Workshop on IP Patents, trademarks



Programme

- Use of IP in Business
- Patent
- Utility models
- Design
- Copyright
- Trademark
- Innovation process

What does IP mean?

Trademarks Patents

Designs Utility models Includes also: Copyright Unfair Competition Business Secrets Manuals Domain names etc...

Use of IP in Business

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IP in Summary

Law	Covers	Registration	Duration
Patent	Technical	Yes	20 years
Utility Model	Technical	Yes	10 years
Design	Look	Yes/No	5 x 5 years
Trademark	Brand name of product or service	Yes/No	10 years x for ever
Copyright	Artistic and literary works/software	No	life + 70 years thereafter

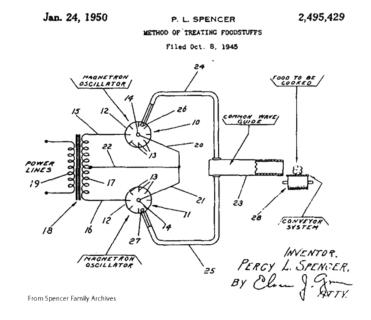
What is a Patent?

You can say it is:

 An agreement between the inventor and society

Alternative definition (legal):

 A patent is an exclusive right to commercially exploit the invention in this country. Protection up to 20 years



Exclusive rights

Forbid others commercially to:

- produce, sell, work, use,
- import, possess the invention

The exclusive right does not extend to:

- acts performed for non-commercial purposes
- acts performed for experimental purposes
- Individual production of a medicinal product at a pharmacy

What is patentable?

Patents are granted for inventions which are technical, that is inventions which are capable of being industrially exploitable

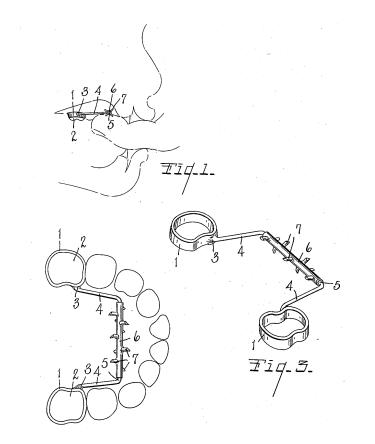
What can be patented?

- A Product
- The apparatus for producing the product
- The process
- The use

What cannot be patented?

- Computer programmes
- Medical and surgical treatments
- Mathematical methods
- Business methods
- Discoveries
- Aesthetic creations
- New species of plant or animal
- Inventions which are contrary to moral standards and public order (e.g. instruments of torture)
- The human body and any non-separate part/s thereof

Contrary to moral standards?



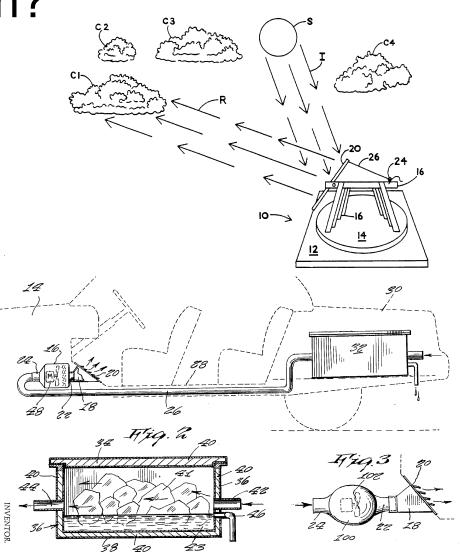
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- A technical teaching which defines a relation between technical features and technical effect
- Has to be reproducible

