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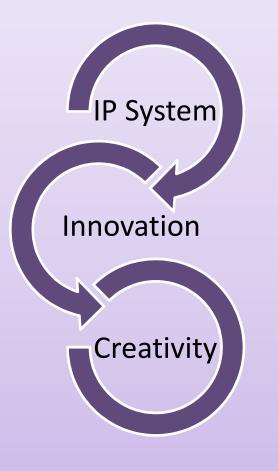
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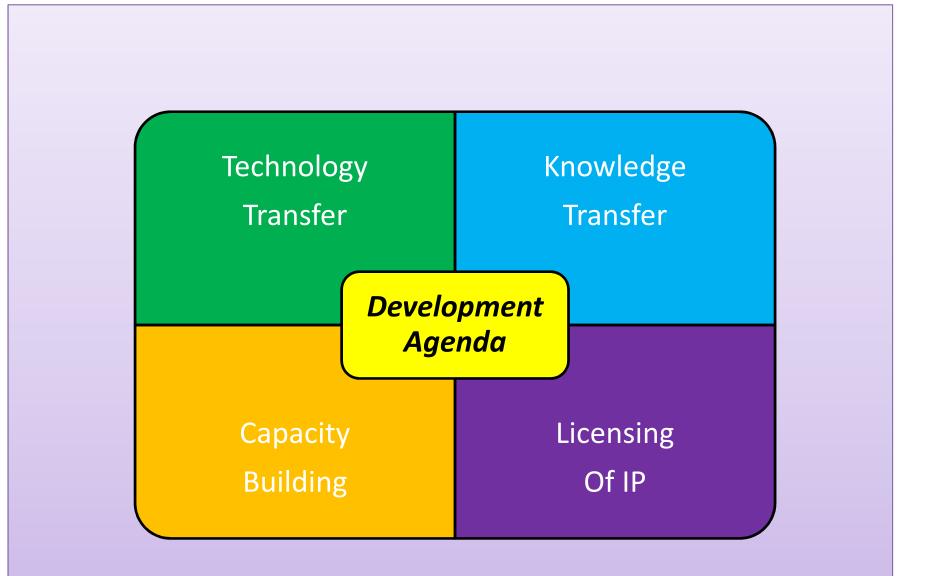
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## WIPO Intellectual Property System Leveraging To Reduce the Gaps

This forum's solution is focusing the potential of science, technology, and innovation for addressing some of the most significant challenges that confront the humanity not only for a prosperous future but our permanency on the planet.

