



International Chamber of Commerce

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Department of Policy and Business Practices

Intellectual property related activities in chambers of commerce

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1. General comments

No

2. Communication Tools

What kind of communication tools do you offer? Please elaborate.

a) **On-line e.g. website**

www.chambers.ie

Regular E-Zine newsletter.

b) **Hard copy publications (e.g. guides, newsletters)**

Quarterly National newspaper supplement, entitled InBusiness.

c) **Others**

No

3. Training

Do you offer any training programs? Please elaborate.

a) **Seminars/ workshops**

Chambers Ireland directly runs an in-company programme on Innovation Development and Technology Transfer, which takes place over 9 months and results in a Diploma in Innovation Development.

In addition, the Chambers Business School provides a range of business development training programmes, in conjunction with regional Chambers and local trainers across the country.

Chambers Ireland also offers an annual one-day national workshop/seminar on Innovation called Extreme Business Makeover, assisting companies in business and innovation development.

b) On-line tutorials

No

c) Others

No

4. Consultancy/ Advisory Services

Do you offer any IP-consultancy services? This could include a helpline, legal/ financial/ commercial/consulting services etc.. Are Intellectual property aspects included in general commercial/business advice provided by your chamber?

Chambers Ireland offers an in-company programme on Innovation Development, which helps companies undertake an innovation audit and prepare an innovation strategy for their organization.

5. Information gathering/ awareness raising

Do you conduct surveys or gather information in any other way? Do you carry out any awareness raising activities? Please elaborate.

Annual eBusiness Survey, which provides an analysis of the use of information and communications technologies among companies in Ireland.

6. SME case studies

Do you publish case studies of SMEs who have actively used IP in their businesses? Can you provide us with any such case studies?

It is proposed to publish case studies on companies who have completed the innovation development process, which can be provided if required.

7. Facilitation of IP business opportunities

Do you provide any services to help businesses trade in IP eg IP business matchmaking, marketplaces etc?

Chambers Ireland is participant and host to the High-Tech Community Cluster, hosted on the WCN (<http://ttbx.worldchambers.com/>) which provides an IP and Technology Transfer Exchange portal, offering a forum for technology/IP showcase, and a secure forum for technology partnerships.

8. Policy advocacy

Do you engage in policy advocacy in the IP field? Please provide details.

No

9. Encouragement of innovation and IP asset development

Do you have any initiatives to encourage innovation or the development of IP assets e.g. awards, competitions, technology showcases etc?

See section 7 above.

10. Others

No

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We consent to the above information being posted on the ICC (International Chamber of Commerce) website.

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