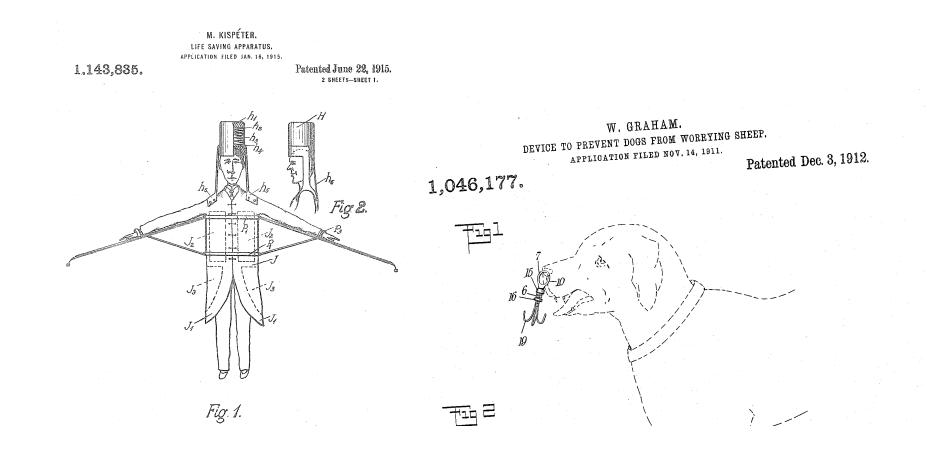
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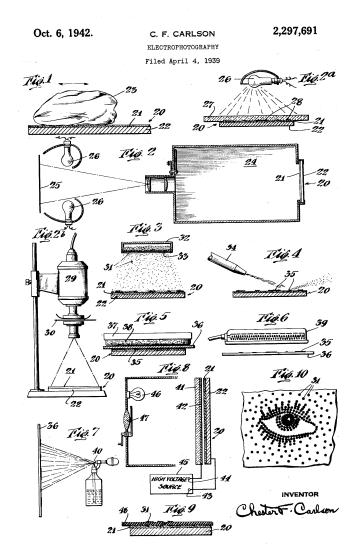
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Inventions are often concerned with every-day problems or "trends"



Inventors are ahead of their time!

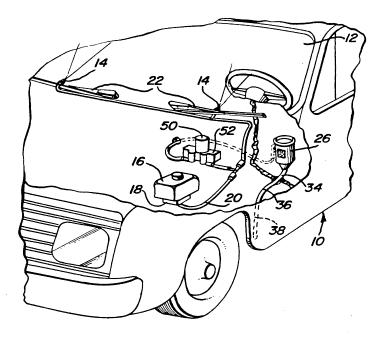


The patentable invention must be:

- Capable of industrial application
- New / Novelty
- Significantly different from that which is already known

Industrial application

- The invention must have at least one practical purpose and must be reproducible
- There is no evaluation of quality or economical factors!
- Only the technical qualities are relevant



Novelty

- Novelty: An objective, global demand
- New in relation to that which is <u>known prior</u> to the date of filing the application
- Known = general availability through the written word, spoken word (lectures, etc.), usage, etc.
- Disclosure agreement

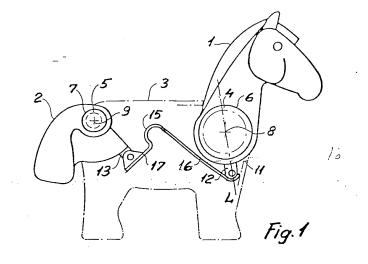
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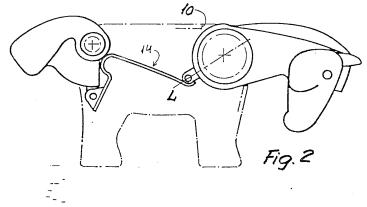
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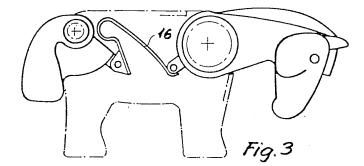
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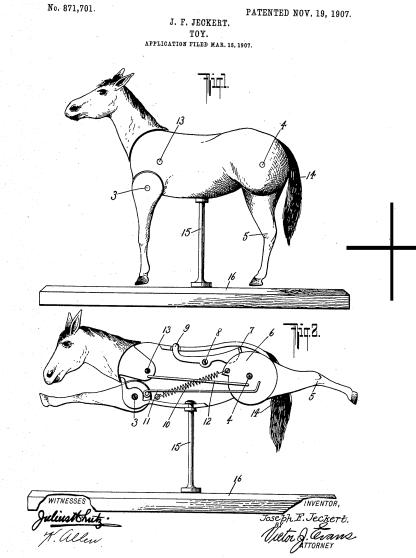
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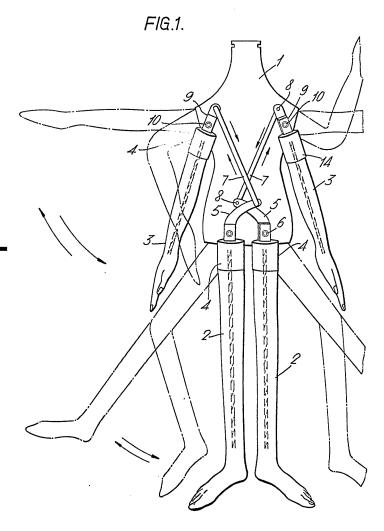






