

Kyoto University Business-Academia Collaboration Policy

Kyoto University, as a leading academic and research institution, continues to grow on the basis of the principle that the institution should create world-class intelligence through research activities supported with respect for autonomy and high-standard ethics. Along with strengthening ties with its surrounding community and deepening international partnership, the institution should also contribute to harmonious coexistence with the global community as an open source of knowledge and disseminate the knowledge to share with the community. Thus, it is considered to be an integral role of the university to make research results available to the public and return intellectual assets back to the society. In addition, it is a great responsibility of a national university to give further contribution in increasing public awareness of the research results and promoting implementation of the intellectual assets. With succession and development of the basic principle, Kyoto University should play an important role in the society in promoting the business-academia collaboration research activities and enhancing practical exploitation and actual utilization of intellectual property resulting from research achievements. The university believes that it is its mission to not only help bring both national and international contribution through these collaborative projects but also develop education and research activities to foster rich human resources that will meet global needs.

Herein the Kyoto University Business-Academia Collaboration Policy shall provide the following:

- i The institution shall encourage creation of the world-class intelligence, provide technology innovation, and actively promote social contribution through the business-academia collaborative research activities, attaching importance to fundamental research that will lay the groundwork for advanced creative research, and enhancing its role as a base for the learning of the highest standard.
- ii Under the all-campus organization, the institution shall promote the collaborative activities and manage exploitation of intellectual property in a manner that ensures transparency and accountability inside and outside the university.
- iii Under the flexible and coherent administration, the institution shall promote the business-academia collaborative activities and technology transfer to industry, and thus contribute to returning intellectual property generated at the university to the society.

Through these activities, the institution shall form and ignite intellectual and creative cycles that will be designed to reinforce the foundation for education and research activities within the university.

- iv When succeeding to intellectual property such as inventions and discoveries, the institution shall take serious consideration into the content and quality, the feasible application, and the characteristics of each academic field. With regard to obtaining the intellectual property right (IPR), the institution shall cooperate with business entities, technology licensing organizations (TLO), and other associate research institutions outside the university, and take necessary measures effectively and efficiently.
- v The institution shall effectively promote utilization of intellectual property to which it succeeds, enhance technology transfer to industry and seeds incubation, and develop human resource rich in venture spirit and creativity in collaboration with local communities, business circles as well as national and local governments, thereby leading to contribution to further growth of both the university and the society.
- vi Through promoting international business-academia collaborative activities, the institution shall strengthen the scheme for education and research at the university, and foster human resources with international perspectives so as to help intensify the nation's global competitiveness.
- vii Along with cooperating associate organizations both at home and abroad, the institution shall provide a practical system to implement efficient measures for the development of business-academia collaborative activities, as well as the acquirement and exploitation of intellectual property. The institution shall also endeavor to take cost effectiveness, compliance, and dispute avoidance into consideration.
- viii The institution shall separately define necessary articles to implement collaborative research activities as well as to obtain and exploit intellectual property, responding to social changes and needs.