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# Intellectual Property Rights, Science and Innovation: Implications for Drug Discovery and the Health Sector

15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025 — Milan, Italy

## CALL FOR PAPERS

You are invited to submit a paper for the Workshop “Intellectual Property Rights, Science and Innovation: Implications for Drug Discovery and the Health Sector” to be held in Milan, Italy on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of September 2025, jointly organised by Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore (Milan) and Università di Torino (Turin). The workshop is supported by the Italian Ministry of University and Research and the European Union – Next Generation EU within the PRIN 2022 research project “The Role of the Public and Private Sectors in Pharmaceutical Breakthrough Innovations (3PBI)” (Grant Number 2022S4EAS9).

The Workshop aims to integrate ongoing research on Intellectual Property Rights, Science, and Innovation regarding the healthcare system and the development of new and innovative drugs. It will include interventions from invited speakers renowned in the field.

Research on innovation incentives in the pharmaceutical and health sectors has expanded significantly in the last decade, especially since 2019. Since the topic covers multiple research areas, this workshop aims to offer a comprehensive perspective. We welcome contributions from scholars exploring the economics of the pharmaceutical and healthcare sectors. We are especially interested in research focusing on: the impact of scientific research on innovation; the role of incentives, such as Intellectual Property Rights, in fostering the development of breakthrough drugs and products; and the influence of public policy and regulation on ensuring access to these innovations. Contributions from related disciplines are also welcome.

## Keynote speakers



Margaret Kyle holds the Chair in Intellectual Property and Markets for Technology at Mines Paris - PSL. She is also a member of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) and an academic affiliate of Cornerstone Research. Margaret is currently a member of the Conseil National de Productivité in France.



Bhaven N. Sampat is a Professor in Arizona State University's (ASU's) School for the Future of Innovation in Society and School of Public Affairs, and Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER). He is based at ASU's Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes (CSPO) in Washington DC, US.

## Organizational details

The Workshop will take place in Milan, Italy, within the premises of Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore and will span over two days. No fee is required, and accommodation costs may be covered (1 night; priority for PhD students and early career researchers).

## Important dates

**31<sup>st</sup> May, 2025:** Deadline for submission of extended abstracts

**15<sup>th</sup> June, 2025:** Notification of acceptance by the scientific committee

**31<sup>st</sup> August, 2025:** Deadline for submission of full papers

**15<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> September, 2025:** Workshop

## Submission instructions

Please fill in [this form](#) to submit your paper. Please list your co-authors (if any) and attach either a full paper or a 2/3 pages extended abstract. The scientific committee will select the contributions based on scientific quality and relevance for the research project.

## Organizing committee

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