IP FINANCING SANDBOX

Joint collaboration amongst the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau, Intellectual Property Department (IPD) and Hong Kong Monetary Authority

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OBJECTIVES

Build a stronger local intellectual property (IP) financing ecosystem progressively by—

- Raising awareness of IP as assets of value in the business and finance sectors
- Helping enterprises use IP to secure local bank financing
- Trialing and developing IP-based financing products and services
- Accumulating implementation experience
- Promoting collaboration among stakeholders

FEATURES

- **Pilot deals in a safe environment**
  Participating banks and IP-rich enterprises (particularly the technology sector) can pilot IP financing in a collaborative environment

- **Professional support**
  Supported by legal and valuation professions to advise on IP valuation and related matters

- **Ecosystem building**
  Accumulate market implementation experience to refine IP financing products and services, standards and practices over time by testing the full lifecycle of IP financing

Supporting measures under the Chief Executive's 2025 Policy Address

A. Patent valuation support to enterprises (from 2026)[1]
through the Hong Kong Technology and Innovation Support Centre

- **Patent evaluation**
  Based on national standards for assessing the overall quality of the patent covering its legal, technical and economic perspectives

- **Pilot funding support for valuation**
  A two-year programme to provide funding support to enterprises in engaging external service providers to conduct valuation of their patent assets using universally accepted methods (income, market or cost approach)

B. Capacity building for banks

- Tailor-made IP training for banking practitioners, covering various topics on IP categories, protection, financing, valuation, and more, organised by IPD in collaboration with The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers and other industry stakeholders

[1] Details to be provided on IPD's website in due course