

TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER SUPPORT AT NATIONAL LEVEL

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INTRODUCTION

technology transfer (TT) = the translation of the new knowledge latent in an invention into practical life

National Infrastructure for Supporting Technology Transfer in Slovakia – NITT SK, a national project:

- ★ principal investigator – the Slovak Centre of Scientific and Technical Information (SCSTI) ★ co-financed from the EU SF, Operational Programme R&D ★ a total budget of €8.2 million ★ implementation period 6/2010 – 12/2014 ★ target group – Slovak public research institutions, i.e. universities, Slovak Academy of Sciences, public research institutes

NITT SK's strategic goal – to establish and implement the **National System for Supporting Technology Transfer (NSPTT)** in state-funded research institutions with **three specific objectives** serving to achieve the strategic goal

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NITT SK – Specific objective 1 Specialised services in IPR – intellectual rights protection, TT – technology transfer & commercialisation & Information exchange platform

- ★ establishing & operating *Technology Transfer Centre at SCSTI* (2011) ★ establishing & operating *National Centre for Supporting Technology Transfer in Slovakia & Patent Fund* ★ introducing a mechanism for *National System for Supporting Technology Transfer in Slovakia* (2013) ★ operating **National Portal for Technology Transfer** (2012)

National Portal for Technology Transfer serves CTTs, research institutions, students and firms



- ★ gateway to support services
- ★ gateway to technological databases
- ★ gateway to information resources
- ★ gateway to e-TTbulletin

- ★ source of template documents
- ★ source of methodological materials
- ★ information on TT and IP events
- ★ profiles of Slovak R&D institutions

National Portal for Technology Transfer as source of grey literature resulting from NITT SK



- ★ educational materials from seminars on technology transfer and IPR
- ★ model agreements and contracts ★ methodological materials ★ model guidelines ★ analytical studies ★ state-of-the art reviews

- ★ legislative documents ★ periodical project-monitoring reports ★ questionnaires

- ★ reports related to industrial property searches

- ★ datasets of Slovak Technical Standards



- ★ reports from business trips ★ patents and IP-related documents ★ books of abstracts from Conference NITT SK – Technology Transfer in Slovakia and



NITT SK – Specific objective 2 Information & Communication services

- ★ operating Integrated System of Services (ISS) providing ★ easy, user-friendly and efficient access to ★ high-capacity data storage and ★ high-speed hardware facilities equipped with ★ modern scientific software applications (e.g. MATLAB)

NITT SK – Specific objective 3 Education & Popularisation

- ★ training courses, seminars and conferences on IPR & TT ★ editing and publishing e-TTbulletin ★ organising events and exhibitions ★ submitting articles to news & journals ★ scientific & popularising TV and radio programmes

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CONCLUSIONS

- ★ the number of requests from public research institutions for provision of specialised services has been increasing as has the number of research institutions now covering the whole of Slovakia. This has resulted in more extensive production of those categories of grey literature which are related to industrial property
- ★ the future for patent and similar industrial property-related documents as categories of grey literature lies in its greater exploitation for evaluating the innovation capabilities of research institutions and countries

