



Intellectual Property Law and Technology Transfer in Senegalese Universities: A Theoretical Framework

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Abstract

Intellectual Property Law (IPL) in Africa is a critical area for fostering innovation and economic development. Senegal, as an example, faces challenges in effectively implementing IPL to facilitate technology transfer between universities and industries. The study employs a jurisprudential analysis, drawing on existing legal frameworks and case studies from other African countries with similar contexts. The theoretical framework identifies gaps in current legal frameworks that hinder effective technology transfer, offering suggestions for policy reform to enhance these processes. Policymakers should prioritise drafting comprehensive laws that address issues such as the duration of patents and licensing procedures to facilitate smoother technology transfers.

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