

# AN INTRODUCTION TO INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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# IP is all around...

#### **One product – many IP rights**



## **Trade marks**

Protects signs which **identify** goods and services of a particular **source** and **differentiates** them from the others.











✓ First to file!







The "Adobe logo" is a registered trade mark owned by Adobe Inc.



The "Bluetooth" word mark and its logo are registered trade marks of Bluetooth SIG, Inc.



The slogan of the Cisco Systems *"Empowering the Internet Generation"* is a registered trade mark.



Registered trade mark of Intel Corp.



## Protects the appearance of products – not the product itself.



- ✓ Novel in design
- ✓ Having an **original / individual character**

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Uber's user interface for driver rating is a registered design



Graphic interface of a game: registered design by Euro Games Technology Ltd.



Waldo's hat is a registered design owned by DreamWorks Distribution Ltd.



Facebook's registered design for an icon/emoji

## **Patents**

### Protects technical inventions / technical solutions to a problem.



✓ Novel (new all over the world)



- Inventive step (non-obviousness)
- Industrial applicability



<u>EP3560137B1</u> Improved blockchain-based method for registration and verification of a file



<u>EP0630497B1</u> Method and computer system for increasing the functionality of a computer program



<u>EP1216441B1</u> Graphical programming system with distributed block diagram execution and user interface display



EP3226165B1 Secure 3D model sharing using distributed ledger

# **Territoriality in IPRs**

IPRs are territorial !

Trade marks, designs, patents are protected <u>only</u> in the countries/regions in which you applied for protection.

- ✓ Individual protection
- Regional protection (TM: EUTM, Designs: RCD, Patents: EP)
- ✓ International application (TM: Madrid Protocol, Designs: Hague Agreement, Patents: PCT)





# **Duration and costs**

## **TRADEMARKS:**

Heavily depends on the selected route, number of classes, and attorney costs, if any.

EUTM (in EU27): In one class: 850 € For the  $2^{nd}$  class: +50 € Each additional as of the  $3^{rd}$ : +150 €



### **DESIGNS:**

Heavily depends on the selected route, number of designs, and attorney costs, if any.

Community Design (in EU27): For one design: 350 € Each additional design up to 10<sup>th</sup>: +175 € Each additional design after 11<sup>th</sup>: +80 €



## **PATENTS:**

## **Duration and costs**

Heavily depends on the selected route, translation and attorney costs.

#### European Patent (EP):

(for <36 pages<sup>\*</sup> and <16 claims<sup>\*</sup>)

- Filing
- Search report
- Designation fee
- Examination fee
- Grant

#### <u>Total</u>: ~5000 € + translation costs

- + Renewal fees
- + Attorney fees







- ✓ Novelty Search / any prior filers?
- Avoid infringing third party rights (FTO)
- Follow up the latest technology and trends
- Utilise as an idea catalyzer
- Watching validity of IPRs
- Networking / identifying partners
- Monitor competitors and clients
- Check if someone is infringing your rights (opposition)



# **Useful tools**

#### Patents:

https://www.epo.org/ https://www.wipo.int/patents/en/



#### Trade marks:

https://euipo.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/trade-marks https://www.wipo.int/trademarks/en/

#### Designs:

https://euipo.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/designs https://www.wipo.int/designs/en/

#### Copyright:

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