# SAIP's Efforts for Responding to the 4<sup>th</sup> Industrial Revolution

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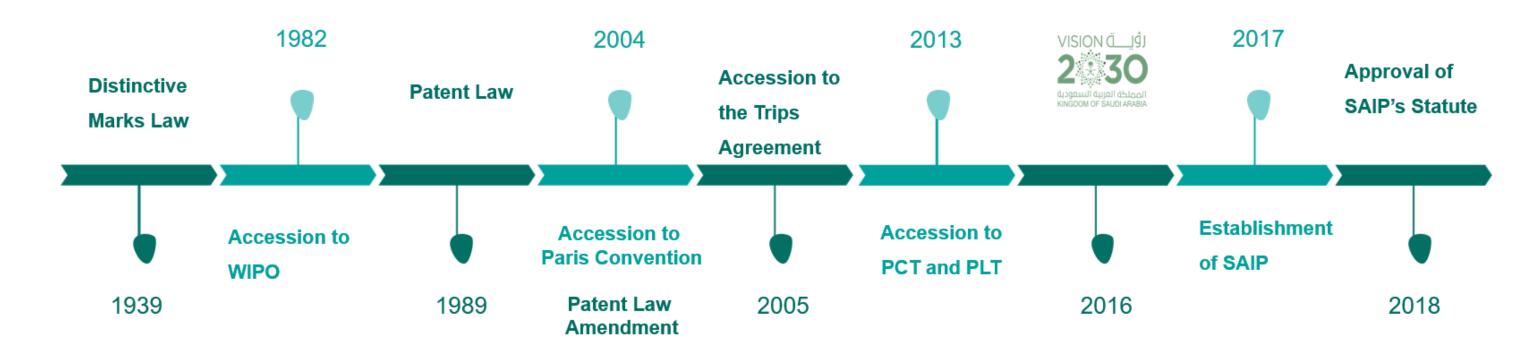


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## IP in Saudi Arabia





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is to promote local innovation and to improve competitiveness of the supporting in their

responsible for the country's ΙP strategy and for coordinating its implementation in collaboration with all relevant authorities.



### Updating examination guidelines and Reforming IP laws

The guideline discusses various legal provisions relating to patentability for computer-implemented inventions, including technologies of the 4th Industrial Revolution. The procedures to be adopted by the SAIP during the examination of these applications were also discussed. Various examples relating to these topics are also included in order to better understand the issues involved from the SAIP's perspective.

### What is an invention?

- The Saudi patent law generally defines the term "invention" as an idea developed by the inventor that results in a solution of a certain problem in the field of technology (Article 2 of Saudi patent law).
- patent law is applicable to inventions in any field of technology without discrimination

### What is NOT an invention?

The following shall not be regarded as **inventions** (Article 45 - Saudi patent law):

- a) discoveries, scientific theories, mathematical methods:
- b) Schemes, rules and methods of conducting commercial activates, exercising pure mental activities or playing a game;

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## Introducing New Program

### Fast- Track Examination (F.T.E.) Program

Targeted products and technological fields of the F.T.E profile<sup>m</sup>National Industrial Development and Logistics Program aims to transform the Kingdom into a leading industrial powerhouse and a global logistics hub, by maximizing the value of its mining and energy sectors while unlocking the full potential of local content and the 4th Industrial Revolution (4IR).

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