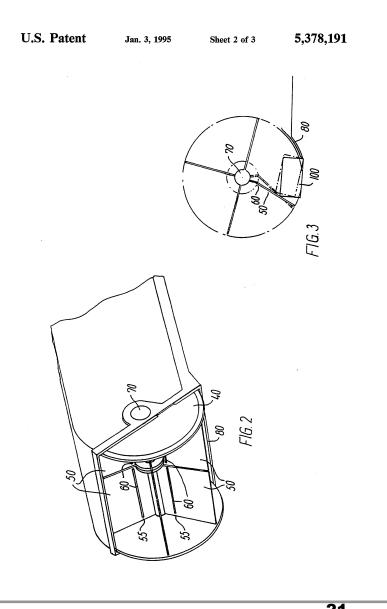
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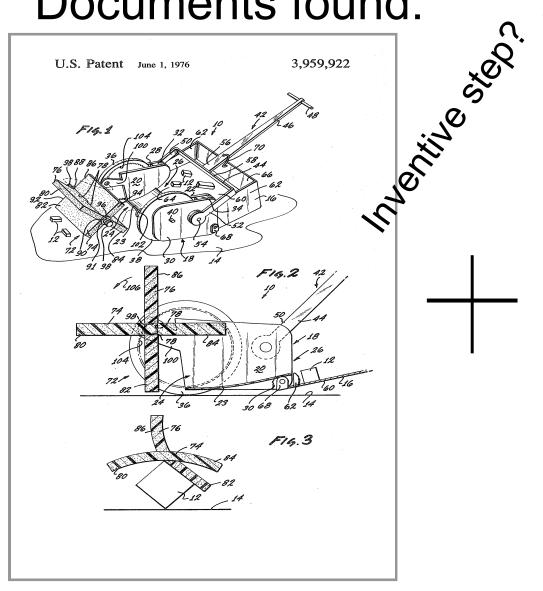


