

WARSAW UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

Regulation No. 179/2021
of the WUT Rector
of 26 July 2021

on the introduction of the Regulations for Supporting International Patents at the Warsaw University of Technology

Under Article 23 section 1 of the Law on Higher Education and Science of 20 July 2018 (Journal of Laws of 2021 item 478), according to Agreement No. 04/IDUB/2019/94 of 30 December 2019, signed between the State Treasury represented by the Minister of Science and Higher Education and the Warsaw University of Technology, it is resolved as follows:

§ 1

We hereby introduce the Regulations for supporting international patents at the Warsaw University of Technology, which constitute the Appendix to this Regulation.

§ 2

This Regulation enters into force upon signing.

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Regulations for Supporting International Patents at the Warsaw University of Technology

§ 1

Regulations for Supporting International Patents at the Warsaw University of Technology hereinafter referred to as 'Regulations' specify the procedures to be followed and conditions for supporting applications for international patents submitted to the Warsaw University of Technology under PCT (Patent Cooperation Treaty) procedures, EPO (European Patent Office), or directly in selected countries, exclusively following the Polish right of priority.

§ 2

Support for international patent protection at the Warsaw University of Technology is funded within the project 'Excellence Initiative – Research University' (IDUB) as part of the WUT Patent programme.

§ 3

1. The aim of the support for international patents of inventions is to enhance the internationalisation of the Warsaw University of Technology.
2. The support shall include the patent applications submitted to the Polish Patent Office (UPRP)
 - 1) for which the results of scientific research or developmental work at the Warsaw University of Technology were reported in compliance with the applicable regulations for managing copyright and related rights, industrial property right, and principles for commercialisation¹
 - 2) to which the 12-month period for extending the patent still applies, as calculated from the day of submitting an application for a patent to UPRP
3. In the case of new scientific research findings or results of developmental work, to receive support for an international patent an employee of the Warsaw University of Technology shall submit an application for a patent of results to the Warsaw University of Technology in the order of priority, in compliance with the applicable regulations for managing copyright and related rights, industrial property right, and principles for commercialisation.

§ 4

To receive support, an employee of the Warsaw University of Technology shall complete an international patent application form. The template for the form is the Appendix to this Regulation.

§ 5

1. Inventions for which international patent applications were submitted shall be evaluated by the internal committee appointed by the Rector of the Warsaw University of Technology.

¹Applicable regulations for managing copyright and related rights, industrial property right, and principles for commercialisation are available at <https://www.bip.pw.edu.pl/Wewnetrzne-akty-prawne/Regulaminy/Regulamin-zarzadzania-prawami-autorskimi-i-prawami-pokrewnymi-oraz-prawami-wlasnosci-przemyslowej-oraz-zasad-komercjalizacji2>

2. The internal committee shall be supported by the advisory committee consisting of external experts appointed by the Rector of the Warsaw University of Technology.

§ 6

The advisory committee shall support the work of the internal committee, upon whose request it shall assess the submitted applications for international patents of inventions and shall stipulate the procedures and countries in which patent applications will be submitted.

§ 7

As part of the evaluation of the support of international patents, the internal committee may request submitting additional information, specifically:

- 1) the information on the labour input related to the creation of the invention
- 2) the concept of the commercialisation/implementation of the invention
- 3) the evaluation of the market of the invention recipients

§ 8

The final decision on the eligibility for the WUT Patent programme, selection of the procedure of international patenting of inventions, and countries shall be taken by the internal committee.

§ 9

The information on the decision specified in § 8 shall be sent to an employee by email.

§ 10

Any costs related to the services of the patent office, official fees, and patent-related fees shall be paid by the Centre for Innovation and Technology Transfer Management (CZiITT), or reimbursed by CZiITT based on an internal note, as part of the WUT Patent programme of the IDUB project.

§ 11

The number of supported applications for international patents, number of validations, and number of national phases is limited.

INTERNATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION FORM

Specification:

Name of patent/technology:

Inventor/Co-inventors:

WUT organisational unit:

Number of Research Findings Report Card:

Number of national patent application (optional):

Please, answer the questions below:

1) Is the patent/technology a result of the unit's own work or a result of research/developmental work conducted within a project? If within a project, please state the name and objective of the project and attach the decision on the intellectual property following the applicable agreements (e.g., alliance agreement, agreement with a financing unit)

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2) What is the purpose of the application for an international patent – what does the Applicant wish to accomplish by owning an international patent?

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3) What is the number of countries in which the applications for international patents are planned to be submitted as part of an international procedure? What is the reason for selecting these countries?

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4) Is there any entity interested in purchasing/licensing the patent/technology?

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5) Who are the potential recipients of the patent/technology?

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6) What are the plans for the patent/technology within 2-3 years of the application? (This is an approximate period after which the procedure enters the regional/national phase and generates substantial costs, depending on the selected countries and their number)

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