## The Role of WIPO in Supporting Innovating SMEs

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#### WIPO in Pills



What's WIPO

#### What's his Mandate

- IP protection in the World
- Promotion of an IP culture
- Demystification of IP
- International cooperation with IP Offices and institutions
- Supporting the development of the IP knowledge in the less industrialized countries
- etc....

#### ./.. WIPO in Pills....

– 182 Member States





- The Management of 23 Treaties on IP
  - IP Protection
  - Global system protection
  - Agreements concerning the international classification and registration of intangibles assets

#### - Support vis à vis of:

- Intangibles protection
- Development of IP regulation world wide
- Cooperation with member state

#### Roadmap

1) Knowledge Economy

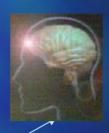
2) IP and SMEs

3) WIPO and SMEs



#### Knowledge Economy

Intellectual capital at the heart of the new economy



Intangibles:
Ideas, Designs,
TM, Logos,

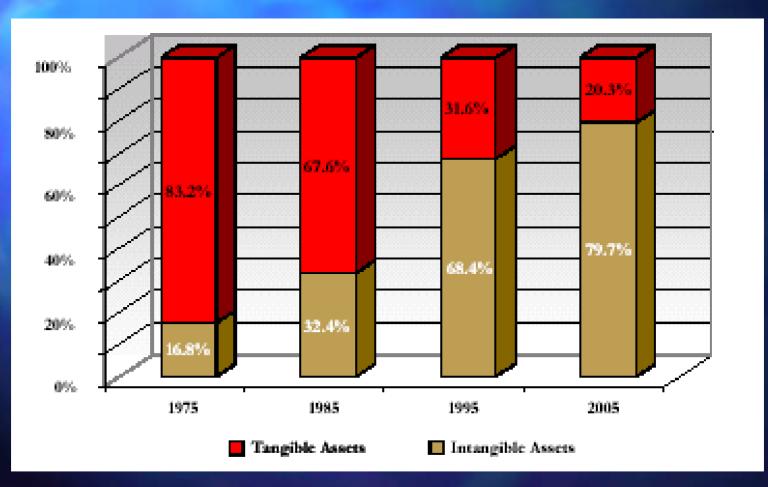
MARKET DEVELOPMENT



Tangibles:

Factor of production: Land, Labor and Capital

# ./.. Knowledge Economy: Il valore degli intangibili nel tempo, l'esempio statunitense



#### TP and SMEs

- Dominant Position of Intangibles assets in the new Economy
- 90% of enterprises existing in the market are SMEs
  - Presence in the market
  - Employment
  - GDP
- 70% of products and services produced every day belong to SMEs
- However, the use of the IP system from SMEs is dramatically low 2%
  - Weak knowledge of the IP system;
  - The system is considered to be too complex and articulated, need for external experts:
     Lawyers or Agents;
  - The system is perceived as expensive for SMEs, accessible only to gin enterprises.

#### ./.. IP and SMEs

Partnerships, R&D

Research Agreement

#### PATHOLOGIQUE APPORACH TO THE IP SYSTEM

Limited knowledge of the IP system: the Use of the IPRs is limited to the fight against unscrupulous competitors counterfeiters

Static Approach

Exploitation

#### DYNAMIQUE EXPLOITATION OF THE IP SYSTEM:

The IP system become crucial in supporting the enterprise 's market development

**Exclusive Right** 

Patent

Trademark

New sources of income

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Licensing

Design
Internet:
Domain Names

Franchising

Merchandising

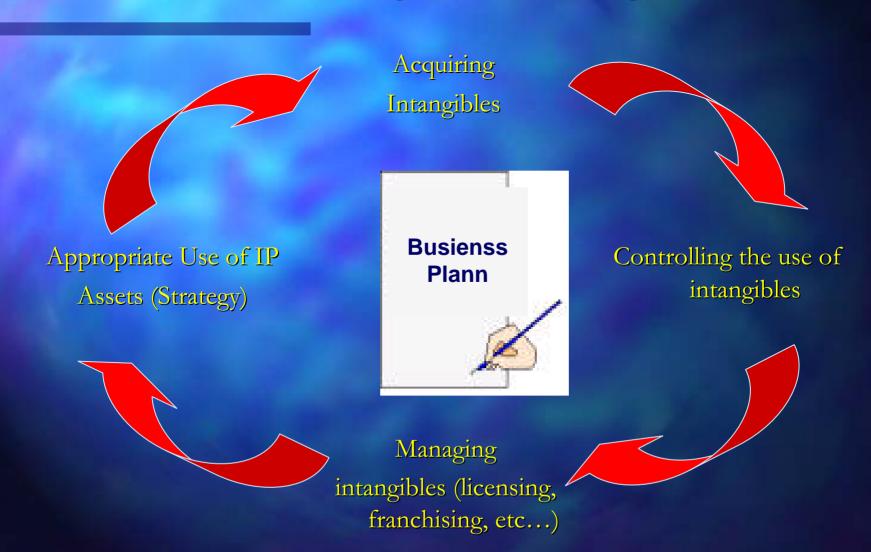
IP for Finance

•Public Investors : CE, Government,

Universities, etc..

