliers - Module 4: IP management notions - Module 5: International markets
Language of instruction	The pilot session of the course will be offered in Spanish.

EXECUTIVE TRAINING PROGRAM

General and Practical Information

General information on the WIPO Academy Executive Training Program

The WIPO Academy Executive Training Program offers intensive courses for government officials and professionals from the public and private sectors looking to acquire intellectual property (IP) knowledge and develop practical IP skills. Each program is tailored to provide participants with a deeper understanding of IP in the areas of training, with a particular focus on the confident use of IP for business and professional growth.

1. Curriculum and partners

Organized in partnership with leading institutions from around the world, each training program is designed for specific target audiences. Building on the WIPO Academy's previous courses that were exclusively offered to government officials, the Executive Training Program is now more accessible, having been made available to additional beneficiaries in line with WIPO's vision to make IP available to everyone, everywhere. In addition to focused training courses for government officials, the program now offers upskilling courses for senior professionals, executives and entrepreneurs in the public and private sectors seeking to upskill knowledge of the tools and strategies to develop, use and manage IP rights effectively.

2. Course format and duration

The training programs are offered in a blended format allowing participants to learn from leading experts with a particular focus on a hands-on approach and practical sessions. Participants will learn about the latest developments and best practices through group exercises and exciting learning journeys, with a strong emphasis on skills-building. Each program is one week in duration to ensure busy professionals have a feasible learning opportunity.

3. Course eligibility

The Executive Training Program is for government officials, entrepreneurs, innovators, business owners, executives, university and technology transfer office (TTO) staff, and other IP professionals from the public and private sectors seeking to build practical IP knowledge and skills to enhance their professional and business capabilities.

4. Reasons to apply

For eligible candidates, the training programs offer a unique opportunity to:

- build practical IP skills for business management and economic growth;
- learn from leading global IP experts;
- network and collaborate with peers;
- participate on a full scholarship basis; and
- earn a WIPO Academy certificate.

5. WIPO Academy Certificate

A WIPO Academy certificate is awarded to participants on successfully completing an Executive Training Program.

Practical information on the WIPO Academy Executive Training Program

1. Prerequisites

Candidates for the Executive Training Program should have completed, or be prepared to complete, a special session of the WIPO Academy IP eLearning course(s) as designated in the description of each training course. They are required to have a working knowledge of the language in which the training course will be conducted.

2. Application procedure

Candidates are required to register online at <https://welc.wipo.int>. Only applications submitted online are considered. Under each advanced training course, the dates and the deadlines for registration are provided. It is recommended that candidates register for no more than two courses per year.

For government officials, registration must be endorsed by the Director General of the office or a senior official of the relevant ministry before it can be considered. It is also necessary to attach the required documents, as described on the WIPO Academy Executive Training Program web page. For assistance, email executive.program@wipo.int.

Recommendation letters from the national authorities must be attached to the online applications. Applications by email will not be accepted.

3. Selection of candidates

The selection of candidates is carried out by WIPO according to the eligibility criteria, taking into consideration the limited seating capacity for each program. Selected candidates are notified by a formal invitation letter. If necessary, they may be notified by email. Only selected candidates are notified. Information on travel and other administrative arrangements will be provided directly to the selected candidates.

Candidates who in the past three years have participated in one of the WIPO Academy programs for government officials will no longer be eligible for selection.

4. Medical insurance

With regard to courses taking place in person, participants are covered by a medical insurance taken out by WIPO for the training period. Details of the scheme are sent to the selected candidates.

5. Medical examination

Candidates selected for in-person executive training are required to undergo a medical examination confirming they are in good health. A selected candidate who is not fit to travel should inform WIPO on receipt of the invitation.

6. Visa requirements

With regard to training programs taking place in person, selected candidates are requested to obtain the visa of the country in which the training program is held. WIPO will not authorize the selected candidates to participate in the course unless they have obtained the required entry visas in advance.

Each selected candidate is responsible for obtaining the required visa(s), including transit visas for connecting airports. Visa costs are borne by the candidate.

7. Travel and accommodation for in-person training programs

Travel, subsistence and accommodation (where applicable) expenses are borne by WIPO, or by the governments or cooperating institutions only for in-person training programs. Participants receive a daily subsistence allowance to cover the cost of meals and accommodation, and terminal expenses to cover transport to and from the airport. In cases of the hotel being chosen and paid directly by the organizers, this lump sum will be revised according to WIPO rules.

If a course is originally planned to take place in-person but is later changed to an online course, no payment will be made to the invited participants.

Training for Government Officials

1. WIPO-WTO Executive Program on Intellectual Property Issues for Senior Government Officials

Introduction	This executive program is offered by WIPO and the World Trade Organization (WTO) for the benefit of developing countries, least developed countries and countries with economies in transition.
Course objectives	<p>The course upskills the competencies of senior government officials on emerging and crosscutting intellectual property (IP) issues currently debated in WIPO and WTO. It aims to provide a forum for consideration and discussion of contemporary IP topics at an advanced level so officials are better equipped to use IP as a tool for growth and development.</p> <p>As an executive program, it is designed for those officials who already have a strong foundational knowledge of IP, including international legal and policy dimensions. The program is not suitable as an introductory course for those who do not possess a solid knowledge of IP. Nominees without the requisite background in IP will not be considered.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Special session of General Course on IP:</p> <p>Selected participants must complete the General Course on IP (DL-101) prior to their participation in this course. Those who have completed DL-101 within three years prior to their selection are exempted from retaking DL-101. The special session of DL-101 will take place for a period of four weeks from notification of selection. A multiple-choice examination will be undertaken at the end of this special session of the DL-101.</p> <p>Preparation of country report:</p> <p>Participants will be requested to prepare and conduct research for country reports. The report will be submitted by each participant on the first day of the training.</p> <p>Advanced training:</p> <p>The two-week in-person advanced course will be organized in Geneva. The program will cover the panorama of IP issues discussed at WIPO and WTO, with an emphasis on the practical aspects relating to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP and public policy - IP and new technologies - IP and economic development - Patents - Trademarks - Copyright and related rights - Geographical indications and plant varieties - IP and public health - IP and competition policy - IP and genetic resources - Traditional knowledge and traditional cultural expressions - IP and climate change - IP and biotechnology - IP dispute resolution - IP management - IP and business, including small and medium-sized enterprises <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have completed all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Senior policymakers working on IP issues from relevant government ministries or departments and IP offices based in capital cities.
Course prerequisite	The WIPO Academy General Course on IP (DL-101). See curriculum highlights.

