Technology Transfer Office

We connect research and innovation to generate economic and social value.

The Draghi and Letta Reports for the European Union reaffirm the fundamental importance of scientific research as a driver of economic and social development. The high number of publications in international journals is evidence of the excellence of research at our University. However, for research to generate value, businesses must be able to transform scientific results into new products and services that benefit society.

In this context, the Technology Transfer Office (TTO) plays a strategic role by connecting research with established companies and with startups created specifically to bring research results to market and maximise their impact.

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Our goal

We support researchers at Polimi throughout the different stages of the technology transfer process, from the protection and management of intellectual property to its commercialisation and market valorisation, including the creation of new entrepreneurial ventures.

> **“Scientific knowledge is our most valuable resource. Every day, we work to turn it into public value.”**
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> **Ivano Ciceri**
> Head of the Technology Transfer Office

The value we create

- **Patents**
  Filing and management of industrial property rights.
- **Technology development strategies**
  Technology Readiness Level (TRL) maturation plans, supporting progression towards real-world applications.
- **Valorisation tracks**
  Definition of the most suitable value creation pathways.
- **Connections**
  Relationships between researchers, companies, and investors.

Our approach

Legal experts, Technology Transfer Managers, and Innovation Managers work in an integrated way to support researchers along a structured pathway for the valorisation of research results. The approach of the TTO is based on a progressive process that starts with the identification of opportunities and leads to their application in the market and in society.

- **IDENTIFICATION -** of innovative potential
- **PROTECTION -** of intellectual property
- **DEVELOPMENT & MATURATION -** of technologies
- **TRANSFER -** to industry
- **CREATION -** of new entrepreneurial ventures

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What we do

An overview of the activities of the Technology Transfer Office of Politecnico di Milano: a bridge between academic research and industry.



Technology maturation (POC/TRL)

Activities focused on the maturation and validation of technologies to facilitate their application.



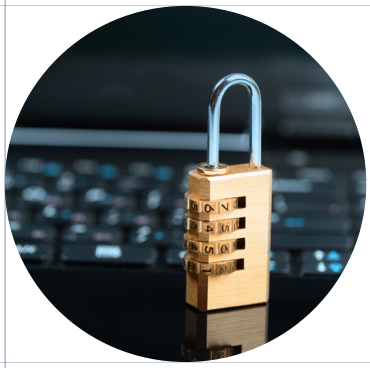
Scouting and evaluation

Identification and analysis of research results with innovation potential, in collaboration with Departments and researchers.



Industry collaboration for valorisation

Development of collaborations, licensing agreements, and technology transfer pathways.



Protection and management of research results

Support for defining strategies for the protection and management of industrial property rights.



Support for business creation

Evaluation of entrepreneurial potential for the creation of spin-offs and startups.

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Relations

The TTO supports researchers in the management of intellectual property, working in collaboration with the University offices and coordinating activities related to spin-offs. At the same time, it contributes to the development of Polimi's innovation ecosystem, engaging with stakeholders including institutions, patent offices, industry associations, incubators, and investors.

People

The **legal experts** negotiate and draft licensing agreements and intellectual property assignment contracts. They act as internal advisors on the most complex cases related to confidentiality and IP issues within contract research and funded research agreements. **Technology Transfer Managers** are responsible for the protection and management of industrial property rights arising from the research activities of specific Departments. **Innovation Managers** support research groups in exploring and accessing opportunities offered by the market.

Initiatives

Through dedicated support pathways, research groups are guided in identifying the most appropriate valorisation route — from intellectual property management to the development of new entrepreneurial ventures. The aim is to help them transform research results and innovative ideas into robust projects, defining a development roadmap aligned with the group's ambitions and with the opportunities offered by the market and the innovation ecosystem.

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Technologies & Patents

Explore Politecnico di Milano's portfolio of technologies and patents and the opportunities for valorisation and licensing.
polimi.it/en/research/technology-transfer/tecnologie-e-brevetti

Services for researchers

Discover tools and services for the protection, exploitation, and development of research results.
polimi.it/en/research/technology-transfer/services-for-researchers

Services for companies and investors

Access technologies, expertise, and opportunities for collaboration and investment with Politecnico di Milano.
polimi.it/en/research/technology-transfer/servizi-per-imprese-e-investitori

Innovation Studio - Polimi Innovators

Dedicated support pathways to help transform research results into entrepreneurial ventures.
polimi.it/en/research/polimi-innovators/innovation-studio