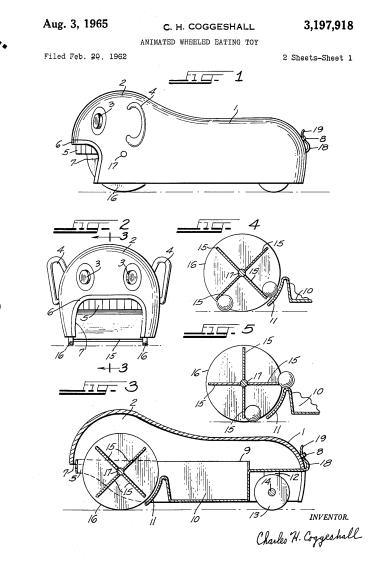
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75] Inventor: Jan Ryaa, Billund, Denmark	3,777,462 12/1973 Sharp et al
73] Assignee: Interlego AG, Baar, Switzerland	3,959,922 6/1976 Leistikow
1] Appl. No.: 70,437	3,986,324 10/1976 Harriott et al 56/32
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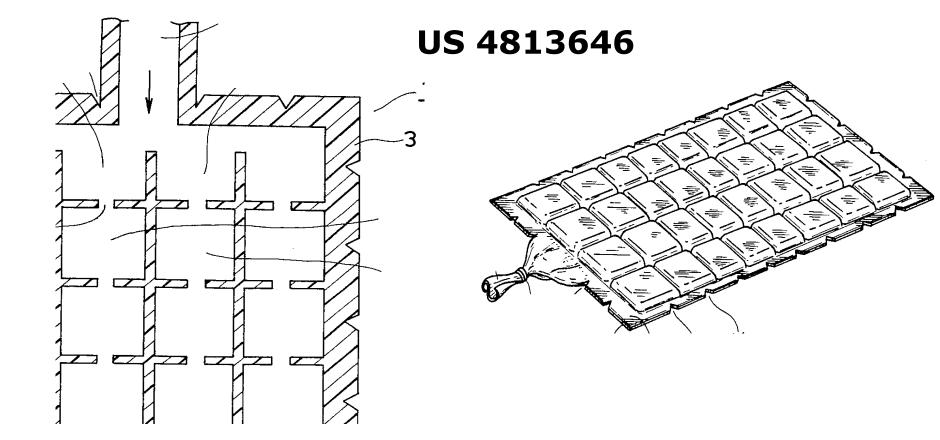


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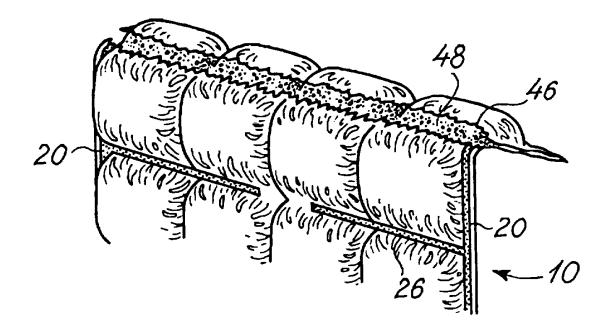


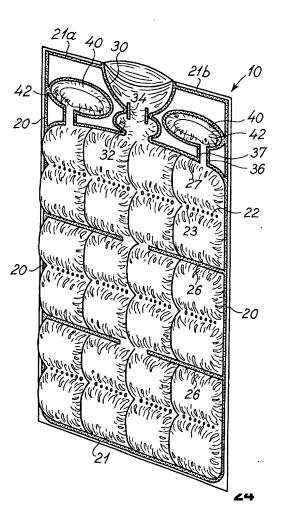
Prior art – the known technical solution:



Invention:

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Utility Model

The "Patent-system" for smaller inventions

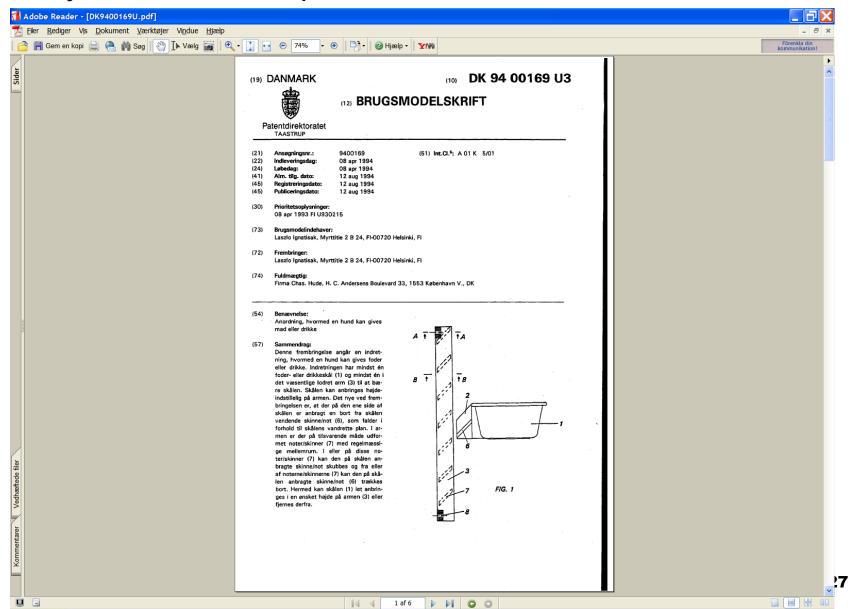
Conditions:

- Solve a technical problem
- New
- Inventive step
- Often used for inventions concerning:
 - Household goods
 - Hand tools
 - Furniture

Utility Models - example

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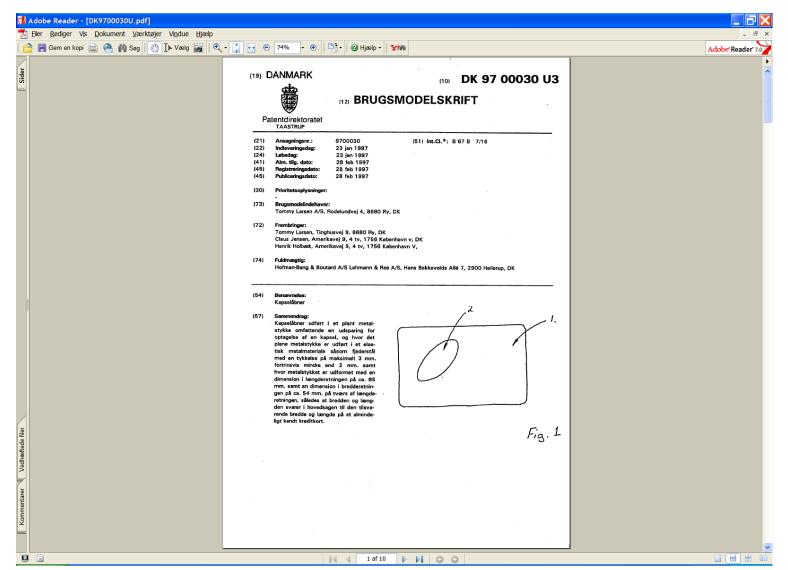
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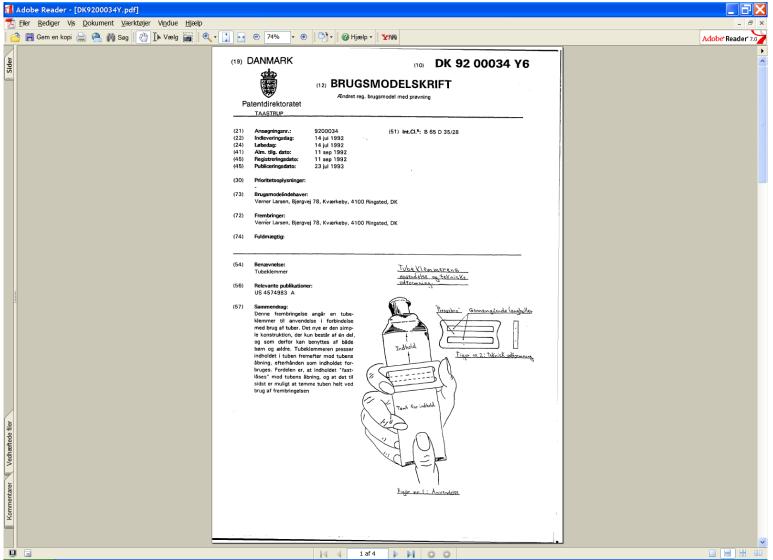
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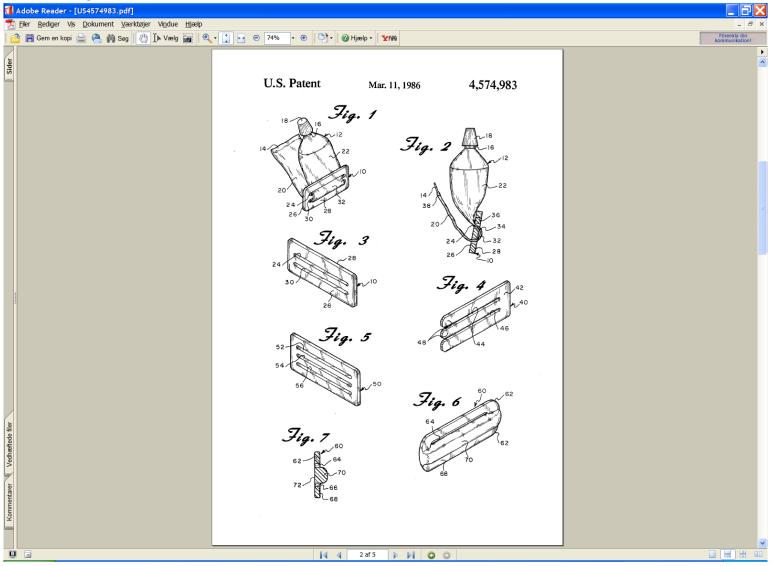
Registration – no search in DK

- The integration between the patent and the utility model systems
 - Priority
 - Conversion



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Why a Utility Model?

- Protects minor inventions excluded from patent protection
- Protects inventions where a shorter protection period is required
- Speedy protection
- Easy
- Cheap

Practicalities

- Aby uzyskać patent na wynalazek lub prawo ochronne na wzór użytkowy należy złożyć zgłoszenie, które powinno obejmować:
- podanie zawierające oznaczenie zgłaszającego, określenie przedmiotu zgłoszenia oraz wniosek o udzielenie patentu lub prawa ochronnego
- opis wynalazku/wzoru ujawniający jego istotę,
- zastrzeżenie lub zastrzeżenia
- skrót opisu
- rysunki, wzory chemiczne itp.
 Wnieść opłatę (500 zł)

International patent systems

Basic principle:

Patent in each country

The systems:

- Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)
- European Patent Convention (EPC)
- Other regional systems (OAPI, ARIPO, EURASIAN)



European Patent (EPC)

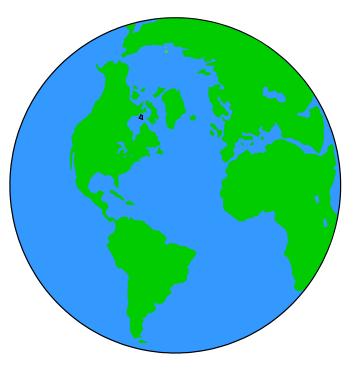
- Single place of filing
- Single place of completion
- Single place of granting
- More economical than group of countries



Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

- Single place of filing
- International novelty and patentability search
- Finial decision for countries

Main advantage: Postponement for 31 months



International Fees

EPC-fees

Filing fee € 95 (paper - € 170)



- Novelty international search fee € 1,615
- Designation fees for each state stipulated in the application € 80
- Examination fee € 1,335 / 1,490

Upon validation in the individual countries, filing fees and annual fees become payable to each country. In addition there are application fees and translation costs



Cost of a sample European Patent¹

EPO Fees: EUR 4 400 • procedural fees before the EPO • renewal fees for 3 rd and 4 th year <i>Percentage of total:</i> 14 %	Tetel cost:	Validation in the contracting states:EUR6 6504 translations• attorneyEUR2 850• attorneyEUR3 400• translation costEUR3 400• publication feesEUR400Percentage of total:21 %
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• translation of claims EUR 530		payment of renewal fees EUR 5 300
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Patents



Consequences of infriging

If you infringe someone else's patent, you may risk:

- Injunction, which means that all your products may be removed from the market
- Destruction of your products
- Paying damages to the patent owner
- Being given a fine, e.g. the Kodak vs. Polaroid case
- Being sentenced to imprisonment (in gross cases)

Why patent?

То

- provide insurance for one's invention and investments in developing technology
- prevent others from patenting the invention and secure one's place in the market
- attract investors for further development, and to hold on to current investors
- sell the patent rights in the future as a single commodity or business
- marketing value

Thank you for your attention!

Search workshop

- How to use patent databases
- Presentation of Espacenet
- Presentation of Polish Database

Exercises