Format and dates	Two weeks in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passport/s (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

2. WIPO-RGNIIPM Advanced Training Course for Patent Examiners

Introduction	This course is offered by the WIPO Academy and the Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM) in India for patent examiners working in various fields of technology.
Course objectives	<p>The course enhances the technical skills and knowledge of patent examiners in using online patent search engines and equips examiners with new examination techniques to better assess patent applications and improve quality.</p> <p>By the end of the course, participants will be able to search and examine inventions in various technological fields using publicly available online tools, and assess novelty and inventive step concerning inventions in those fields.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Advanced Course on Patents:</p> <p>Selected participants must complete the Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301) prior to their participation in the face-to-face training or online course. Those who have completed DL-301 within three years prior to their selection will be exempted from retaking the course. DL-301 will be undertaken online for a period of four weeks from notification of selection. An assessment and examination will take place at the end of DL-301.</p> <p>Two weeks in-person training:</p> <p>Face-to-face training will be organized for two weeks in New Delhi, India, unless otherwise specified. The main part of the program will feature on-the-job training on search and examination. It will also include the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patentable and non-patentable subject matter, including exercises - Claims analysis, including exercises - Patent analytics - Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) system - International search report and written opinion - Patent search and examination report writing - Assessment of novelty, inventive step and industrial application, and unity of the invention - Search strategy development - Access to public and private databases - Patents in artificial intelligence <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A WIPO Academy certificate will be granted to participants who fulfil all the requirements set out in the course curriculum. Certificates will only be awarded to the participants who have completed all phases of the curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Patent examiners.
Course prerequisite	The WIPO Academy Advanced Course on Patents (DL-301). See curriculum highlights.
Format and dates	Two weeks in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passport/s (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

3. WIPO-SAKPATENTI Executive Program on Geographical Indications

Introduction	This executive program is offered by WIPO and the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI).
Course objectives	<p>This program aims to enhance the knowledge and skills of officials managing national products whose quality is linked to origin. It builds capacity to use geographical indications (GIs) as a tool for sustainable growth and development. Participants will learn about the latest developments and best practices in GIs, with a strong emphasis on practical application.</p> <p>By the end of the program, participants will be equipped to design effective policies related to GIs. They will also be able to implement new techniques and strategies to promote national products, ensuring their quality and origin are highlighted and protected.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Special session of the Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications:</p> <p>Selected participants must complete the Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302) prior to participation in the executive training. Only those who have completed DL-302 within three years prior to their selection will be exempted from retaking the course. The special session of DL-302 will take place online for a period of four weeks from notification of selection. An assessment and examination will take place at the end of this special session.</p> <p>Executive training:</p> <p>Duration is one week, in person in Tbilisi, Georgia. The program will cover several key themes, including theoretical and practical aspects, through in-depth lectures, expert-led discussions and case studies. Participants will also benefit from an on-site study visit, providing real-world insights into GIs. Key themes to be addressed include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understanding GIs - Legal protection of GIs: national and international frameworks and case studies - The Lisbon System: appellations of origin (AOs) and GIs - Enforcement, control mechanisms and infringement for GIs - Commercialization and promotion strategies for GIs - Licensing and management of GIs - Sociocultural, environmental and economic impacts of GIs - Case studies: successful examples of GIs - Trademarks vs GIs: challenges and solutions - Advancing GIs: innovations and emerging trends <p>Participants will be requested to submit and present their country reports.</p> <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have successfully completed the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Senior officials and experts from IP offices or relevant government ministries or departments working on protecting and promoting national products whose quality is linked to origin.
Course prerequisite	The WIPO Academy Advanced Course on Trademarks, Industrial Designs and Geographical Indications (DL-302). See curriculum highlights.
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

4. WIPO-CIPO Executive Program

Introduction	This executive program is offered by WIPO and the Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) for senior-level officials working in intellectual property offices (IPOs).
Course objectives	<p>The program enhances the managerial skills of senior IP officials responsible for the management of IPOs to better deliver IP services.</p> <p>By the end of the program, officials will develop a deeper understanding of the current and future challenges associated with managing IPOs, and be in a position to implement new techniques enabling their smooth running, including how to reduce backlogs, deliver qualitative services to stakeholders and introduce new services.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Executive training:</p> <p>Duration is one week, in person, in Gatineau, Québec, Canada. The main part of the program will encompass professional training and project-related discussions. Among other things, this will cover the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting the Canadian IP ecosystem - Modernization of IPOs - Modernization of information technologies (IT) at CIPO - Economic research and data analytics at CIPO, patent analytics, data visualization, reports - Equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility at CIPO - Finance, budget origin and forecasting - Strategic planning and performance measurements - Operational management - Quality management - Examiner training program <p>Identification, research and guidance on projects:</p> <p>Duration is up to 20 weeks. Participants will be requested to identify projects for research on intellectual property (IP) office management. Such projects must be endorsed by the participants' respective institutions. Each participant will conduct research on a selected theme of the project under the guidance of an assigned advisor from CIPO. The time frame for submitting the project report and its implementation plan by each participant will be up to 20 weeks after the workshop.</p> <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have completed all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Heads of IPOs and senior officials working on IP policy and administration issues from relevant government ministries or departments and IP offices.
Course prerequisite	No prerequisite.
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

5. WIPO-KIPO Training Course for Industrial Design Policy, Law and Examination

Introduction	This training course is offered jointly by WIPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Republic of Korea's International Intellectual Property Training Institute (IIPTI).
Course objectives	The course is designed to enhance the practical skills and knowledge of design examiners dealing with applications for registration. By the end of the course, participants will be able to assess new design issues in addition to procedural matters in the field of design.
Curriculum highlights	<p>The program will include the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Industrial design policy in the market and for the IP Office- Design and industrial development- Industry-specific design categories- Design search- Substantive and non-substantive examination- International treaties and the Hague agreement- Counterfeiting and designs- Trial and appeal litigation- Design protection systems at national and international levels <p>A certificate will be awarded on completion of the online course.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Design examiners and officials dealing with designs from IP offices and relevant ministries and professionals related to industrial design in the private sector.
Course prerequisite	No prerequisite.
Format and dates	One week online intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

6. WIPO-KIPO Training Course for Brand Strategy, Trademark Law and Examination

Introduction	This training course is offered jointly by WIPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Republic of Korea International Intellectual Property Training Institute (IIPTI).
Course objectives	The course is designed to enhance the practical skills and knowledge of trademark examiners dealing with applications for registration. By the end of the course, participants will be able to assess new trademark issues in addition to procedural matters in the field of trademarks.
Curriculum highlights	<p>The program will include the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brand strategy in the market - Recent developments in trademark policy - Trademark management strategy - Madrid System for international registration and examination - Non-traditional marks - Trademark and economic development - Trademark search tools - Relation of geographical indication (GI) and trademark, and their benefits for producers, and development of community, province and country - Trademark protection system at national and international levels <p>On completing the online course, a certificate will be awarded.</p>
Language of training	English
Who should enroll?	Trademark examiners and officials dealing with trademarks from IP offices and relevant ministries and professionals related to brand strategy and policy in the private sector.
Course prerequisite	No prerequisite.
Format and dates	One week online intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

7. WIPO-KIPO Training Course for Patent Strategy, Law and Examination

Introduction	This training course is offered jointly by WIPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Republic of Korea International Intellectual Property Training Institute (IIPTI).
Course objectives	The course is designed to enhance the practical skills and competence of patent examiners working in major technological fields, including biotechnology and pharmaceuticals, machinery, materials, electricity and electronics, telecommunications and business of data (BoD). By the end of the course, participants will be able to make use of publicly available online tools to search and examine inventions and judge patentability in such fields.
Curriculum highlights	<p>The program will include the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of patent system - Patentable and non-patentable subject matter - Claims analysis - Assessments of novelty, inventive step and industrial applications - Unity of the invention - Developing search strategies - Patent analytics - Patents and artificial intelligence - Utilization of search and examination results of other offices - Writing patent search and examination report - Case studies and practical exercises <p>On completing the online course, a certificate will be awarded.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Patent examiners and officials dealing with patents from intellectual property (IP) offices and relevant ministries, and professionals dealing with patent strategy and policy in the private sector.
Course prerequisite	No prerequisite.
Format and dates	One week online intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

