



MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TRADE OF UKRAINE AND THE WORLD INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY ORGANIZATION (WIPO) ON ESTABLISHING TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION SUPPORT CENTERS (TISCS) IN UKRAINE

1. INTRODUCTION

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is drawn up between the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine (MEDT) (12/2 Hrushevskoho Street, 01008, Kyiv, Ukraine) and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) (34 chemin des Colombettes, 1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland), hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”, with regard to establishing and developing Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) in Ukraine.

2. PURPOSE

In particular, this MoU clarifies and determines the roles and responsibilities of the Parties with respect to establishing and developing TISCs in Ukraine.

3. PROJECT DOCUMENT

A project document is annexed hereto and includes:

- a summary of the background to the project;
- an indication of the objectives and expected outcomes, outputs, and inputs for the project;
- a schedule for the implementation of activities; and
- a schedule for reporting on progress.

At least one indicator is provided for each objective and expected outcome and for each expected output, as appropriate. The project document is an integral part of this MoU.

4. INSTITUTIONAL AGREEMENT

With the purpose of implementation of this MoU, establishment and further development of the national TISCs network in Ukraine, MEDT shall sign Institutional Agreement with interested national institutions (higher educational establishments, schools, research and development institutions, technical, training and service centers etc.) wishing to establish TISCs. The Institutional Agreement will define the procedures for the establishment of the national TISCs network, set out the tasks and composition, as well as the conditions governing its management.

5. CONTRIBUTIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION

Resources will be allocated and activities implemented by the Parties in accordance with the project document, subject to availability of human and financial resources.

6. MONITORING AND EVALUATION

MEDT will continuously monitor the development of TISCs in Ukraine and communicate the results of its monitoring activities to WIPO in accordance with the schedule for reporting on progress included in the annexed project document.

7. CONTACT POINTS

The Parties will designate a contact point to facilitate communication on matters related to the implementation of this MoU and will keep each other informed of changes in the designed contact point.

The contact point for MEDT is:

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The contact point for MEDT will also act as the coordinator/focal point of the national TISC network.

The contact point for WIPO is:

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8. DURATION, TERMINATION AND AMENDMENT

This MoU will remain in force for two years, unless written notice is given by either party to terminate the MoU earlier. Otherwise, the MoU will be automatically renewed for a period of one year, which will continue so until one of the two Parties terminates the MoU. Particular consideration will be given to monitoring and evaluation results in this context.

Any Party may at any time terminate this MoU by giving the other Party written notice two months in advance. In such a case, unless otherwise agreed, obligations previously incurred will not be affected.

This MoU, including the annexed project document, may be amended at any time by mutual consent of the Parties, expressed in writing.

9. DISPUTE SETTLEMENT

The Parties agree to use their best efforts to resolve any dispute that may arise under or in connection with this MoU and its Annexes amicably and through negotiations.

10. PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES

Nothing in or relating to this MoU shall be deemed a waiver of any of the privileges and immunities of WIPO in conformity with the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations on November 21, 1947, and with the provisions of the Agreement between the Swiss Federal Council and WIPO to determine the Organization's juridical status in Switzerland of December 9, 1970, and of the Implementation Arrangement of the same date related thereto.

11. ENTRY INTO FORCE

The current MoU enters into force on signing by both Parties.

Signed in Geneva, on 23 July 2018, and in Kyiv, on 26 July 2018, in two original copies, each in Ukrainian and English, both texts being equally authentic. In case of discrepancies in interpretation of the provisions of this MoU, the English text shall prevail.

