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In coordination with the Research Project on Intellectual Property Rights and their Role in Supporting the Competitiveness of Startups and Developing the Investment Climate in Algeria

Organizes a National Virtual Conference on:

The Impact of Intellectual Property Rights Protection on Economic Development in Algeria

On December 16, 2025

Via Remote Video Conferencing

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National Conference Committee

Honorary President of the Conference: Prof. Dr. Hammou Bouziane Amine, Rector of Abdelhamid Ibn Badis University – Mostaganem

General Supervisor of the Conference: Prof. Dr. Feninekh Abdelkader, Dean of the Faculty of Law and Political Science

President of the Conference: Dr. Zouatine Khaled

Conference Problem Statement

Protecting innovations and ideas is among the top priorities for startups, as these ideas often form the foundation upon which the enterprise is built. Through intellectual property protection, startups can ensure that their ideas are not exploited or copied by competitors, thus granting them a competitive advantage in the market. Accordingly, intellectual property plays a pivotal role in enhancing the market value of emerging companies.

When ideas and innovations are well protected, they can increase the enterprise's value in the eyes of investors and clients. Protected intellectual property means that the company possesses unique assets capable of generating future profits, making it more attractive for investment. In addition, startups can use intellectual property as a negotiation tool in partnerships and business deals, further strengthening their market position.

On the other hand, investment is currently considered the driving force for shaping countries' economic strategies, as it constitutes true economic development. Driven by its desire to achieve economic and social development, the Algerian state promptly amended Investment Law 16-09 through Law 22-18 to strengthen the guarantees granted to investors. The amendments introduced new provisions that contribute to improving the investment climate in order to attract the largest possible volume of investments, especially foreign ones, thereby realizing the objectives of economic development. To achieve this goal, and in light of the provisions of the new Investment Law 22-18, the legislator added a new guarantee that did not previously exist: the state's commitment to protecting the investor's intellectual property rights.

To enrich the discussion on this topic, the following issues arise:

* How can innovative ideas of startups be protected in order to enhance their competitiveness and reduce the risk of competition?

* How is the guarantee introduced by the Algerian legislator in the new Investment Law for the protection of the investor's intellectual property rights implemented, and to what extent does it contribute to attracting investors?

Conference Objectives

1- Highlight the importance of intellectual property protection for startups
2- Present strategies for protecting intellectual property for startups
3- Identify the components of intellectual property for the investor
4- Address the newly introduced guarantees for protecting the investor's intellectual property rights under the new Investment Law 22-18

Conference Axes

Axis One: Intellectual Property Rights as a Legal Mechanism to Support Startups
*** The general framework (legal and conceptual) of intellectual property rights and startups**
*** Mechanisms for protecting intellectual property rights for startups**
Axis Two: Protection of the Investor's Intellectual Property Rights in Light of the New Investment Law 22-18
*** Components of the investor's intellectual property rights**
*** Newly introduced legislative guarantees for the protection of the investor's intellectual property rights**

Scientific Committee of the Conference

Chair of the Scientific Committee:

*** Prof. Dr. Ben Azzouz Ben Saber, Director of the Labour Law and Employment Research Laboratory**
*** Dr. Zouatine Khaled, Head of the Research Project on Intellectual Property Rights and Their Role in Supporting the Competitiveness of Startups and Developing the Investment Climate in Algeria**

Organizing Committee of the National Conference

Chair of the Organizing Committee:

*** Prof. Dr. Djalti Mansour**
*** Dr. Kaibeche Boumediene**

Participation Conditions

1. Participation is open to researchers and doctoral students, provided that no more than two authors contribute to a single presentation.
2. Abstracts will not be accepted; the full paper must be submitted.
3. Participation must be within one of the conference's thematic axes.
4. The paper must not have been published, submitted for publication, or previously presented at another scientific event.
5. The paper must include an abstract and keywords in the language of the article and in another language, with a length between 10 and 20 pages.
6. All submissions are subject to scientific review by the conference's scientific committee, and authors will be notified of acceptance or rejection via email.

Important Dates

* **Deadline for submitting full papers**: November 10, 2025
* **Notification of accepted papers**: November 20, 2025
Full papers should be sent to the following email address:

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