

<b>Committee</b>	Board of Management		
<b>Agenda Item Number</b>	6.1		
<b>Date paper prepared</b>	14/06/2022	<b>Date of committee meeting</b>	24/08/2022
<b>Subject</b>	SUHI Intellectual Property Policy		
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<b>Action requested</b>	Discuss and Approve		
<b>Purpose of the paper</b>	<p>Revision of previous NAFC IP Policy to cover SUHI.</p> <p>A policy on IP is required to protect the collective IP generated through research, consultancy, KE and teaching activities at SUHI.</p>		
<b>Brief summary of the paper</b>	<p>The attached Policy follows the structure adopted previously by NAFC, where one IP policy covered all activities (research, consultancy, teaching) and was aligned with relevant UHI policies.</p> <p>UHI have an overarching IP policy for research and APs are expected to adopt the basic approach outlined in that.</p> <p>There is separate UHI Guidance relating to IP generated by student research activities, which would be adopted and covered within the attached Policy.</p> <p>UHI does not appear to have a separate IP policy relating to teaching activities (despite reference to one in the Research policy). Of most relevance to teaching is the current UHI guidance on copyright. However, it is important that teaching staff are aware of IP and of SUHI ownership of teaching materials produced by them during the course of their employment. This is to protect SUHI against unauthorised use of its materials.</p>		
<b>Consultation</b>	<p>SUHI Research Enterprise &amp; Knowledge Transfer Committee.</p> <p>Policy presented at SMG on 14/6/2022 and no further edits proposed.</p>		
<b>Resource implications</b>	None.		

<b>Risk implications</b>	<p>Risk of exploitation of SUHI generated IP if Policy is not in place and is not adhered to.</p> <p>Mitigated within Research and KE activities as IP is routinely included within individual grants and contracts.</p> <p>Risk of teaching staff copying and using materials generated during SUHI employment at a competitor institute following a job move if an IP policy is not in place and not adhered to.</p>
<b>Link with strategy</b>	<p>Links to UHI IP Policy</p> <p>UHI Copyright Policy</p> <p>UHI student IP guidance.</p>
<b><u>Equality, Diversity and Inclusion</u></b>	
<b>Island Community Impact</b>	<p>Summarise how any actual or potential (positive or negative) impacts on island communities have been considered in the development of the paper.</p>
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