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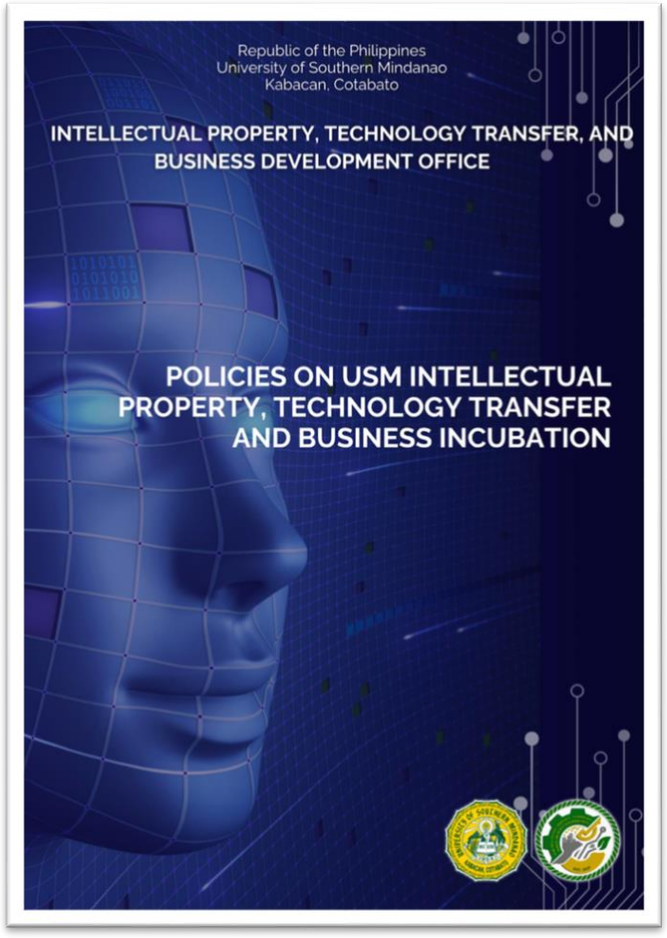
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The University of Southern Mindanao (USM) recognizes intellectual property (IP) protection and technology transfer as essential components of its research, development, extension, and resource generation initiatives. As a state university committed to innovation and inclusive development, USM promotes the generation of research outputs, the protection of intellectual property, and the utilization of technologies to address the needs of communities, industries, and other stakeholders. These initiatives are aligned with the University's core values of Goodness, Responsiveness, Excellence, Assertion of right, and Truth (GREAT).

To institutionalize these efforts, USM has established a policy framework comprising the Revised Intellectual Property Policy of 2025, Technology Transfer Protocol, and Technology Business Incubation Policy. These policies provide the guidelines and mechanisms for protecting intellectual property, facilitating the transfer and application of research-based technologies, and supporting the development of innovations with commercial potential.

The Revised Intellectual Property Policy of 2025 guides the ownership, protection, management, and utilization of intellectual property generated within the University. The Technology Transfer Protocol complements this by providing mechanisms for transferring research outputs and technologies to intended beneficiaries through partnerships, extension activities, licensing, commercialization, and other appropriate arrangements. Meanwhile, the Technology Business Incubation Policy supports the development of viable enterprises from promising research outputs through mentoring, access to facilities, business development assistance, and linkages with industry and potential markets.

Through this integrated policy framework, USM seeks to ensure that research outputs extend beyond academic and scientific contributions and translate into practical applications, social benefits, and economic opportunities. These policies reinforce the University's commitment to responsible innovation, stronger research partnerships, technology utilization, and sustainable resource generation, ultimately advancing its role as a catalyst for inclusive growth and development in Southern Philippines.



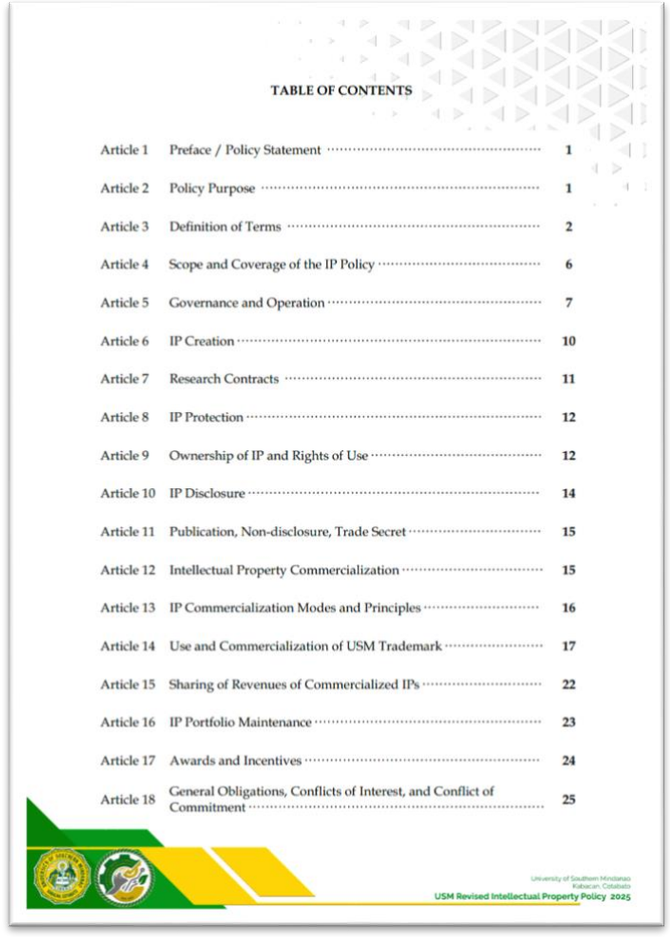


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