

Practice guidelines

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- feedback on proposed practices and upcoming publications,
- supplement the communication that the Ministry of Economic Development has with other parties interested in IP, for example policy consultation, client surveys, one-on-one contact with users of IP services

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