For the the Ministry of Economic
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ESTABLISHMENT OF TECHNOLOGY AND INNOVATION SUPPORT CENTERS IN UKRAINE

PROJECT DOCUMENT

1. SUMMARY	
Title:	Technology and Innovation Support Centers in Ukraine
Project Duration:	July 2018 to December 2020
Brief Description of Project:	<p>The project aims to stimulate innovation and economic growth by facilitating access to technology information and by strengthening capacity to effectively exploit this information. Under this project, WIPO supports the establishment and development of Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) and associated networks on the national, regional, and international levels.</p> <p>The principal objective of the project will be to ensure the long-term sustainability of TISCs and their ability to provide appropriate, high-quality technology and innovation support services.</p>

2. PROJECT FRAMEWORK

2.1. Introduction

In line with objectives and priorities stated in the Ukraine-2020 Strategy, approved by the Decree of the President of Ukraine from 12.05.2015 № 5/2015, Programme of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, approved by the Resolution of the Verkhovna Rada (the Parliament) of Ukraine from 14.04.2016 № 1099-VIII, as well as the Association Agreement between the European Union, the European Atomic Energy Community, and their Member States, of the one part, and Ukraine, of the other part, the Ministry of Economic Development and

Trade of Ukraine has developed a number of improvements in the field of IP protection, mainly focused on required institutional transformation.

The particular targets are designated in the Concept of the reform of the intellectual property legal protection state system, approved by the Regulation of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine from 01.06.2016 № 406.

The Department for Intellectual Property acting as the focal point within the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine (MEDT) complies with and implements the requirements of intellectual property protection and improvement measures, as well as reaches the aims proclaimed herein below in collaboration with WIPO.

2.2 Objectives

The project aims to stimulate inventive activity, innovation and thus economic growth in Ukraine.

Indicator: Number of applications for inventions filed by residents per year (Source: MEDT Statistical Database).

Baseline: 2279 applications for inventions filed by residents in 2017.

Target: 2290 applications for inventions filed by residents per year by end of 2020.

Indicator: Number of applications for utility models, designs and trademarks granted to residents per year (Source: MEDT Statistical Database).

Baseline: 8973 applications for utility models, 2249 applications for designs and 26276 applications for trademarks filed by residents in 2017.

Target: 9100 applications for utility models, 2400 applications for designs and 26500 applications for trademarks to be filed by residents per year by end of 2020.

2.3. Outcomes

To achieve its objectives, the project will:

1. Increase the availability and use of appropriate, high-quality technology information services.

Indicator: Number of visits of users per month to all regional TISCs (Source: TISC Host Institutions).

Baseline: 0 visits per month in 2017.

Target: 10 visits per month by December 2018; 20 visits per month by December 2019; 50 visits per month by December 2020.

Indicator: Percentage of visitors to TISCs ranking services provided as satisfactory or better (poor, satisfactory, good) (Source: Client questionnaires).

Baseline: None.

Target: 50 percent by end 2019; 75 percent by end 2020.

2. Increase exploitation of patent and non-patent literature in academic and research Institutions.

Indicator: Number of searches per year carried out by the Ukrainian institutions participating in Research4Life (Source: Database usage statistics).

Baseline: Unknown.

Target: searches carried out by end 2019 - 2% of increasing in comparison with 2018; searches by end 2020 - 3% of increasing in comparison with 2019.

2.4. Outputs

The project will :

1. Increase the number of TISCs capable to assisting local users:

Indicator: Number of TISCs established in Ukraine (Source: Institutional Agreements signed with TISC host institutions).

Baseline: 0 TISCs established in 2017.

Target: 10 TISCs to be established by end of 2020.

2. Enhance awareness and knowledge of IP by the TISC Staff

Indicator: Percentage of TISC staff successfully completing WIPO distance learning course DL-101, DL-301 and DL-318.

Baseline: 0 percent in 2017.

Target: 50 percent of TISC staff successfully completing DL-101, 30 percent of TISC staff successfully completing DL-301 and 20 percent of TISC staff successfully completing DL-318 by 2020.

3. Increase participation in Research4Life by the Ukrainian institutions

Indicator: Number of institutions with active Research4Life registrations (Source: Research4Life registration statistics – WIPO).

Baseline: 220 institutions with active Research4Life registrations in 2017.

Target: number of institutions with active subscriptions by December 2018 - 2% of increasing in comparison with 2017; number of institutions with active

subscriptions by December 2019 - 3% of increasing in comparison with 2018; number of institutions with active subscriptions by December 2020 - 3% of increasing in comparison with 2019.