8. WIPO-BCC Executive Program on Copyright and Related Rights

Introduction	This training course is offered jointly by WIPO in cooperation with the British Copyright Council and the Intellectual Property Office (IPO) of the United Kingdom.
Course objectives	<p>The course is designed to build participant knowledge on contemporary and emerging copyright issues from a technology and policy perspective.</p> <p>By the end of the course, participants will have a deeper understanding of current developments in copyright and related rights, and of strategies to develop appropriate responses for the practical operation of copyright for creative industries in the digital environment.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases.</p> <p>Special session of the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights:</p> <p>Selected participants must complete the Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201) prior to participating in the in-person training. Only participants who have completed DL-201 within three years prior to their selection will be exempted from retaking DL-201. The special session of DL-201 will be online and take place for a period of four weeks from notification of selection. An assessment and examination will take place at the end of this special session.</p> <p>One week in-person intensive training:</p> <p>In-person training will be organized in London over a one-week period unless otherwise specified. The program will include the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recent legislative and policy developments in copyright and related rights - Copyright law and policy in the digital environment - Disruptive technologies and their impact in the copyright and related rights ecosystem - Limitations and exceptions: balance between copyright protection and fostering creativity - Practical strategies for creators to protect their works - Regional efforts, strategies and compliance of copyright and related rights - Global digital trends and tackling solutions - Copyright and related rights management - Role of copyright offices in the creative economy: new visions and opportunities - Implications of machine learning and generative artificial intelligence - Copyright enforcement measures - Copyright for publishers, artists, performers <p>Participants will be requested to submit and present their country reports in a relevant topic.</p> <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have completed all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English
Who should enroll?	Senior officials from national copyright authorities and public-funded entities in the field of copyright in developing countries, least developed countries and countries with economies in transition.
Course prerequisite	The WIPO Academy Advanced Course on Copyright and Related Rights (DL-201). See curriculum highlights.
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

9. WIPO-CEIPI-INPI Executive Program on Intellectual Property, Technology Transfer and Licensing

Introduction	This executive program is offered jointly by WIPO and the Center for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), assisted by the French National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI), to help developing countries and countries with economies in transition.
Course objectives	<p>The course enhances the skills and knowledge of technology managers and scientists from research and development (R&D) institutions and universities in such countries in dealing with technology transfer. It equips participants with skills in intellectual property (IP) management, commercialization and licensing negotiation.</p> <p>By the end of the program, participants will be able to use different technology transfer mechanisms and marketing tools/techniques, as well as the acquired negotiation skills in IP licensing.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Advanced Course on IP Management:</p> <p>Selected participants must complete the Advanced Course on IP Management (DL-450) prior to participation in the in-person training. Only participants who have completed DL-450 within three years prior to their selection will be exempt from retaking the course. The special session of the DL-450 will take place for a period of four weeks from notification of selection. An assessment and examination will take place at the end of the special session of the DL-450 course.</p> <p>One week in-person intensive training:</p> <p>The program will include the following themes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The bridge between public research and private initiative - Open innovation and IP: a practical perspective - IP audits and due diligence - IP marketing strategies - How to set up a technology transfer office <p>Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who complete all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Officers from public technology transfer entities, including R&D institutions and universities, and from relevant ministries and public chambers of commerce.
Course prerequisite	The WIPO Academy Advanced Course on IP Management (DL-450). See curriculum highlights.
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes, endorsement letters and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

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10. WIPO-IPOS Executive Program

Introduction	<p>This executive program is offered jointly by WIPO and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS).</p> <p>This program aims to equip small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), start-ups and innovators in the ASEAN region with the essential business skills and leadership capabilities to transform ideas into tangible business value for sustainable growth.</p>
Course objectives	<p>This program is designed to build the knowledge and skills of participants on appropriate strategies to protect intangible assets and manage new ideas with confidence.</p> <p>By the end of the program, participants will be able to effectively leverage intellectual property (IP) tools and include IP in their overall business strategy to move new ideas to the market with confidence.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Phase 1: Application and selection</p> <p>Phase 2: One week in-person intensive training:</p> <p>The program will include the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP basics - IP protection - Cost and risk management - IP management and commercialization for different business models - Monetization through IP exploitation - IP valuation and financing - Tax consideration and challenges affecting IP - IP licensing and franchising - Business intelligence - IP marketing strategies - IP negotiation tactics and partnership - Building an IP strategy for the future <p>Phase 3: Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have completed all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	Entrepreneurs, SMEs, start-ups, creators, innovators and inventors, incubators, and research and development and technology transfer office (TTO) managers.
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Course fee	<p>This is a self-financed course. Participants are expected to bear their own travel and accommodation-related costs.</p> <p>WIPO provides a limited number of scholarships to cover the registration course fee for international participants. This does not include travel, accommodation and other expenses.</p>
Registration	Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/ or WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .

11. WIPO-KeNIA Executive Program

Introduction	<p>This executive program is offered jointly by WIPO and the Kenya National Innovation Agency (KeNIA).</p> <p>The program empowers participants to drive innovation-led business growth and development, and social impact in Africa.</p>
Course objectives	<p>This course is designed to enhance understanding of intellectual property (IP) fundamentals and their role in fostering innovation and economic growth, and also to equip participants with practical skills in effectively selecting, protecting, managing and commercializing IP assets in an African context.</p> <p>By the end of the program, participants will be able to integrate IP into business models, innovation processes and market strategies that can drive positive change within organizations and the broader innovation ecosystem.</p>
Curriculum highlights	<p>The curriculum comprises the following phases:</p> <p>Phase 1: Application and selection</p> <p>Phase 2: One week in-person intensive training:</p> <p>The program will include the following IP fundamentals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP management and commercialization - Cost and risk management - Boosting innovation with IP management - Building IP strategy across the IP life cycle - IP and innovation audits and due diligence - Monetization through IP exploitation - IP licensing and franchising - IP business and marketing strategies <p>Phase 3: Award of certificate:</p> <p>A certificate will be granted to participants who have completed all phases of the program curriculum.</p>
Language of training	English.
Who should enroll?	<p>The program is designed to cater to a diverse and influential target audience comprising:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Entrepreneurs, start-ups and incubators in Africa - R&D and technology transfer office (TTO) staff - Academic and research communities, including professors, researchers and scholars from universities and research institutions - Representatives from industry associations, chambers of commerce and trade organizations - Legal and IP professionals - Innovation ecosystem enablers, including organizations and initiatives dedicated to supporting innovation and entrepreneurship
Format and dates	One week in-person intensive training.
Course fee	<p>This is self-financed course. Participants are expected to bear their own travel and accommodation-related costs.</p> <p>WIPO provides a limited number of scholarships in respect of the course fee. This does not include travel, accommodation and other expenses.</p>
Registration	<p>Applications must be submitted online with updated resumes and copies of passports (or other means of identification) through the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/academy/en/courses/executive_training/, WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ or KeNIA website at https://academy.kenia.go.ke.</p>

ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS PROGRAM

University Partnerships and Joint Master's Degree Programs on Intellectual Property

The WIPO Academy's Academic Institutions Program offers 17 joint master's degree programs on intellectual property (IP) in partnership with universities and, in some instances, subregional or national IP administrations in Africa, Asia, the Arab region, Europe and Latin America. The curricula for these programs, typically running from 12 to 18 months, are developed jointly by the WIPO Academy and relevant partner institutions.

The following joint master's degree programs will be organized in 2025/26:

1. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the University of Turin, the Turin School of Management (SAA) and the Consortium for Research and Permanent Education (COREP), in Turin, Italy.
2. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and Africa University, in Mutare, Zimbabwe.
3. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) and the University of Yaoundé II (UY II), in Yaoundé, Cameroon.
4. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property with a Specialization in Patent Law and Design Law, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office and Ankara University, in Ankara, Türkiye.
5. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP) with a Specialization in Industrial Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Tongji University, in Shanghai, China.
6. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation (MIPI), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) of Argentina and the University of San Andrés, in Buenos Aires, Argentina.
7. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and New Technologies (MIP and New Technologies), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland and Jagiellonian University, in Krakow, Poland.
8. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Development Policy (MIPD), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism (MCST) of the Republic of Korea, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Korea Development Institute School of Public Policy and Management (KDI School), in Sejong, Republic of Korea.
9. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Digital Law and Intellectual Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and IE University, in Madrid, Spain.

10. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation Management (MIPIM), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS), in Singapore.
11. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer (MIPTT), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria (BPO) and Sofia University, in Sofia, Bulgaria.
12. Master of Laws (LL.M.)/Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Management (MIPM), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks of India and the National Law University Delhi (NLUD), in New Delhi, India.
13. Master's Degree Program in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Tsinghua University, in Beijing, China.
14. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property and Business Law, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan and Maqsut Narikbayev University (MNU), in Astana, Kazakhstan (new).
15. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property, Entrepreneurship and Innovation (MIPEI), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) and Umm Al Qura University (UQU), in Mecca, Saudi Arabia (new).
16. Executive Master's Degree Program in Intellectual Property and Innovation (MIPEI), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Moroccan Ministry of Trade and Industry, the Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC) and Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique (UM6P), in Ben Guerir, Morocco (new).
17. Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Public Policy and Human Development with a Specialization in Governance of Innovation, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and the United Nations University – Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology (UNU-MERIT), in Maastricht, the Netherlands (new).

The aim of these joint master's degree programs is to facilitate access to higher education on IP for all qualified individuals. A limited number of scholarships is available for qualified nationals of developing countries, least developed countries (LDCs) and countries with economies in transition, those working for relevant public sector institutions, including universities and R&D institutions, and small and medium-sized enterprises. Interested candidates admitted to a program but not qualifying or selected for a scholarship must finance their own tuition, accommodation and travel costs.

The residential phases of these programs are held in person but subject to prevailing public health conditions. When not permitted by such conditions, every effort will be made to offer the phases online.

The WIPO Academy also provides support to universities and teaching institutions seeking to offer IP higher education in developing countries, LDCs and countries with economies in transition. Such support will be available mainly for curriculum development, supply of IP textbooks and reference materials, and guest lecturers.

Other support offered to IP teachers, academics and researchers by the WIPO Academy includes the Colloquium for Teachers of Intellectual Property, jointly organized with the World Trade Organization in Geneva, and the Regional WIPO-WTO Colloquia for IP teachers in Africa and Asia. The Academy also offers conferences on IP and innovation for IP researchers in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

1. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the University of Turin, the Turin School of Management (SAA) and the Consortium for Research and Permanent Education (COREP), in Turin, Italy

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intellectual property (IP) and international law - IP and economics - Patents and trade secrets - Copyright and related rights - Trademarks, geographical indications and domain names - Industrial designs - Unfair competition and antitrust law - IP management - IP managerial and entrepreneurial skills - Technology transfer - IP and small and medium-sized enterprises - IP enforcement - Skills-building practical training - Annual conference - Study visit to WIPO - Research project
Language of instruction	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold a bachelor's degree in law, economics, engineering, medicine, physics, chemistry, communication sciences or business administration, with a minimum university attendance of three years in one or more of the above fields; and - be fluent in English, assessed through a recognized English proficiency test.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 40 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and University of Turin websites at www.wipo.int/academy and http://www.turin-ip.com .
Venue	Turin, Italy.
Registration	January to July 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - September to December 2025: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination, through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/. - February to May 2026: residential phase in Turin, including three-day visit to WIPO headquarters in Geneva. - May to July 2026: preparation and submission of a final research paper.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Laws (LL.M) Degree in Intellectual Property by the University of Turin on behalf of WIPO, SAA and COREP.
Teachers	Classes are taught by eminent academics from the University of Turin, visiting lecturers from other leading universities and highly reputed IP professionals and staff from co-organizers, including WIPO.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and University of Turin websites for details and updated information, at www.wipo.int/academy and http://www.turin-ip.com .

2. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) and Africa University, in Mutare, Zimbabwe

This program is organized with financial assistance from the Government of Japan.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patents, utility models and new technologies - Patent drafting - Industrial designs - Trademarks - Geographical indications and unfair competition - Copyright and related rights - Intellectual property (IP) and public health, food security and biotechnology - Traditional knowledge, folklore and genetic resources - IP asset management, strategic planning, technology transfer, licensing and artificial intelligence - Innovation and entrepreneurship - New IP rights - IP and small and medium-sized enterprises and large enterprises - Enforcement of IP rights - Skills-building practical sessions at ARIPO - Annual conference - Dissertation research and writing
Language of instruction	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a lower second-class bachelor's degree in any discipline from a recognized university; - have a minimum of two years of work experience after graduating with their first degree; - be fluent in English with proof of proficiency; and - have successfully completed the WIPO General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101).
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 40 self-supported and financed students
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the websites of the WIPO Academy, ARIPO and Africa University at www.wipo.int/academy , www.aripo.org and www.africau.edu .
Venue	Mutare, Zimbabwe.
Registration	November 2024 to February 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - May to July 2025: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination, through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/. - August to December 2025: residential phase in Mutare, including a two-week skills-building practical training session and an annual IP conference at ARIPO headquarters in Harare, Zimbabwe. - December 2025 to April 2026: finalization and submission of a dissertation.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP) by Africa University on behalf of WIPO and ARIPO.

Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from Africa University, ARIPO, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from the co-organizers, including WIPO.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy, ARIPO and Africa University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy , www.aripo.org and www.africau.edu .

3. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI) and the University of Yaoundé II (UY II), in Yaoundé, Cameroon

This program is organized with financial assistance from the Government of Japan.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General introduction to intellectual property (IP) - Regional and national IP - Technical and ornamental creations - Patents - Utility models - Industrial designs - Special titles (plant varieties, topographies of integrated circuits) - Trademarks for goods and services - Trade names - Appellations of origin - Geographical indications - Literary and artistic property - Copyright and related rights - Electronic commerce and copyright - Defense of IP rights - Competition and IP - IP disputes - Skill development training at OAPI - IP and technology transfer - IP audit - Economics of IP - Current IP issues - Dissertation
Language of tuition	French.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - be nationals of an African country; - hold at least a bachelor's degree in law, economics or sciences, or an engineering diploma issued by a recognized university; and - be fluent in French.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 40 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy, OAPI and University of Yaoundé websites at www.wipo.int/academy , www.oapi.int and www.universite-yde2.org .
Venue	Yaoundé, Cameroon.
Registration	March to August 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October to December 2025: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/. - January to June 2026: residential phase at the University of Yaoundé II and the OAPI Denis Ekani Intellectual Property Academy in Cameroon, including three weeks of practical work at OAPI headquarters in Yaoundé. - June 2026: examination and submission of a dissertation (<i>mémoire</i>) in Yaoundé.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property by the University of Yaoundé on behalf of WIPO and OAPI.

Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from the University of Yaoundé, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from the co-organizers, including WIPO.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy, OAPI and University of Yaoundé websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy , www.oapi.int and www.universite-yde2.org .

4. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property with a Specialization in Patent Law and Design Law, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office and Ankara University, in Ankara, Türkiye

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Türkiye through the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TÜRKPATENT).

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Patents - Trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications - Patent drafting - Introduction to intellectual property (IP) and research methodology: interdisciplinary approaches - Advanced patent law: substantive and procedural - Advanced design law: substantive and procedural - Advanced trademarks: substantive and procedural - Geographical indications and traditional knowledge - Commercialization, valuation of IP and IP business - International copyright law - Practical training - Research project and thesis
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold a bachelor's degree from a recognized university (open to all disciplines); - provide a transcript with a minimum grade point average of 2.00/4.00; and - be fluent in English with proof of proficiency.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 25 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships (to be confirmed)	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms will be available on the WIPO Academy and Ankara University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and http://fisaum.ankara.edu.tr/en .
Venue	Ankara, Türkiye.
Registration	February to May 2025.
Dates	<p>Academic year September 2025 to June 2026:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - September to December 2025: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/. - February to June 2026: residential phase at Ankara University in Ankara, which includes a practical training at TÜRKPATENT, Türkiye. - May to June 2026: preparation and submission of a final research paper during the residential phase at Ankara University.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Laws Degree in Intellectual Property with a Specialization in Patent Law and Design Law by Ankara University on behalf of WIPO and TÜRKPATENT.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from Ankara University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from the co-organizers.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and Ankara University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and http://fisaum.ankara.edu.tr/en .

5. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property (MIP) with a Specialization in Industrial Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Tongji University in Shanghai, China

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of China.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to intellectual property (IP) law and economics - IP and innovation policy - Patent law - Design law and innovation - Trademark law and geographical indications - Copyright and related rights - IP and business strategy - Competition policy and law - IP in the digital economy - IP in biomedicine - IP intelligence - IP asset management - International IP law - Practical skills development training - Moot court and study visits - Annual conference - Thesis
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree from a recognized university; - one year of work experience; - provide proof of English proficiency (IELTS or TOEFL); and - have passed CET-6 (Chinese students only).
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 40 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and Tongji University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.tongji.edu.cn/english .
Venue	Shanghai, China.
Registration	December 2024 to February 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fully residential: September 2025 to July 2026. - Finalization of research paper/project: August to December 2026.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property with a Specialization in Industrial Property by Tongji University on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from Tongji University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from WIPO and the other co-organizers.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and Tongji University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.tongji.edu.cn/english .

6. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation (MIPI), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) of Argentina and the University of San Andrés, in Buenos Aires, Argentina

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Argentina through INPI Argentina.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General introduction to intellectual property (IP) - IP management - International aspects of IP - Author's rights (<i>derecho de autor</i>) and copyright, including IP in the creative industries - Patent law - Technology transfer - Trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications - IP valuation - Internet policies and governance - Media law: legal aspects of the web - IP for entrepreneurs - Management of IP rights: open innovation - IP in health and agricultural innovation - National and business strategies on IP and innovation policy for developing Latin America - Skills development training at INPI Argentina - Writing and submission of the final research paper
Language of tuition	Spanish.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree from a recognized university; - be fluent in Spanish; and - have a good knowledge of English.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 30 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - registration and tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and University of San Andrés websites at www.wipo.int/academy and http://www.udesa.edu.ar .
Venue	Buenos Aires, Argentina.
Registration	July to October 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - February to March 2026: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination, through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/. - April to October 2026: residential phase at the University of San Andrés and INPI in Buenos Aires.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation by the University of San Andrés on behalf of WIPO and INPI.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from the University of San Andrés, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and the staff of WIPO and INPI.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and University of San Andrés websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and http://www.udesa.edu.ar .

7. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and New Technologies (MIP and New Technologies), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Patent Office of Poland and Jagiellonian University, in Krakow, Poland

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Poland through the Patent Office of Poland.

Subjects covered	<p>Studies will focus on the challenges for intellectual property (IP) law brought by new technologies, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to IP including European Union law, new technologies, ethical, social and legal perspectives, trademarks and allied rights, industrial designs and geographical indications, copyright and related rights, and patent law - New technologies and patent law - Copyright and related rights in the digital age - Trademarks, geographical indications, designs, trade secrets and unfair competition - New technologies and media law - New technologies: ethical, social and legal perspectives - Data protection, privacy and personal rights on the Internet - Digital libraries - Internet service provider liability - IP protection of software, databases and computer games - IP contracts - Technology transfer and commercialization of IP - Arbitration and mediation in IP matters - International aspects of IP - Enforcement of IP rights - Study visit with skills development training at the Patent Office of the Republic of Poland - Writing and submission of dissertation/thesis or seminar and internship
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold a bachelor's degree in law, economics, business administration or related fields from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English, which will be assessed through a recognized proficiency test.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 50 self-supported and financed students.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and Jagiellonian University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.ipwi.uj.edu.pl/index.php?lang=en .
Venue	Krakow, Poland.
Registration	March to June 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October 2025 to January 2026: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination, through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/, and the Jagiellonian University eLearning platform. - February to June 2026: residential phase at Jagiellonian University, including a study visit with practical training to the Patent Office of Poland in Warsaw. - October to February 2027: dissertation/thesis/master's seminar and internship.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and New Technologies by the Jagiellonian University on behalf of WIPO and the Patent Office of Poland.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from the Jagiellonian University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from WIPO and the Patent Office of Poland.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and Jagiellonian University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.ipwi.uj.edu.pl/index.php?lang=en .

8. Master’s Degree in Intellectual Property and Development Policy (MIPD), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism (MCST) of the Republic of Korea, the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO) and the Korea Development Institute School of Public Policy and Management (KDI School), in Sejong, Republic of Korea

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Republic of Korea through KIPO and with the support of the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism (MCST).

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General introduction to intellectual property (IP) - Introduction to development policy - International IP law and development policy - Copyright and related rights - Analysis of market and public policy - Language of public policy and management - Quantitative methods of research - Trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications - Patents and innovation - Trade and development - IP, emerging issues and sustainable development - IP management and practice - Korean economic development - Supervised research project - Skills development training at KIPO - Writing and submission of final research paper
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor’s degree from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 30 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and KDI School websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.kdischool.ac.kr .
Venue	Sejong, Republic of Korea.
Registration	June to September 2025.
Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - January 2026: compulsory IP eLearning phase, including a final examination, through the WIPO Academy eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/). - February to December 2026: residential phase at KDI School in Sejong and practical training at KIPO in Daejeon, Republic of Korea.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master’s Degree in Intellectual Property and Development Policy by the KDI School on behalf of WIPO, MCST and KIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from the KDI School, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals and staff from WIPO and KIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and KDI School websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.kdischool.ac.kr/ .

9. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Digital Law and Intellectual Property, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and IE University, in Madrid, Spain

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International intellectual property (IP) law - Data protection - Copyright law - Trademark law - Geographical indications - Industrial design - Cybersecurity - Patent law - Artificial intelligence regulation - Content regulation - Technology law - Enforcement of IP rights - Research project
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 15 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships are available to cover partial tuition fees for qualified students from developing countries, least developed countries and countries with economies in transition.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and IE University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.ie.edu .
Venue	Madrid, Spain.
Registration	To be announced in 2025.
Dates	September 2026 to June 2027 (fully residential at IE University).
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Laws Degree in Digital Law and Intellectual Property by IE University on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from IE University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and IE University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.ie.edu .

10. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation Management (MIPIM), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Singapore University of Social Sciences (SUSS), Singapore

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General course on intellectual property (IP) - Copyright and related rights - Patents - Trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications - IP asset management - IP and business strategy - IP in the global context - IP intelligence - Licensing IP - Commercializing innovation - Applied research projects <p>Electives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP in the ASEAN context - Contemporary topics in technology and business - IP law in China - Monetizing innovation: Valuation - Patent information and search - Patent analytics and IP governance
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 15 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships are available to cover partial tuition fees, accommodation and medical insurance for qualified students from developing countries, least developed countries and countries with economies in transition.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and SUSS websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.suss.edu.sg .
Venue	Singapore.
Registration	March to April 2025.
Dates	August 2025 to April 2026.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Intellectual Property and Innovation Management Degree by SUSS on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from SUSS, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and SUSS websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.suss.edu.sg .

11. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer (MIPTT), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria (BPO) and Sofia University, in Sofia, Bulgaria

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Bulgaria through the Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria (BPO).

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to the intellectual property (IP) system - Patents and innovation - Patent intelligence for technology transfer and innovation - Developing IP strategy - Trademarks and industrial design management - Technology transfer and license trade - IP commercialization and unfair competition - IP enforcement - Copyright in the digital age - Innovation management in the organization - Artificial intelligence - Entrepreneurship and innovation - Top tools for business management - Practical skills training - Research project - thesis
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 20 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships are available to cover partial tuition fees for qualified students from developing countries, least developed countries and countries with economies in transition.</p> <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and Sofia University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.uni-sofia.bg .
Venue	Sofia, Bulgaria.
Registration	July to August 2025.
Dates	October 2026 to June 2027.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Technology Transfer (MIPTT) by Sofia University on behalf of WIPO and BPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from Sofia University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO and BPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and Sofia University websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.uni-sofia.bg .

12. Master of Laws (LL.M.)/Master’s Degree in Intellectual Property and Management (MIPM), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Office of the Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trade Marks of India, and the National Law University Delhi (NLU), in New Delhi, India

This program is offered in a dual track mode, with students from a law background following the LL.M. track and those with a non-law background the master’s degree track.

Subjects covered	<p>Compulsory courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Legal research methodology and research methods – focus on research methods in intellectual property (IP) law/social sciences - Comparative public law systems/introduction to law and legal systems - Law and justice in a globalizing world/international IP and public policy <p>Core specialization courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General principles of IP law - General principles of strategy and management of IP <p>Optional courses (electives):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP and innovation – focus on patents, plant variety protection, semiconductor protection and industrial designs - IP and creative industries – focus on copyright and neighboring rights - IP and brand protection – focus on trademarks, geographical indications - IP variants – focus on trade secrets, test/regulatory data, data protection, unfair competition - IP licensing and contract management - IP monetization and valuation - IP and frontier technologies – artificial intelligence, metaverse and critical/emerging technologies - Strategic IP management - IP economics, innovation and new business models - Advanced IP acquisition - IP commercialization and transfer of technology for technology transfer offices - IP examination, office administration and management - IP and competition law/policy - IP and regulation - IP remedies/enforcement and dispute resolution management - IP intelligence and analytics - Dissertation research project
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor’s degree in law or other disciplines from a recognized university; - be fluent in English; and - pass the entrance exam, interview and group discussion (for domestic students) or a group discussion and personal interview (for international students).
Maximum number of students	Limited to 50 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships are available to cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and NLU websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.nludelhi.ac.in .
Venue	New Delhi, India.
Registration	August to November 2024 for Indian nationals, and August 2024 to April 2025 for foreign nationals.
Dates	August 2025 to July 2026.

Award	Successful students will be awarded an LL.M./Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Management by NLUD on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from NLUD, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and NLUD websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.nludelhi.ac.in .

13. Master's Degree Program in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and Tsinghua University, in Beijing, China

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basic Chinese language - Introduction to China - Chinese legal history - Selected topics in civil law: property, contracts and torts - Intellectual property (IP) and creative industries: selected topics in copyright law - IP and research methodology: selected topics in IP law, faculty-led reading group - IP management and licensing - International IP law: international IP treaties - Patent prosecution and litigation: patent agency - Internet regulation: Internet governance - Comparative patent law - Comparative copyright law - Advanced topics on law and technology - Technological innovation and IP: selected topics in patent law - Trademark and branding: trademark law and anti-unfair competition - Innovation economics and policy - Trade secrets law - IP law in cyberspace - IP and antitrust, including standard-setting and SEP licensing - Data and artificial intelligence (AI) governance - IP and public health - Advanced topics on IP: selected topics on comparative IP law, AI, finance, tech and others - Comparative trademark law - International e-commerce law - Degree paper: research component
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold at least a bachelor's degree in law or other disciplines from a recognized university; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	To be decided.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and Tsinghua University websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/ .
Venue	Beijing, China.
Registration	January 2025 to May 2025.
Dates	September 2025 to July 2026.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation Policy by Tsinghua University on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from Tsinghua University, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and Tsinghua University websites for details and updated information, at www.wipo.int/academy or www.tsinghua.edu.cn/en/ .

14. Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property and Business Law, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Ministry of Science and Higher Education of the Republic of Kazakhstan and Maqсут Narikbayev University (MNU), in Astana, Kazakhstan (new)

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Kazakhstan through the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intellectual property (IP) and business law - Postgraduate legal research skills - Copyright and related rights - Trademarks, industrial designs and geographical indications - Patent law and policy - IP in the Eurasian context - International business law - IP asset management and strategy in business - Patent information and IP governance - Licensing IP and commercializing innovation - IP enforcement - Internship - Research work - Dissertation - Practical training
Language of tuition	English and Russian.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hold a bachelor's degree in law or a related subject. Those who do not possess law degrees may be required to undertake additional law modules on campus. - Provide proof of English proficiency, such as an IELTS score of 6.0 or its equivalent. Applicants from countries where English is one of the official languages are exempt from this language requirement.
Maximum number of students	A total of 20 self-supported and financed students.
Scholarships	<p>A limited number of scholarships are available to cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - tuition fees; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Successful applicants for WIPO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and subsequently provided with relevant information.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and MNU websites at www.wipo.int/academy and https://mnu.kz/ .
Venue	Astana, Kazakhstan.
Registration	May to August 2025.
Dates	September 2025 to June 2026.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property and Business Law by MNU on behalf of WIPO, the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Science and Higher Education.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from MNU, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO, the Ministry of Justice and the National Institute of Intellectual Property of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and MNU websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and https://mnu.kz/ .

15. Master's Degree in Intellectual Property, Entrepreneurship and Innovation (MIPEI), offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) and Umm Al Qura University (UQU), in Mecca, Saudi Arabia (new)

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Saudi Arabia through SAIP.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intellectual property (IP) policies and protection - Patents and competition law - Legal professionalism and ethics - Managing innovation: from plan to product - Patent licensing, technology transfer, IP valuation and dispute resolution - Trademarks, geographical indications and industrial design law and practice - Copyright and related rights law - Entrepreneurship from A to Z - Independent study seminar: research project - IP management - Practical skills training - Research project
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - high academic performance with a GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or 3.75 (on a 5.0 scale) at undergraduate level from an accredited college or university; - minimum of one year of relevant managerial work experience considered favorable; - demonstrated personal commitment and proven community service; and - fluency in English to the following levels: TOFEL iBT, 78; TOFEL ITP, 550; or IELTS academic, 6. <p>Accepted candidates will be asked to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - attested copy of their undergraduate degree, including transcripts; - two recommendation letters from employers and/or influential members from their network; - updated resume; - letter of intent (personal statement); and - English fluency test scores.
Maximum number of students	Limited to a total of 50 students.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and UQU websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.uqu.edu.sa .
Venue	Mecca, Saudi Arabia.
Registration	To be announced in 2025.
Dates	To be announced in 2025.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master's Degree in Intellectual Property, Entrepreneurship and Innovation (MIPEI) by UQU on behalf of WIPO and SAIP.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from UQU, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO and the Government of Saudi Arabia.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and UQU websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.uqu.edu.sa .

16. Executive Master’s Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy, the Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC), the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Kingdom of Morocco, and Université Mohammed VI Polytechnique (UM6P), in Ben Guerir, Morocco (new)

This program is organized in cooperation with the Government of Morocco through OMPIC and the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction to intellectual property (IP) - Patents and innovation - Trademarks, designs and models - Copyright - Data analytics and patents information - Introduction to technology transfer - IP management - IP strategies for business - IP and competition law - Technology transfer management process - Technological and economic feasibility study - Innovation economics and policy - IP assessment in life sciences and physical sciences - IP and entrepreneurship: start-ups, spin-offs and others - Academic industrial collaboration in IP - IP as a tool for innovation strategy - IP valuation
Languages of tuition	Courses are delivered in French, with the exception of a few courses offered in English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants must have: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - master’s degree at least in a relevant field such as engineering, business, law, science or technology; - preferably at least two to three years’ professional experience demonstrating leadership and success in their respective fields; - professional experience in a field closely related to innovation, research, creation or the protection of intangible assets; - fluency in French; and - an intermediate level at least of English proficiency.
Maximum number of students	Limited to 25 students.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and UM6P websites at www.wipo.int/academy and www.um6p.ma .
Venue	Ben Guerir, Morocco.
Registration	To be announced in 2025.
Dates	To be announced in 2025.
Award	Successful students will be awarded an Executive Master’s Degree in Intellectual Property and Innovation by UM6P on behalf of WIPO, OMPIC and the Ministry of Industry and Trade.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from UM6P and OMPIC, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from the co-organizers.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and UM6P websites for more details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy , https://exed.um6p.ma/fr and www.um6p.ma .

17. Master of Science (M. Sc.) in Public Policy and Human Development with a Specialization in Governance of Innovation, offered jointly by the WIPO Academy and the United Nations University–Maastricht Economic and Social Research Institute on Innovation and Technology (UNU-MERIT), in Maastricht, Netherlands (new)

Subjects covered	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Public policy - Public economics - Public policy analysis - Methods of policy analysis - Advanced methods for policy – relevant research and analysis - Thesis track <p>Main topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Innovation and innovation policy from a system perspective - Local knowledge, systems and policy - Managing the Fourth Industrial Revolution - Innovation for sustainability
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	<p>To be considered, applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold a bachelor's degree in a related subject; and - provide proof of English proficiency, such as an IELTS score of 6.5 or its equivalent. Native English speakers, European Union citizens or applicants who have completed a bachelor's degree program in English are exempt from this language requirement. <p>For additional admission requirement details, please visit the UNU-MERIT website.</p>
Maximum number of students	To be determined.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and the UNU-MERIT websites at www.wipo.int/academy and https://unu.edu/merit .
Venue	Maastricht, Netherlands.
Registration	October 2024 to May 2025.
Dates	September 2025 to June 2026.
Award	Successful students will be awarded a Master of Science (M. Sc.) in Public Policy and Human Development with a Specialization in Governance of Innovation. Graduates will be granted two degrees; one from United Nations University, and another from Maastricht University on behalf of WIPO.
Teachers	Classes are delivered by eminent academics from UNU-MERIT, visiting lecturers from other leading universities, highly reputed IP professionals, IP experts and staff from WIPO.
More information	Applicants should visit the WIPO Academy and UNU-MERIT websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and https://unu.edu/merit .

Other Academic Partnerships and Colloquia for Intellectual Property Teachers and Researchers

1. IP and Innovation Researchers of Asia (IPIRA) Conference: April 4 to 6, 2025, in Tokyo, Japan

The IPIRA Conference is jointly organized by the WIPO Academy, the World Trade Organization (WTO) and Waseda University Faculty of Law, along with the International Islamic University Malaysia, Universitas Indonesia, Nanyang Technological University, Foreign Trade University, Texas A&M University and University of Geneva.

Content	The conference provides a forum for IP scholars, researchers and IP academics from Asia and elsewhere to discuss and share new ideas about IP and innovation.
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold an advanced degree and have teaching experience in IP law, innovation, international law, economics or management, with a specialization in IP; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	A total of 200 places are available.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and IPIRA websites.
Venue	Tokyo, Japan.
Registration	October to December 2024.
Dates	April 4 to 6, 2025.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and IPIRA websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and http://ipresearchersasia.org/ .

2. IP Researchers Europe (IPRE) Conference: June 2025, in Geneva, Switzerland

The IPRE Conference is jointly organized by the WIPO Academy, the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the University of Geneva.

Content	The conference provides a forum for IP academics, teachers and researchers to present their works-in-progress, receive feedback and network with peers and policymakers.
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold an advanced degree and have teaching experience in IP law, international law, economics or management, with a specialization in IP; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	A total of 100 places are available.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and University of Geneva websites.
Venue	Geneva, Switzerland.
Registration	February to March 2025.
Dates	June 17 to 20, 2025.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and University of Geneva websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and www.unige.ch .

3. Intellectual Property and Innovation for Latin America (IPILA) Conference: October 2025, in Buenos Aires, Argentina

The IPILA Conference is jointly organized by the WIPO Academy, the World Trade Organization (WTO) and the Centre of IP and Innovation (CPINN) at the University of San Andrés (UdeSA).

Content	This regional conference provides a forum for academic discussions on intellectual property (IP) and innovation, bringing together scholars, researchers and IP academics. It also serves as a platform to explore perspectives from both Latin America and the global community.
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold an advanced degree and have teaching experience in IP law, innovation, international law, economics or management, with a specialization in IP; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	A total of 50 places are available.
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and University of San Andrés websites.
Venue	Buenos Aires, Argentina.
Registration	March to August 2025.
Dates	October 2025.
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and University of San Andrés websites for details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and http://www.udes.edu.ar .

4. WIPO-WTO Colloquium for Teachers of Intellectual Property: February 3 to 14, 2025, in Geneva, Switzerland

This colloquium is jointly organized by the WIPO Academy and the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva.

Content	The colloquium focuses on a different range of specialized intellectual property (IP) topics each year. Participants are expected to discuss case studies and relevant teaching experiences relevant to those topics as well as teaching methodologies. The program will include visits to the WIPO and WTO libraries and meetings with WIPO and WTO officials.
Language of tuition	English.
Admission requirements	To be considered, applicants should: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - hold an advanced degree and have teaching experience in IP law, international law, economics or management, with a specialization in IP; and - be fluent in English.
Maximum number of students	A total of 30 places are available.
Scholarships (to be confirmed)	A limited number of scholarships are available from WIPO and WTO to cover: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - return travel; - any fees related to the colloquium; - full board and lodging; and - medical insurance. <p>Any visa costs are borne by participants. Successful applicants for the WIPO and WTO scholarships are notified by the WIPO Academy and the WTO Intellectual Property Division and subsequently provided with relevant information, including travel arrangements.</p>
Application forms	Application forms are available on the WIPO Academy and WTO websites.
Venue	Geneva, Switzerland.
Registration	October to November 2024.
Dates	February 3 to 14, 2025 (two weeks).
More information	Visit the WIPO Academy and WTO websites for more details and updated information at www.wipo.int/academy and https://www.wto.org/ .

WIPO SUMMER SCHOOLS PROGRAM

General Information on WIPO Summer Schools

WIPO Summer Schools provide an opportunity for young professionals and university students to acquire a deeper knowledge of intellectual property (IP), including an understanding of IP as a tool for economic, social, cultural and technological development.

All summer school programs have a common curriculum, with several giving particular emphasis to specific IP issues such as technology transfer. They also share the same format and duration. Participants are introduced to aspects of IP, including the international nature of IP protection and the interface between IP and other policy areas. The program takes an interdisciplinary, problem-oriented approach and includes lectures, simulation exercises, group discussions on selected IP topics, panel discussions and case studies.

