Empowering Women in Innovation & Entrepreneurship Project

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Women’s Use of THE IP System in Oman


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Challenges pertaining to women’s use of the IP system

Barriers to IP Registration for Women Who Did Not File IP

- Technical Difficulty Dealing with Electronic PCT Filing
- Lack of awareness of Patent Importance
- Prefer to Participate in Exhibitions & Competitions
- Financial Obstacles
- Low IP readiness level and needs to be developed
- Lack of knowledge of law firms assisting in registration
- Difficulty in Communicating with the IP Office
- Lack of Specialized courses in Patent filing
- High financial costs of patenting
- High Cost of lawyers in Patent drafting
Challenges pertaining to women’s use of the IP system

Challenges of IP registration by Women Who Registered IP

- IP office too far from my residence
- Lack of specialized courses in patent registration
- Difficulty of writing a patent draft
- Difficulty in communicating with the IP office
- Annual fees for patent renewal
- Difficulties in patent requirements
- High financial costs of patenting
- Delays in granting the patent
- High cost of lawyers in patent drafting
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Barriers to IP Product Commercialization

- Difficulty of the Business Incubation Requirements
- Lack of IP policy determining the ownership of...
- Low Level of Technology readiness
- Difficulty to study the market and conduct...
- Difficulty in commercializing the idea in the Market
- Not interested in establishing start-ups
- Fear of their ideas being stolen
- Reluctance of local industry to invest in high-risk...
- Complexities of procedures, policies and...
- Insufficient knowledge of entrepreneurship process
- Inability to financially protect the idea as IP
- Intense competition in the local market
- Lack of supporters of innovative ideas
- Difficulty persuading the local investor
- Lack of Venture Capital Fund for local innovations
- Need for technical and financial support
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Innovation / ابتكار
Inventions with new features and solving technical challenges

IP / إيداع
Protection of innovations with Intellectual Property System

Entrepreneurship / ريادة
Commercialization of the innovations to reach the market
Distributing the IP Knowledge

A series of specialized workshops on intellectual property 2021

Total number of beneficiaries= 600 inventors
تمكين المرأة

برنامج وطني بالتعاون مع المنظمة العالمية للملكية الفكرية

لتغريز دور المرأة في الاستثمار وريادة الأعمال من خلال استخدام الفاعل لنظام الملكية الفكرية

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Efforts from SQU

2000
- Office of Innovation Services

2006
- Research & Innovation Affairs Dept
  - IP Policy Draft

2010
- Innovation Affairs Department
  - Develop the Procedure
  - USPTO filing
  - Establish INOVENT

2016
- Innovation & Entrepreneurship Dept.
  - IP Policy issued
  - PCT-OM filing
  - Tech Day
  - Training

2018
- Innovation & Technology Transfer Centre
  - Empower Women in Innovation
  - WIPO Summer School
  - IP Master Proposal
  - Industry Academia Linkage
  - Science Incubation
Efforts from Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion

• Upgrade the services by changing the IP department into National IP Office in 2021.

• Electronic patent registration system will be launched in October 2021.

• Reduce the patent registration fees by 90% for the students and Researchers.
14 Omani women inventors participate

- 7 (Agriculture)
- 2 (IT)
- 2 (Green Technology)
- 3 (Health)

3 Omani Women mentors

IP, Technology Transfer
Thank You,,,,,,