MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAMME IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW (LL.M.)

Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, Iustinianus Primus Law Faculty, Skopje, Macedonia

University of Strasbourg, Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI), Strasbourg, France
The LL.M. in intellectual property law provides a wide-ranging and focused knowledge of the IP theory and practice. Besides the onsite teaching, video conferencing, e-learning and distance learning activities are being used.

The 21st century marks a new era as our economies increasingly rely on knowledge-based production processes and services. Consequently, the institutions responsible for education and research in the field of intellectual property law in Europe must provide appropriate training for staff from the respective professional environments to acquire or reinforce their ability to initiate, control, protect, exploit and increase the value of intangible assets.

The knowledge-based economy integrates research and development activities, innovation, industrialization and the marketing of products and services including intangible assets and completely changes the enterprise management. It creates new professions specialized in dealing with intangible assets: this branch of law attracts consultants and intellectual property experts from among managers, jurists and lawyers.

Every innovation process generated by new economic activities assumes the intervention of the law, the installation of tools and structures for developing or planning in order to control the intangible assets and to optimize their valorization.

The studies are established within the Tempus project 144582-2008, financed by the European Commission.
The reasons for establishment of the programme emerged from the urgent need for graduate education (Master studies in Intellectual Property Law) in the region of South Eastern Europe as indispensible tool to professionals in achievement of intellectual property rights (IPRs) protection appropriate to EU standards. The present situation is associated with a high degree of IPRs infringement and piracy, although the legislation is in accordance with the EU legislation.

The studies take place at the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje, Iustinianus Primus Faculty of Law.

The European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN), which is composed of:

- Centre for International Intellectual Property (CEIPI) at the University of Strasbourg;
- Magister Lucentinvs at the University of Alicante;
- Queen Mary Intellectual Property Research Institute London, and
- Munich Intellectual Property Law Center (MIPLC), LL.M. Programme,

participates in the programme by providing visiting professors and scholars with outstanding expertise in IP teaching.

Students that will graduate at the studies are expected to implement their knowledge in their work as IPRs professionals (in companies, enforcement agencies, judiciary, IP agents etc.) and deal with various aspects of intellectual properties rights protection. The project is expected to achieve higher degree of IPRs protection and reduction of infringement cases, as well as higher awareness for the importance of intellectual property.
Partner Universities and Institutions

- Ss. Cyril and Methodius University, Justinianus Primus Law Faculty, Skopje (Macedonia)
- Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies (CEIPI) at the University of Strasbourg and the other constituencies of the European Intellectual Property Institutes Network (EIPIN)
- University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki (Greece)
- World Intellectual Property Organisation Academy
- St. Kliment Ohridski University, Sofia (Bulgaria)
- University of Belgrade, Faculty of Law (Serbia)
- University of Nis, Faculty of Law (Serbia)
- St. Kliment Ohridski University Bitola, Faculty of Security (Macedonia)
- FON University Skopje (Macedonia)
- State University of Tetovo (Macedonia)
- Industrial Property Protection Office of Macedonia (Macedonia)
- State Market Inspectorate of Macedonia (Macedonia)
- Associations of IP Agents (Macedonia)
## Structure of the Master Programme

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<td>Introduction to Intellectual Property Law; Patents; Trademarks &amp; Geographical Indications; Copyright and Related Rights; Industrial Designs.</td>
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The LL.M students are typically members of the following target groups: graduates in law, economics, engineering, social sciences, humanities or arts; employees in the intellectual property protection offices; enforcement competent for IPRs enforcement; judges, lawyers and IPRs agents.

**Teaching methodology**

The teaching approach is according to the CEIPI specialized post-graduate programmes, that typically provide a more comprehensive, specialized knowledge of the theory and practice of intellectual property law.

The programme goes into great depth on the theoretical underpinnings of the law of intellectual property. The programme focuses on the acquisition and protection of intellectual property rights, and also includes practical classes taught by experienced practitioners, covering actual techniques of prosecution of applications for intellectual property rights and litigation to enforce those rights.
The lecturers’ list include professors from the partner universities as well as other institutions and organizations relevant in the IP field:

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The LL.M programme in Intellectual Property Law takes place at the Justinianus Primus Faculty of Law, a member of the University Ss. Cyril and Methodius in Skopje. The programme has its own premises comprised of a large technically equipped classroom, a computer centre for the students and an IP library, updated with the latest literature and access to data bases in the field of intellectual property and related disciplines. The Faculty is located in the heart of downtown Skopje, easily accessible by public transportation.

Each student is provided with personal electronic card and access code for most of the academic and administrative and services (applications, submissions, exam results), so that they can be done online.
Students at the LL.M programme are assisted by the Iustinianus Primus Law Faculty staff in finding appropriate accommodation for the purpose of activities during the residential part of the program (teaching and classes and exams) according to the needs and plans of the students. Accommodation is offered at apartments or studios at university residences. Private housing is also possible.

For the prices and offers please contact: ip@pf.ukim.edu.mk.

Famous for its natural beauties and cultural monuments, Macedonia offers a great variety of educational, business, touristic, and leisure activities. Known as the land of cleanest and deepest lakes in the Balkans (Ohrid, Prespa and many others), high mountains ideal for skiing and hiking, great organic food and wines, craftworks, unique folk music, Macedonia has been an attractive destination. Located in the heart of South Eastern Europe, due to the unique geographical location, the country is easily reachable by air or ground. Macedonia is a cradle of archeological sites from antiquity, the land where St. Paul the Apostle preached, and a treasury of Byzantine churches and monasteries. Macedonian culture is also enriched by the period of the Ottoman rule (mosques and hamams) and Jewish monuments. Macedonian cities, towns, villages, lakes, mountains and rivers are waiting for you.
The Capital of Macedonia is famous for its mixture of cultures, the Vardar river, the nearby underwater cave, the castle and the old bazaar, the Vodno mountain, the Millennium Cross, the Stone bridge and the numerous monuments. Tourists and visitors consider Skopje as the city with the reahest night life in the Balkans. Skopje gave the world many notable people such as Justinian the Great, the last Roman and the first Byzantine emperor, and the patron of the Skopje Law Faculty to whom the world owns the principles of the modern private law. Skopje is also the birth place of Mother Theresa (Agnes Gondza Bojadzi) one of the most important personalities in modern Christianity.

For more information on Macedonia please visit:
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Double Degree Programme (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property Law offered by the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University (Iustinianus Primus Law Faculty) and the University of Strasbourg (Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies)

The Iustinianus Primus Law Faculty at the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje and the Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies at the University of Strasbourg, are organizing a Master’s Degree Programme (LL.M.) in Intellectual Property Law, established through a Tempus project and supported by the European Commission.

The programme focuses on international and European perspectives of intellectual property (industrial property, copyright, neighboring rights and other related disciplines), indispensable to young professionals who wish to play a leading role in the area of intellectual property.

The working language of the programme is English. Upon satisfactory completion, students will receive an internationally recognized double degree awarded by the University of Strasbourg (Centre for International Intellectual Property Studies) and the Ss. Cyril and Methodius University (Iustinianus Primus Law Faculty).

Applicants are required to hold a Bachelor’s degree, preferably in law, economics, engineering, social sciences, humanities or arts. A total number of up to 80 participants will be admitted. The tuition for the entire programme is 2,000 EUR and is paid in four installments.

Applications are welcomed throughout the year. Interested applicants should submit a curriculum vitae, motivation letter, copies of university diploma and transcript, proof of English proficiency and other supporting documents.

Applications and supporting documents can be sent on-line: www.ip.ukim.edu.mk, by e-mail, or by postal mail.
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