

The Interface between Academia and Industry: Patents

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Abstract

In this lecture, the role of patents in academia and industry will be addressed by focusing on the procedural aspects, including the phases from filing to grant/refusal, as well as on the search and substantial examination of patent applications, together with in-depth analysis of carrying out prior-art searches and patentability evaluation based especially on novelty and inventive step criteria. Furthermore, miscellaneous details about using patent information in research and development activities will be given. Disclosing research results through patent and/or scientific publications will also be discussed.