3. PROJECT ACTION PLAN

3.1 Activities

The following activities were or will be carried out to achieve the project's expected results:

- IPF-2017: Ukrainian IP branch – the professionals' point of view (June 7, 2017)
- Training in database usage in the realm of chemistry, pharmacology and medicine (June 20, 2017)
- WIPO Regional seminar "Intellectual Property Policy in Universities and Scientific- Research Centers" (July 5-6, 2017)
- WIPO Regional seminar on PCT promotion in Kyiv (November 7, 2017)
- WIPO Regional seminar on PCT promotion in L'viv (November 9, 2017)
- WIPO Training Workshop on patent database searches and development of Technology and Innovation Support Centers (TISCs) in Ukraine (April 24-25, 2018)
- Regional Seminar on patent-drafting (June 4-8, 2018)
- WIPO-Ukraine Summer School (July 16-27, 2018)
- WIPO Regional seminars on PCT promotion (Kharkiv, Odesa, November 2018).

3.2 Activity Schedule

	Activity		Planned completion date
1.	Conclusion of agreements including provisions for allocation of infrastructure and human resources	TISC Host Institutions	Q4 2018
2.	Designation of human resources as TISC staff and trainers	TISC Host Institutions in	Q4 2018

		consultation with MEDT	
3.	On-site training for all TISC staff Topic: Patent database searching	WIPO	Q4 2018
4.	Development of an awareness creation and communications plan	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q4 2018
5.	Request for WIPO publications in English	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q4 2018
6.	Distance learning course for TISC members and trainers Topics: tbc	WIPO	Q4 2018
7.	On-site training for TISC members and trainers Topic: tbc	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q4 2018
8.	Awareness raising event supported by MEDT and WIPO publications	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q1 2019
9.	Distance learning course for TISC members and trainers Topics: tbc	WIPO	Q1 2019
10.	Awareness raising event supported by MEDT and WIPO publications Topic: World IP Day	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q2 2019
11.	On-site training for TISC members and trainers Topic: tbc	MEDT and TISC Host Institutions	Q3 2019
12.	Distance learning course for TISC members and trainers Topics: tbc	WIPO	Q3 2019
13.	On-site training for all TISC staff Topic: tbc	WIPO	Q4 2019

14.	On-site training for TISC members and trainers Topic: tbc	WIPO	Q1 2020
15	Distance learning course for TISC members and trainers Topics: tbc	WIPO	Q1 2020
16.	On-site training for all TISC staff Topic: tbc	WIPO	Q3 2020

3.3 Evaluation and Reporting Schedule

	Activity	Planned date
1.	Collection of statistics on visitors to TISCs	Quarterly from Q3 2018
2.	TISC visitor satisfaction survey (poor-satisfactory-good)	Quarterly from Q3 2018
3.	Collection of statistics on the number of applications for inventions, designs, utility models and trademarks filed by residents in 2018	Q1 2019
4.	Collection of statistics on TISCs established in Ukraine in 2018	Q1 2019
5.	Request to WIPO for statistics on total number of TISC staff having participated in and successfully completed WIPO distance learning course in 2018	Q1 2019
6.	Request to WIPO for statistics on Ukraine institutions with active Research4Life registrations in 2018	Q1 2019
7.	Request to database providers for statistics on searches carried out by Ukraine institutions participating in Research4Life in 2018	Q1 2019
8.	Collection of statistics on the number of applications for inventions, designs, utility models and trademarks filed by residents in in 2019	Q1 2020

9.	Collection of statistics on TISCs established in Ukraine in 2019	Q1 2020
10.	Request to WIPO for statistics on total number of TISC staff having participated in and successfully completed WIPO distance learning courses in 2019	Q1 2020
11.	Request to WIPO for statistics on Ukraine institutions with active Research4Life registrations in 2019	Q1 2020

4. ABBREVIATIONS

TISC	Technology and Innovation Support Center
WIPO	World Intellectual Property Organization
MEDT	Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine