



Intellectual Property Manager

(Administrator II)

(Temporary Contract up to November 2012)

The Centre for Next Generation Localisation (CNGL) is a DCU-led Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) funded Centre for Science Engineering and Technology directed by Prof. Josef van Genabith. CNGL is a €30M collaborative research centre that involves Dublin City University, Trinity College Dublin, University College Dublin, University of Limerick, and nine industrial partners who include world leaders in their respective fields.

Localisation is the adaptation of digital content to culture, locale, user profile, and linguistic environment. CNGL conducts research on language technologies (machine translation, speech recognition/synthesis), digital content management technologies (adaptive hypermedia, IE/IR), their application in localisation workflows, and language technology-focused software engineering.

The Centre for Next Generation Localisation (CNGL) is a dynamic Academia-Industry partnership with over 100 researchers developing novel technologies addressing the key localisation challenges of volume, access and personalisation. Our objective is to produce substantial advances in the basic and applied research underpinning the design, implementation and evaluation of the blueprints for the Next Generation Localisation Factory.

Our work is guided by the vision of enabling people to interact with content, products and services in their own language, according to their own culture, and according to their own personal needs.

We now wish to recruit an Intellectual Property Manager on a fixed-term full-time contract basis with primary responsibility for leading the IP management activities of the Centre and promoting the relationships between our Academic Partners and Industry Partners. This position is based at Dublin City University and the post holder will report to the Associate Director of CNGL.

Duties and Responsibilities:

The post-holder will lead the CNGL IP management activities. He/she will:

- In collaboration with the CNGL Director, the Associate Director and Director of DCU Invent, assist in the identification, capture and protection of intellectual property arising from research activities within the CNGL and related interdisciplinary research areas involving computer science.
- Support the CNGL Commercial Development Manager in the achievement of the primary objective of the CNGL commercialisation strategy in accelerating the realisation of national economic benefits from the CNGL by ensuring that IP rights are properly appropriated and available for commercialisation.
- Collaborate with the technology transfer offices across all four academic partners to coordinate CNGL IP activities.
- Work with Invent staff and CNGL partners to develop the full potential of IP through appropriate commercial and licensing mechanisms in accordance with the formal IP arrangements agreed between the partners.
- Manage the CNGL database of all background, foreground and emerging intellectual property. This includes reviewing all CNGL journal & conference publications.
- Establish and maintain links with key personnel in Enterprise Ireland, Science Foundation Ireland and in Centres for Science Engineering and Technology (CSETs) to appropriately leverage SFI-centred, EI-centered or multi-group commercialisation & IP activities for maximum impact.
- Maintain and further develop links and relationships between the academic partners and industry partners of CNGL. Assist in facilitating feedback loops between Industry Partners and Academic Partners around research activities, research outcomes, demonstrator systems, etc. from the perspective of commercial relevance and value.
- Help guide future research activity towards commercially relevant outcomes.

Experience and Skills Required

The ideal IP Manager will have had experience in the software industry, particularly in a localisation-related function, and a detailed understanding of the key principles of intellectual property.

- A post-graduate qualification in business with 1-4 years experience in business development, marketing, and/or strategy OR a Post-graduate qualification in Computer Science with 2-5 years in a commercial setting, ideally with exposure to the localisation function.
- Knowledge of the Localisation industry, or of Language Technology is essential, particularly knowledge of one or more of the CNGL Research areas:
 - Language Technologies: Machine Translation, Speech Technology
 - Digital Content Management: Information Retrieval, Adaptive Hypermedia

