UNIVERSITÀ
DEGLI STUDI DI MILANO-BICOCCA

COURSE SYLLABUS

Intellectual Property

2627-1-F0803Q051

Aims

The course will provide classes with the basic knowledge and uderstanding of IP on technology in particular patent and trade secret.

Knowledge and understanding.
To gain the knowledge of the basic principles of the patent and trade secret protection of technology and relevant differences.

Applying knowledge and understanding.
Understanding patents and strategis of protection and relevant implications.

Making judgements.
Understanding pros and cons of strategies of protection in different situation.

Communication skills.
To acquire the appropriate communication skills related to IP.

Learning skills.
To be able to understand patent literature.

Contents

Trade secret, requirement for the protection, right granted. Patent requirement for the protection, patent prosecution, rights granted, limitations, duration, SPC, patent on biotech, contracts.

Detailed program

The law of patents and of trade secrets - Functions of patent law and alternative form of protection of innovation - Italian and International patent regulations - Biotech inventions - Patentability requirements - Italian and European patent prosecution - Rights conferred and limitations - Interpretation of patent claims - Ownership - Patent agreements: license and assignment of patents - Invalidity of patent - Compulsory license - Enforcement and remedies.
Classes will cover topics related to the SDG of ONU Agenda 2030.

Prerequisites

Background. None

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Teaching form

Erogative Didactic 21 lessons 2 hours each. Classroom lessons
Teaching language: Italian

Textbook and teaching resource

Textbooks
Vanzetti Di Cataldo Spolidoro, Manuale di Diritto industriale, last edition (2024 or following edition if available) parts on patent and trade secret

There are no recordings of the lessons available.

Semester

First semester

Assessment method

Oral examination on the topics presented during the classes and in the texbook. The assessment will be aimed at testing knowledge of the subject matter, the critical ability to evaluate related issues, and the ownership of language.
No intermediate exams.

Office hours

Contact hours: wednesday before classess upon request by email to the lecturer

Sustainable Development Goals

GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING