## Intellectual Property Centre



### Intellectual Property Centre - Introduction



We promote Intellectual Property protection by working closely with Hong Kong Intellectual Property Department, Customs, Industrial Department and other commercial organizations.

- We support both members and non-members in dealing with Intellectual Property Matters.
- Our Centre has accumulated over <u>30 years</u> of experience (FHKI was established 60 years ago)
- <u>We specialize in application and registration services.</u> We operate globally, including Hong Kong, China, Japan, USA, Europe, Southeast Asia and other countries around the world.

## Not Just a Simple Agency Service

- Intellectual Property Promotion
- Organize intellectual property training courses and lectures
   China National Intellectual Property Administration /
   Hong Kong Intellectual Property Department (HKIPD / Nano and Advanced Materials Institute Limited etc...



Service center for SMEs in exhibitions Providing free intellectual property consultation

- Intellectual Property Trading Platform at Asia IP Exchange
- Patent Application Grant "PAG" funding scheme <u>Accredited Patent Agents</u> Patentability advice
- Hong Kong Patent Landscape Report 2023















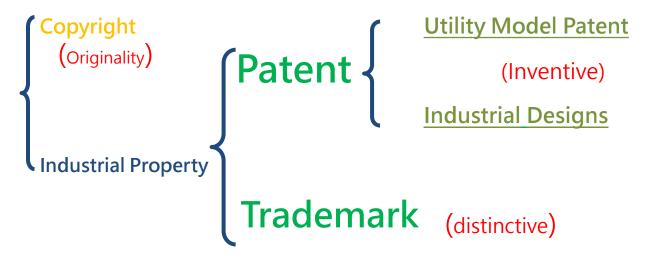


## Intellectual Property - Summary

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Intangible – Property

IP





Important but not mainstream: domain names / goodwills / product geographical indications

#### Trade Mark

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- A trade mark is a sign that distinguishes the goods and services of one trader from those of others.
- Trade marks are classified according to the NICE classification which has 45 different categories. (1-34 are goods - 35-45 are services)

#### Example:













Source: https://esearch.ipd.gov.hk/

Hong Kong Intellectual Property Department -Public Online Search



## Patent

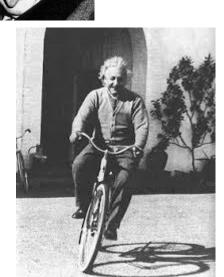
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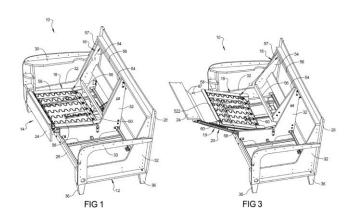




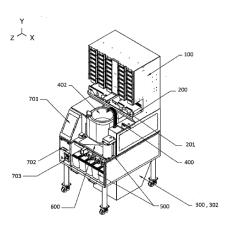
#### **Patent**

A patent is a monopoly granted to the owner of a newly invented technology or to improvements of products or processes to make, use, and sell their invention or improvement for a set period of time. After expiry of the term of a granted patent, the invention or improvement is open to free use by the public.

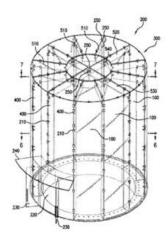
#### Example:



Chaise longue and leg rest mechanisms for furniture components



automated cooking system



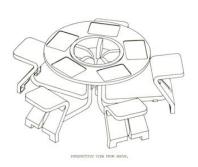
Structure and assembly method of glass door entrance

## Industrial Design

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• An industrial design is the <u>ornamental</u> or <u>aesthetic</u> aspect of an article. The design may consist of three-dimensional features, such as the shape or surface of an article, or of two-dimensional features, such as patterns, lines or color.

#### Example:









## Copyright



- It is the exclusive right granted by law to authors in literary, artistic and scientific works of their own creation.
- Copyright protects the expression of an idea, not the idea itself.

 Hong Kong does not have a registration system, and some countries (such as the United States and China) can register copyright.

FHKI provides a copyright depository service = evidence of time



- l Design Drawings
- Product Drawings
- Layout Design (topology) of integrated circuits
- Song lyrics
- Pictures / Phtotographs
- Audio/Film/sound recordings
- Website layout design
- Printed materials



## No Fakes Pledge



- The "No Fakes Pledge" guarantees that a store sells products that are genuine. The pledge is to establish an image of honesty, reliability, and is to increase consumer confidence.
- The badge also acts as a reminder to raise consumers' awareness of intellectual property protection and pirated or counterfeited goods.
- There is an official website and a mobile application to enhance the brand's popularity.
- In 2020, there are more than 1,200 members, and there are more than 5,500 retail stores and online stores
- The application is based on the business name, not individual retail stores.









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## Patent – Patent Application Grand "PAG"



## The applicant's capital contribution ratio is 1:9



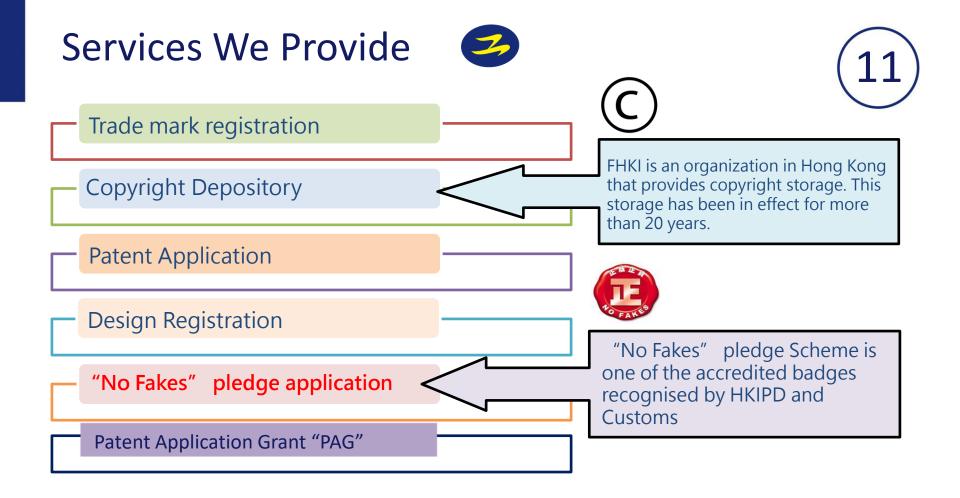
The maximum funding for each approved application is HK\$250,000 (Sponsorship - awarded to executive agencies processing patent applications)

#### Are you eligible?

- ✓ Never owned a patent in any country or region
- ✓ Local registered company, HK permanent resident
- Inventor = Applicant
- Inventor~ Directly related to the applicant company



Source: Hong Kong Productivity Council 2021



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#### Discover

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- Free consultation

### Register

Protect innovative designs and/or brands through registration



Professional Registration Service

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- Provide professional advice and analysis
- Training & Seminars

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