

IP Training Institutions



The WIPO Academy provides assistance to Member States to establish self-sustaining Intellectual Property Training Institutions.

The aim of this work is to help WIPO Member States develop their own intellectual property (IP) training capacity focused on specific national goals and priorities.

Establishing an IP Training Institution

The WIPO Academy's approach to this capacity building work is project-based. Upon receipt of a request from a Member State, the Academy will work with national and regional partners to develop the project document. The initial phase will be to undertake a needs assessment, which will enable all partners to define what is required and develop the project to meet those national needs. This phase will determine some of the key requirements to ensure the success of the project, such as:

- Level of national demand for IP training
- Identification of government institutions supporting the project, including the legal and institutional framework
- Selection of future trainers
- Provision of necessary training infrastructure by the project partners
- Involvement of other key stakeholders

Implementation

The main component of the project is a series of “train the trainer” modules covering teaching methodology as well as different substantive areas of IP. Typically, the project will take two years. In addition to the training modules,

the WIPO Academy will also support partners in developing a business plan, preparing future training curricula and providing a library of IP books and resources.

After a project is successfully finalized, the WIPO Academy continues to work with partners in monitoring and evaluating the IP Training Institution's performance, to help determine any further assistance that might be needed and to help ensure its long-term sustainability.

IP Training Institutions Virtual Network

The WIPO Academy has developed an online network for existing IP training institutions worldwide. Information on each institution is available via the network and members have access to an exclusive “members-only” portal for horizontal cooperation to catalyze joint initiatives in deploying national and regional expertise, as well as international support. IP training institutions interested in joining the IP Training Institutions Virtual Network are invited to fill out the contact form on www.wipo.int/academy/en/training_institutions.html

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