Content and structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WIPO and its role in promoting creativity and innovation - Selected contemporary issues in the field of trademarks - International and regional trademark systems - Geographical indications: the international landscape and current issues - Design protection and its interface with other intellectual property (IP) fields - Internet domain names and alternative dispute resolution, including an illustration of cases - Trademarks and the Internet: issues and challenges - Branding – a case study - International and regional patent systems - Selected contemporary issues in the field of patents - The use of patent information - Protection of trade secrets: current issues - Selected cases on patents and biotechnology - International protection of copyright and related rights - Selected contemporary issues in the field of copyright and related rights - Limitations and exceptions of copyright, including access to copyright works for visually impaired people - Unfair competition and IP - Economics of IP - IP management: a practical approach - IP valuation - Transfer of technology and licensing - Simulation exercises on licensing negotiations - Creative industries and IP: copyright licensing - Protection of new plant varieties, including the International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants (UPOV Convention) - IP and biodiversity: international landscape and current issues - Panel discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IP and public health: issues and challenges - IP, green technology and climate change: issues and challenges - Selected cases on enforcement of IP rights - Group discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technology transfer in the field of IP - Copyright in the digital age - Open innovation - Brands and branding
Language of tuition	Different languages of instruction will be used in the various summer schools (see following table, WIPO Summer Schools in 2025).
Eligibility	International in nature, the program is intended primarily for young professionals and postgraduate and graduate students from all academic disciplines.
IP eLearning	Candidates for most of the summer schools will be required to successfully complete a session of the General Course on Intellectual Property (DL-101). Dates for that session and a course for the specialized summer schools will be announced.
Registration fees	Please see relevant information on the WIPO Academy's website at https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/summer-schools/index .
Travel, accommodation and living expenses	Participants are responsible for their own travel, accommodation and living expenses during the program.
Scholarships	A limited number of scholarships are available for international participants in the programs in Republic of Korea and South Africa. They are offered by the governments of Republic of Korea and Japan, respectively, and cover travel costs. Limited scholarships are also available for Switzerland's summer school program. Details will be available on the WIPO Academy website at https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/summer-schools/index .
Award	Participants who successfully complete and meet the requirements of summer school programs will be awarded a certificate of participation.
Further details	For more on summer schools, visit the website at https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/summer-schools/index .

WIPO Summer Schools in 2025[†]

Summer school	Language	Venue and date
1. WIPO-Belarus Summer School on Intellectual Property	Russian	To be announced
2. WIPO-Brazil Summer School on Intellectual Property	Portuguese	To be announced
3. WIPO-Chile Summer School on Intellectual Property	Spanish	Santiago, March 17 to 28
4. WIPO-Colombia Summer School on Intellectual Property	Spanish	To be announced
5. WIPO-East China University of Political Science and Law Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
6. WIPO-Egypt Summer School on Intellectual Property	Arabic	To be announced
7. WIPO-Ghana Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
8. WIPO-India Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	Delhi, March 17 to 28
9. WIPO-Kazakhstan Summer School on Intellectual Property	Russian	To be announced
10. WIPO-Mexico Summer School on Intellectual Property	Spanish	To be announced
11. WIPO-Nanjing University of Science and Technology (China) Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
12. WIPO-Oman Summer School on Intellectual Property	Arabic	To be announced
13. WIPO-Philippines Summer School on Intellectual Property in Emerging Economies	English	To be announced
14. WIPO-Renmin University of China Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
15. WIPO-Republic of Korea Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
16. WIPO-Sichuan University (China) Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced
17. WIPO-South Africa Advanced Summer School on Intellectual Property and Transfer of Technology	English	Durban, November 24 to December 5
18. WIPO-Southwest University of Political Science and Law Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced

[†] For updates on dates, registration deadlines and fees, see the WIPO Academy website at <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/summer-schools/index>.

Summer school	Language	Venue and date
19. WIPO-Spain Summer School on Intellectual Property	Spanish	To be announced
20. WIPO-University of Bournemouth (UK) Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	Online, May 6 to 16
21. WIPO-University of Geneva (UNIGE, Switzerland) Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	Geneva, June 16 to 27
22. WIPO-USA Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	Online, June 2 to 13
23. WIPO-Zhongnan University of Economics and Law (China) Summer School on Intellectual Property	English	To be announced

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY TRAINING INSTITUTIONS (IPTIs) PROGRAM

General Information About the IPTIs Program

The WIPO Academy helps Member States set up Intellectual Property Training Institutions (IPTIs) and meet their local intellectual property (IP) training and skills-building needs in a scalable, cost-effective way.

This tailor-made sustainable model of capacity-building empowers beneficiaries on the ground with the IP knowledge and skills to leverage their creativity and innovation for socioeconomic development.

By 2024, 26 IPTIs had been established with the support of the WIPO Academy in Azerbaijan, Chile, Colombia (with the copyright and industrial property offices), Costa Rica, Dominican Republic (with the copyright and industrial property offices), Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Georgia, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Pakistan, Peru, Saudi Arabia, Syrian Arab Republic, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Türkiye (with the copyright and industrial property offices), Ukraine and Viet Nam, as well as two regional institutions with the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) for the ASEAN region and the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) for the African region. Up to 2024, IPTIs offered 10,450 training programs and activities for more than 675,000 beneficiaries.

Once established, the WIPO Academy continues assisting IPTIs in implementing capacity-building, particularly in addressing the needs of groups that have been historically underrepresented in the IP ecosystem, such as entrepreneurs, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), women, youth and indigenous communities. In 2024, 39 initiatives were jointly implemented by the WIPO Academy and the established IPTIs.

IPTIs continue to play an important role in delivering training to beneficiaries from a range of key national and regional economic sectors, including technology, manufacturing, tourism, gastronomy, legal services, advertising, agribusiness, music and audiovisual arts, handicrafts and natural cosmetics. The training courses offered emphasize practical IP skills and cover a range of topics, including trademarks, patents, copyright and related rights, industrial designs, and IP management and commercialization.

Additionally, the IPTIs program now provides the public with access to a free course that was produced based on insights and knowledge gained while setting up new institutions.

The IPTIs event calendar contains up-to-date information on the training courses offered and is open to consultation at <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/ip-training-institutions/events>.

You can also navigate our map to locate IPTIs and learn more about our network of partners, and access contact information and links to their websites at <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/wipo-academy/programs/ip-training-institutions/network>.

1. Intellectual Property Training Strategies (IPTI-001)

Description	This course equips intellectual property (IP) trainers with the fundamental teaching methodologies and strategies for the design and delivery of IP training experiences for various audiences. Initially developed for trainers from the WIPO Academy Intellectual Property Training Institutions (IPTIs), it is now available for anyone wishing to enhance their IP training skills.
Content and structure	The course comprises eight modules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Module 1: Course introduction - Module 2: How adults learn - Module 3: Diagnosing training - Module 4: Training design - Module 5: Training delivery - Module 6: Training assessment and evaluation - Module 7: eLearning basics - Module 8: Final assessment
Certificate	A certificate is awarded to those who complete all the course modules and achieve at least 80 per cent on the final assessment.
Duration	Participants can review course material at their own pace. The course can be completed in approximately 15 hours.
Target audience	The course is designed for IP officers, professionals and experts with responsibilities that include training.
Registration	Information on registration periods and enrollment is available in the IPTI section of the training catalogue on the WIPO eLearning Center at https://welc.wipo.int/ .
Language of instruction	Arabic, English, French and Spanish.
Tuition fees	The course is offered to participants free of charge.

