

Background

Search- and advisory service at PRV
1947 – 2009

PRV InterPat

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- **SEARCHES**
 - Patent
 - Trade mark
 - Industrial design
- **WATCH SERVICE**
- **COPY SERVICE**
- **REGISTER INFORMATION (PRVLink)**
- **TRAINING COURSES**

Self supported service to:

- Industry
- SME:s
- Private inventors
- Organizations
- Universities
- etc

NEW INFORMATION POLICY for PRV

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”More service – less business”

Policy

1. Traditional search and advisory service

- Full cost coverage for value-added IPR-information and
- vocational training

- Novelty searches
- State of the art searches
- Patentability searches
- Validity searches
- Freedom to operate
- Technical survey
- Analyses
- Reports
- etc

- Vocational training
 - Courses
 - Seminars
 - Target groups
 - IPR experts
 - Consultants

Policy (cont.)

2. Disseminate information

- Free of charge
 - Part of PRV:s responsibility
 - Global trend, harmonize with EPO and OHIM

- Register information
- Documents
- Databases (PRVLink → "SE patent database")
- Paid fully or partly by application- and or registration fees
 - easy to access for the public
- Service in PRV:s library/reading room
- Study visits (max 2 hours)

Policy (cont.)

3. Subsidized – marginal cost coverage

- Grey area which is difficult to identify
 - Groups with limited financial conditions
 - Schools
 - Municipalities
 - etc