Committee:The World İntellectual Property Organization (WIPO)

Topic: Protecting young entrepreneurs and their inventions through intellectual property rights

Singapore is a highly developed city-state located at the southern tip of the Malay Peninsula, known for its strong economy driven by finance, technology, and innovation. The country boasts a world-class education system, efficient healthcare, and a diverse, multicultural population, fostering creativity and collaboration. With a pro-business environment and strong intellectual property laws, Singapore supports young entrepreneurs by offering resources and protections for their innovations, making it a prime example of how IP rights can fuel economic growth and entrepreneurial success.

In Singapore, protecting young entrepreneurs and their inventions is a top priority, as the country understands that intellectual property (IP) rights are crucial for innovation and economic growth. The Singaporean government has established a comprehensive IP framework, including strong laws for patents, trademarks, and copyrights, to help innovators secure their ideas and creations. For young entrepreneurs, the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) provides accessible services, including educational resources and guidance on how to navigate the IP system. Singapore also offers funding programs and incentives to reduce the cost of IP registration, particularly for startups, ensuring that young innovators can afford the protection they need. Additionally, Singapore's participation in international agreements like the TRIPS Agreement strengthens global IP standards, allowing entrepreneurs to protect their inventions worldwide. This commitment to IP protection ensures that young innovators in Singapore are empowered to grow their businesses, attract investment, and contribute to the global knowledge economy. As a WTO member, Singapore is a party to the Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS). It is a signatory to other international intellectual property rights agreements, including the Paris Convention, Bern Convention, Patent Cooperation Treaty, Madrid Protocol and Budapest Agreement

To support the thriving Research and Development Hub in Singapore, we believe that a quality and efficient patent system is crucial. Singapore will contribute constructively to the international patent system. A PCT International Authority in the growing South-East Asia region will encourage greater use of the PCT system amongst IP creators within Asia, as well as amongst businesses interested in operating in this region. We look forward to the support of member states for our request to be appointed as an International Authority Singapore provides ongoing support to many domestic and foreign companies, both domestically and globally, to enable them to improve their patent quality. The Singapore Government provides local entrepreneurs and companies with the necessary resources to make quality applications in the patent application process. These resources include patent research and examination services, guidance on creating patent strategies, and training programs. Additionally, companies in Singapore receive guidance on obtaining worldwide patent protection through IPOS (Intellectual Property Office of Singapore), as well as support for international application processes.The strong IP infrastructure in the country allows Singapore-based companies to be more competitive in global markets and develop innovative solutions. Singapore's future support in this area will include IP financing, IP training programs and international collaborations, which are expected to be made more accessible, especially for young entrepreneurs and companies developing new technologies. These strategies will continue Singapore's aim to foster innovation and strengthen global IP standards.

1. **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS)** - Official website for resources on IP services and policies: <https://www.ipos.gov.sg/>
2. **TRIPS Agreement** - Information on the Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights: WTO TRIPS page
3. **Singapore Government**
4. **Resources** - Information on entrepreneurship, innovation, and IP protection programs can be found on government portals such as [Enterprise Singapore](https://www.enterprisesg.gov.sg/) and [IPOS](https://www.ipos.gov.sg/).
5. WIPO https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/doc\_details.jsp?doc\_id=286665