



# Intellectual Property Law and Technology Transfer in Kenyan Universities: An African Perspective,

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## Abstract

This study examines the application of intellectual property (IP) law in technology transfer within Kenyan universities, focusing on the period from to . Qualitative methods were employed through semi-structured interviews with university administrators, researchers, and policymakers. Data was analysed using thematic coding for patterns and themes emerging from the interview data. A key finding is that there is a significant gap between legal provisions on IP rights and their actual implementation in technology transfer processes within universities. The study concludes that while Kenyan universities have robust intellectual property laws, they face challenges in translating these into practical applications for fostering technological innovation. Recommendations include improving compliance mechanisms for IP law enforcement, enhancing training programmes for researchers and administrators, and advocating for more supportive government policies to facilitate technology transfer.

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