#### WIPO's MISSION



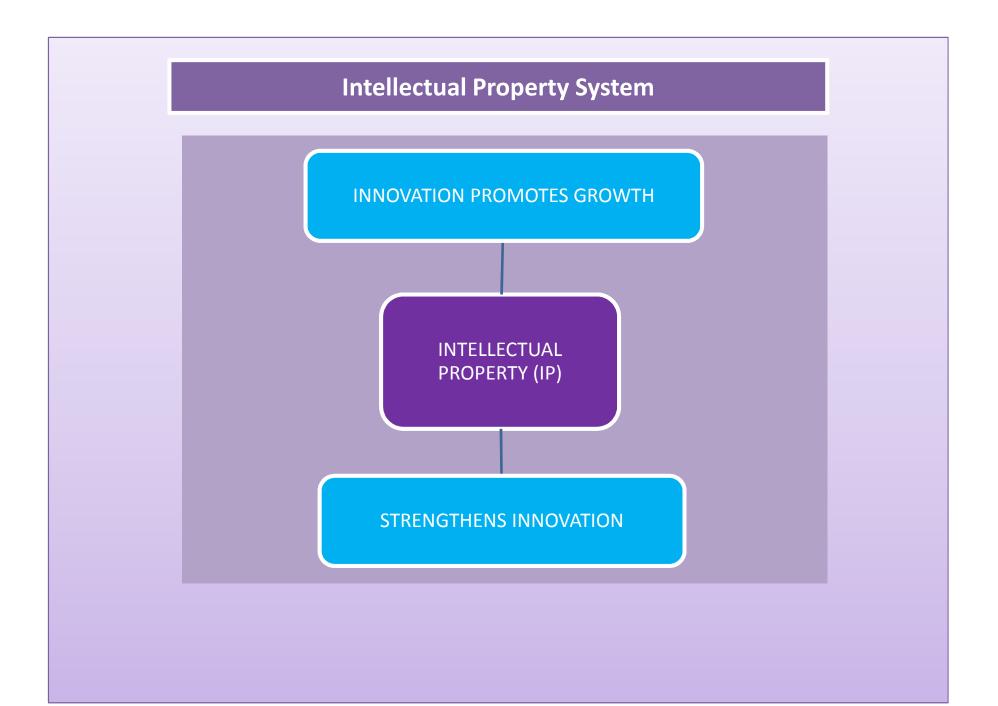


## Intellectual Property (IP)

Intellectual Property can be a useful tool for achieving development objectives when is adapted to specific conditions and needs to each reality.

## **Important Sign:**

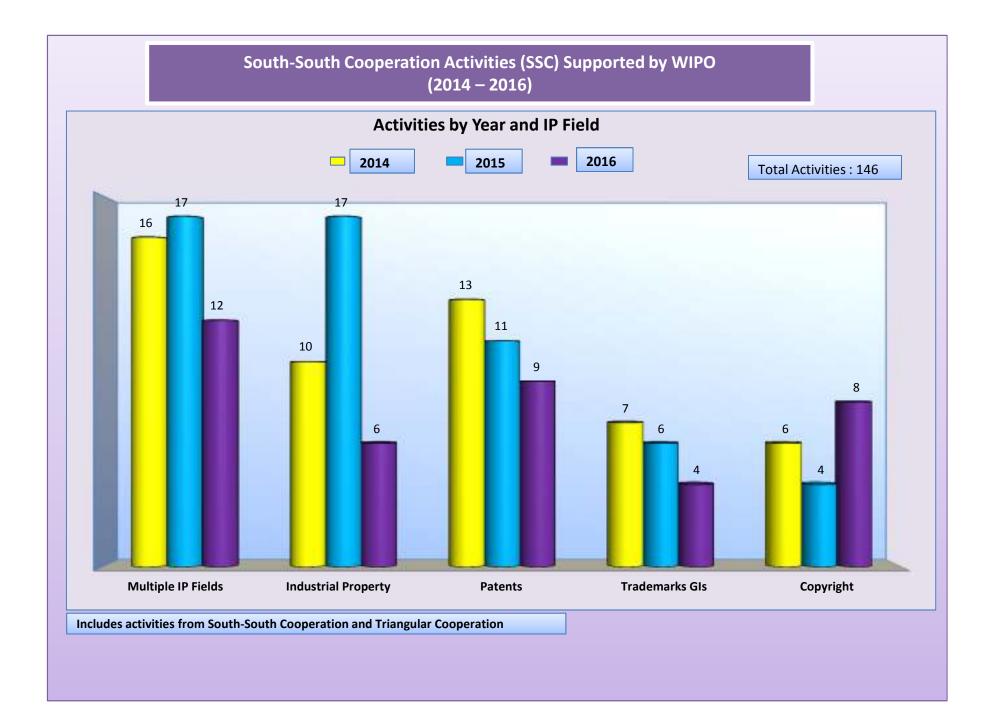
In the field of Intellectual Property, technology transfer to developing nations **includes Industrial Property** as well as **know-how of manufacturing processes and regulatory approvals**.