•Private Investors: Banks, Business Angels, etc.

#### ./.. Intangibles Management



## Some WIPO activities to bridge the innovation gap of innovating stakeholders



#### ./.. WIPO support to SMEs

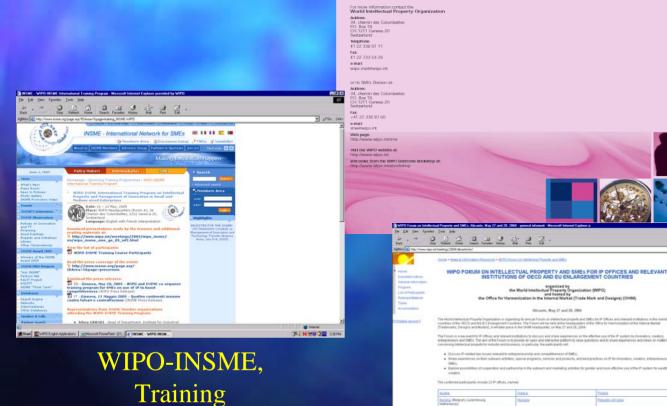
- Mandate: Generate awareness amongst SMES on the business use of IP assets
- SMEs information and Education: Conference, Seminars, Workshops,
- Education Material: Guide, Brochures on the business use of IP
- SMEs website: more than 1500 pages on the business use of IP assets www.wipo.int/sme/
- Studies and Researches related to the use and development of IP

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- Conferences
- Seminars and Training
- Distance learning

### ./.. WIPO support to SMEs Educational Activities

OMPI-Italy: Forum on IP and competitivness of SMEs in the textile sector

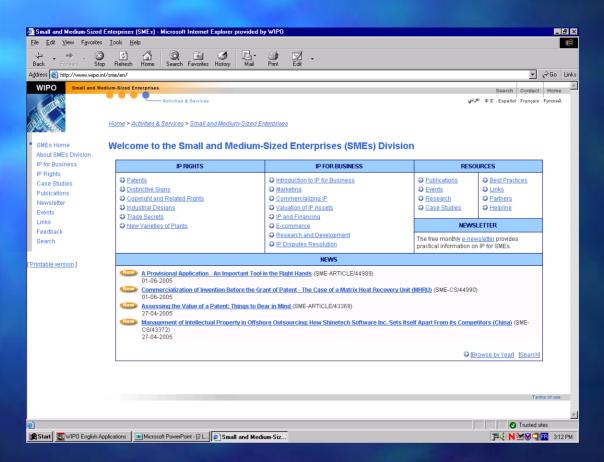




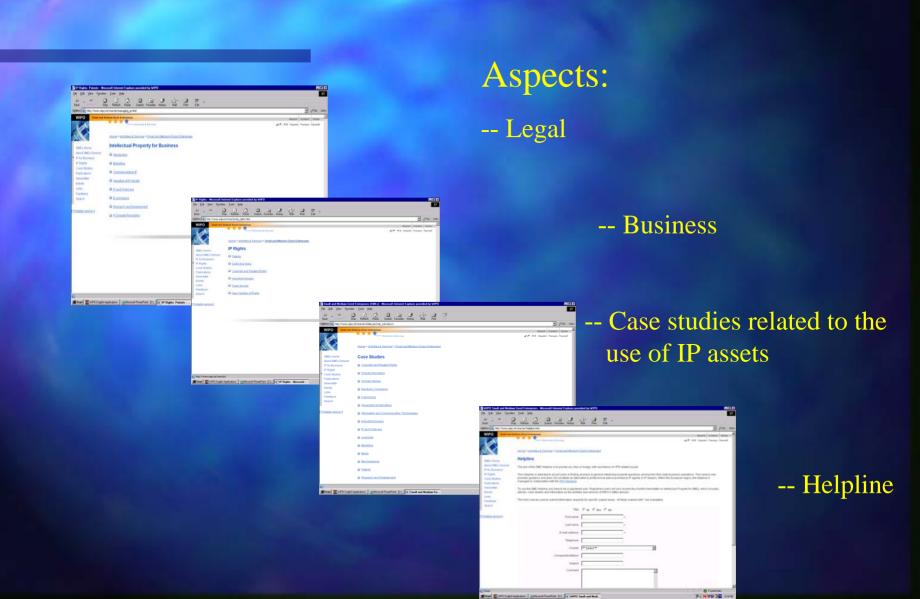
Discussion circles amongst IP institutions (IP Offices, Institutions)

