

INVENTIONS SCORING GRID

A. Conditions for evaluation

The following conditions should be considered when scoring:

Condition 1 - the legal situation of the national or European protection of the invention by patent or utility model - the invention is the subject of a patent/utility model application or is patented/registered;

Condition 2 - the stage of physical realisation of the invention: commercial sample, prototype; experimental model, mock-up, finalised concept;

Condition 3 - invention applicability area;

Condition 4 - the technical, scientific and technological level of the invention;

Condition 5 - the potential and status of exploitation and commercialization of the invention through contracts/ agreements of IP licensing/assignment or through contracts/ agreements of technology transfer; direct interest shown from economic operators – even to ensure financing for technological investment; socio-economic importance of the invention;

Condition 6 - the hidden defects of the invention expressed through ongoing appeal or revocation actions at the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) or before specific courts regarding the right to the patent/utility model or arising from the patent/registered utility model, or concerning the collective of inventors.

B Noting the inventions

Condition 1 (maximum 10 points) is awarded:

- **10 points**, for the invention protected by a patent of invention granted by the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) and for which European and/or PCT protection has also been requested;
- **9 points**, for the invention for which protection was requested through a patent application filed with OSIM and for which European protection has been requested and/or through the PCT (Patent Cooperation Treaty);
- **8 points**, for the invention for which protection was requested through a patent application filed with and published by OSIM;
- **7 points**, for the invention protected by a Utility Model Certificate;

- **6 points**, for the invention for which protection was requested through a utility model application.

Condition 2 (maximum 10 points) a gradual score is awarded for the stage of physical realisation of the invention between a score of 7 regarding the published application of protection, without being released yet, and a score of 10 for a commercial exemplary of the invention realised and based on a specific technology;

Condition 3 (maximum 10 points) a gradual score is awarded between the score of 7 and 10 depending on the estimated/realised area of application of the invention, as follows;

- 10 points for a very large area of exploitation, at the national or international level;
- 9 points for a large area of exploitation at the zonal level, the industrial branch,
- 8 narrow exploitation area points at the local level;
- 7 points - level limited to specific needs.

Condition 4 (maximum 10 points) - a gradual score is awarded between 6 and 10 depending on the complexity of the technical problem and the technical solution offered to the technical issue raised.

Condition 5 (maximum 10 points) - a gradual score is awarded between a score of 6 for the lack of potential for exploitation and commercialization of the invention and a score of 10 for the effective exploitation and commercialization of the invention through contracts/ agreements for IP license/ assignments or contracts/ agreements of technology transfers;

Condition 6 (maximum 10 points) - a gradual score is awarded between a score of 6 for the existence of evident "hidden defects" of the invention that result from the existence of ongoing appeal or revocation actions on the application or title of protection at OSIM or before specific courts, and a score of 10 (maximum) for the clear legal situation of the application or for the granted title of protection, resulting from the expiry of the deadlines of the application for appeal or revocation at OSIM or before specific courts.