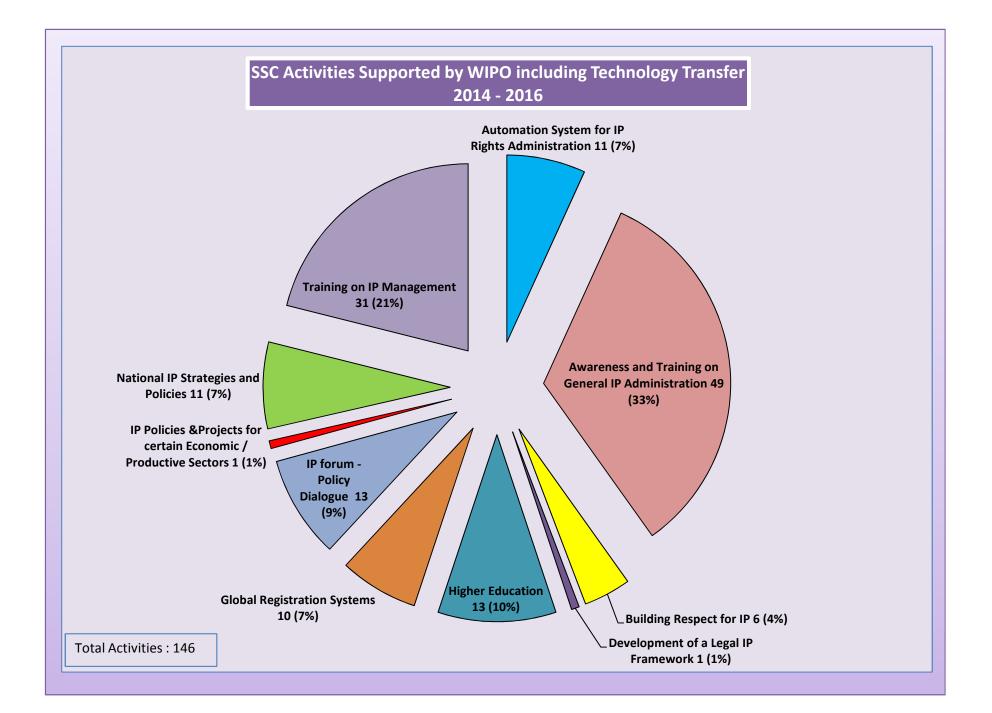


South-South Cooperation

# WIPO is actively engaged in South-South cooperation.

In our mapping exercise for the period 2014 to 2016, we identified a total of one hundred fortysix (146) activities organized with WIPO support in the framework of **South-South Cooperation**.





Today the focus is on:

## WIPO Re:Search,

For its relevance as a successful case in science, technology, and innovation (STI). Also for contributing to the Global South using various means, including **South-South Cooperation**.

#### WIPO Re:Search

A Consortium sponsored by WIPO in collaboration with BIO Ventures for Global Health (BVGH) for accelerating the discovery and product development such as:

- Medicines
- Vaccines
- Diagnostics

**Objective:** 

To create new solutions for people affected by Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs1), Malaria, and Tuberculosis by making intellectual property and know-how available to the global health research community.

## **Benefits of WIPO Re:Search**

- To create new solutions for people affected by neglected tropical diseases, malaria, and tuberculosis by making intellectual property and know-how available to the global health research community.
- Offers Member institutions access to an extensive range of knowledge, compounds, technology, and expertise provided by private and public sector Members – saving scientists valuable resources and time.
- Facilitates access to private-sector compounds and compound libraries, helping to repurpose drugs.
- Accelerate research into NTDs, malaria, and tuberculosis, increasing the chances of success and reducing costs.
- The Consortium acts as a gateway to a range of development-related tools, including scientific journals and training in IP management.

WIPO Re: Search, facilitates 'sabbaticals' for developing countries scientists, at Members' research facilities.

**Some Expression about the sabbatical experiences**:



"I see this as an opportunity not only to gain invaluable experience and knowledge from a world-class company like Novartis, but to develop relationships that I can leverage to advance my research upon my return" – Fidelis Cho-Ngwa, University of Buea, Cameroon

Dr. Cho-Ngwa, River Blindness Researcher from Cameroon: is currently screening Merck KGaA's subset of Hsp90 inhibitors to identify those that selectively inhibit adult and juvenile Onchocera but not Loa loa microfilariae.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eGmkXmI2oKM

http://www.wipo.int/research/en/supporting\_services/



"The chance to participate in a sabbatical with Novartis was an amazing opportunity – one which I will utilize to gain skills and knowledge to fill the gaps in product development at my home institution" – Wellington Oyibo, University of Lagos, Nigeria

Dr. Oyibo, Malaria Researcher from Nigeria

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e2hXBTqTL5I http://www.wipo.int/research/en/news/2015/news\_0016.html South-South Cooperation Approach

Has allowed researchers from developing countries to share their know-how, expertise, and experiences acquired at local; national, regional and intercontinental level for improving their knowledge and skills.

## Three important remarks:

- Technology transfer is driven by different factors, many of which are not directly related to IP.
- Close cooperation among International Organizations within and outside the UN system remains essential for achieving essential development goals.
- SSC is an essential way to sharing technology transfer for the benefit of the poorest around the world.

## Finally as Quoted by our Director General

WIPO is proud to make its contribution to the global efforts, building on its expertise in IP to ensure that the IP system delivers benefits to all and especially the poor.

Francis Gurry- 2017