



Intellectual Property Law and Technology Transfer Dynamics in Chad's Universities

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Abstract

Intellectual Property (IP) Law in African universities is an under-researched area, with specific challenges faced by institutions such as Chad's universities. The research employs semi-structured interviews and document analysis to gather insights from key stakeholders including university administrators, researchers, and industry partners. A significant theme identified was the lack of clarity in IP Law provisions affecting technology transfer processes, with a proportion of interviewees reporting difficulties in securing patents due to ambiguous regulations. The findings highlight the need for comprehensive legal reforms aimed at improving the predictability and effectiveness of IP Law implementation within university settings. Policy makers are recommended to prioritise drafting clear and accessible IP Law provisions, coupled with enhanced training programmes for university personnel on technology transfer best practices.

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