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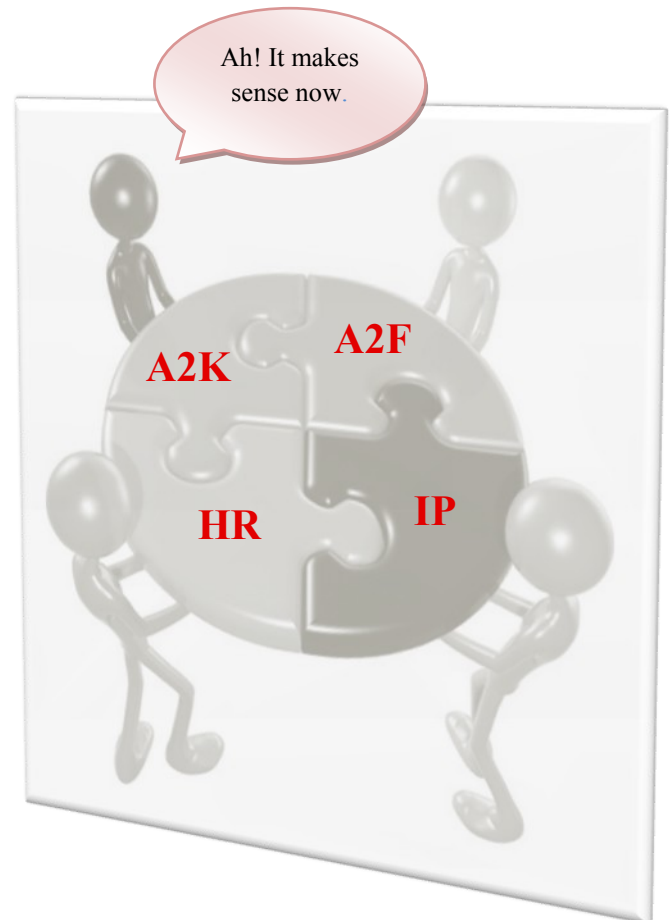
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Shall We Add Another 'Access'!

Access to knowledge (A2K) is a much discussed issue and its boundaries are frequently challenged by Intellectual Property (IP).

Some argue that A2K is a Human Right (HR), but has anyone ever explored how Access to Finance (A2F) is essential and can actually support A2K or on the other hand how A2K can support A2F?

In fact, this is a new horizon that the BA A2k Project and the IDLO Microfinance Program are currently exploring. Stay tuned for a new article on this topic very soon.



“Have a say on A2K, your input will make a difference.”

eIFL-IP Draft Law on Copyright

The eIFL-IP Draft Law on Copyright is a practical guide to assist librarians, as well as their legal advisors and policy makers, when

national laws are being updated. It contains provisions that support access to knowledge and the public interest of libraries and

consumers.





News Highlights



ACTA (Anti-Counterfeiting Trade Agreement)

July 20th, 2009

ACTA Talks May Open Up, Slightly

June 23rd, 2009

EU, US Consumer Groups Issue Resolution On Enforcement; Demand Role In ACTA

June 15th, 2009

Damages, Injunctions and Transparency Key Issues in ACTA Negotiations

“It is said that IP has been integrated in everyday life; from food to health and from education to entertainment. And now it is discussed in relation to environment too!”

CLIMATE CHANGE

July 28th, 2009

US Protectionism Increases Barriers to Climate-Friendly Technologies

July 14th, 2009

WIPO Looks At Mandate on IP and Climate Change

July 9th, 2009

G8: Amid Talks of Climate, Economy, Food and Health Lies IP & Innovation





Upcoming Events

- **Intellectual Property Rights and Development**
27 Sep 2009-28 Sep 2009

The workshop aims to give basic information about intellectual property, focusing on the latest topics on access to health and medicine in relation to intellectual Property Rights.

- **Copyright Protection in the Digital Age**
29 Sep 2009-01 Oct 2009

This workshop will focus on copyright issues & the new tools to access and disseminate knowledge.



Networking: Researchers from the Arab World

Dr Mohammed El Said

Lecturer in International Trade Law

Dr Mohammed El Said obtained his doctorate in 2005 from the University of Manchester for his research into the area of intellectual property rights.

Recent Publications: **The Development of Intellectual Property Protection in the Arab World**

“Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds.”

Albert Einstein



May we extend our sincere congratulations to **Dr. Anas Tawileh** on receiving his PhD

**A2k Toolkit I****CREATIVE COMMONS**

Anas Tawileh

Introduction

Creativity and innovation are essential ingredients for the development of human society. Scientific, economic and social evolutions require the orchestrated efforts of many intellectuals, working together on overcoming the challenges to human development and inventing novel concepts, theories, tools and technologies that can be effectively exploited to serve humanity and improve the well-being of society.

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**Recent Publications****BA A2K Toolkit II**

"The Access to knowledge movement: Opportunities, Challenges and the Road Ahead"

Another Kit of excellent pieces by experts four corners of the world, writing about their experience, their views, their expectations about the A2K movement. Yes! It is about challenges, opportunities and the "still" long road to go.

Coming in a few weeks!**Translated Material****Conceiving An International Instrument On Limitations And Exceptions To Copyright**Click [here](#) to view Arabic version**From TRIPS-minus to TRIPS to TRIPS-plus: Implications of IPRs for the Arab World**Click [here](#) to view Arabic version**Contact Details**

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