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Abstract

Intellectual Property (IP) Law in Liberia is evolving to align with international standards, particularly concerning technology transfer and university research outputs. A qualitative analysis of existing policies, interviews with university officials, and a review of relevant literature were conducted to inform the policy perspective. Liberian universities are showing varying levels of success in managing their IP outputs, with some implementing robust mechanisms for technology transfer while others lag behind. The current landscape highlights both challenges and opportunities in leveraging Liberian university research for national development through improved IP management systems. Recommendations include strengthening legal frameworks, enhancing capacity building programmes, and promoting collaboration between universities and industry partners to facilitate effective technology transfer.

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