THE MERCHANING

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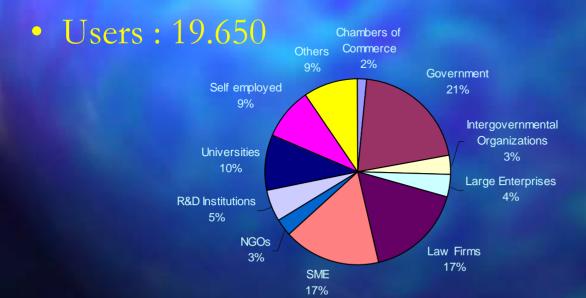


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- Monthly Publication in 6 languages
- created in August 2001





#### **Publications**

#### IP for business series





Studies on the use of IP in given countries (Tunisia, Norway)



#### Specific sector and IP



#### Thank you!

WIPO, SMEs website: <a href="www.wipo.sme/int">www.wipo.sme/int</a>
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<u>Trademark:</u>
"Google"

<u>bi-tridimensional TM:</u>
Shape of the logo

Patent:
Algorithm for searching in the Internet (patent granted only in few countries, other country provide protection for software)

Google

Trade Secret:
Starting
research and
flop
investigations

Industrial Design: for merchandising and for the tri-dimensional shape of the logo

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Agbani Darego

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#### **Pickwick**



- An Italian entrepreneur who has created an attractive logo, applied on textile products (denims, shirts, etc.).
- The company has no tangible assets, all business in managed from the garage of his apartment
- After 5 years from the start, and through an active licensing strategy in Italy and in Europe, the business activity has over-passed 20 MI € per year.

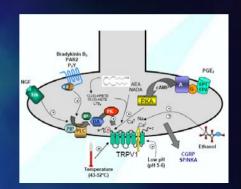






- An Inventor who has created a innovative technique to extract from the cork a natural fabric, soft like the silk
- The Invention was protected in the country and then extended through the international Patent System PCT in many other countries: Australia, USA, Europe
- It has registered also the Suberis TM in few countries using the TM International Registration system (Madrid System).
- The enterprise has also registered a domain name and created an Internet portal <u>www.suberis.it</u>
- Thanks to its investments in protecting the intellectual capital generated, Suberis got <u>3ML EURO</u> from the Italian Government

## PHARMAESTE: A biotech case Study;



- Biotech spin-off from the University of Ferrara
- > The research is aimed to treat pathologies as neuropathic pain, overactive bladder and other sensory neurons-mediated diseases.
- > Generally medical (biotech) research requires long development times (10-15 years) with high costs (€ 10-15 million): IP protection is thus one of the most decisive factors for the success of a spin-off, but IP is also Very expensive:
- > Funding: Pharmaeste started with EURO 200.000, because of the accent put by researches on the IP system, Pharmaeste was able to raise considerable venture funds in a very short period of time:

Financial resources raised for the different development phases:

- 1. Phase 1 (toxicity verification) €6 million (January 2007)
- 2. Phase 2 (efficacy verification) €12 million (September 2008)
- 3. Phase 3 (clinical experimentation) €20 million



# Risonanza Magnetica (Magnetic Resonance Imaging-MRI)

- BTG da pubblico a privato: Istituto britannico per la commercializzazione dei risultati scientifici delle università UK
- MRI, Tecnolgia sviluppata da tre Università UK: Nottingham (Peter Mansield, Premio nobel per la Medicina nel 2003), Aberdeen, e Oxford
  - Nel generare tale tecnologia la BTG ha combinato le tre tecnologie, introducendo alcune migliorie
- BTG si è incaricato di sviluppare commercialmente la tecnologia tramite accordi di licenza mirati in tutto il mondo
- Tra il 1986 e il 1989 il 99% degli MRI erano licenziati su tecnologia BTG, I principali licenziatari erano: Marconi, Siemens Toshiba, Hitaci, GE, Bruker, Fonar, Shimadzu, Esaote.
- Attraverso la strategia adottata da BTG per gli accordi di Licenza, la BTG ha distribuito sino ad ora \$64 Ml.

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