



University of Seville
Technology
and Knowledge
Transfer Office
English Brochure



The University of Seville (US) was created in 1505 and is one of the top universities in Spain both in terms of teaching and research, with a faculty of 4,300 lecturers and researchers and about 65.000 students last year.

The US Technology and Knowledge Transfer Office (OTRI) was established in 1989 with the support of the Spanish Council of Science and Technology and the aim of promoting the scientific-technical university offer, focusing on the different productive sectors.

The role of the US Technology and Knowledge Transfer Office is to enhance the relation among the university scientist community, the industry and other socioeconomic stakeholders, in order to make the most of the RTD capabilities and results of the University of Seville research activity.

A qualified staff advises, develops and promotes projects, contracts and other forms of collaboration among the University of Seville, private and state-owned companies and other public institutions, motivates the entrepreneur attitude, the creation of spin-off and the internationalization of the scientific research.

The US Technology and Knowledge Transfer Office has **special units** that:

- Promote and manage European and international research projects, dealing particularly with the European Framework Programme, along other European and international funded programmes such as INTERREG, COST, ESF, Human Frontier Science Programme, CYTED, ENPI, etc.



- Manage and administrate patents application forms, negotiating, protecting and licensing to business the intellectual property (IP) generated by the research activity. This unit provides support to researchers in marketing of their patents, and design suitable strategies to transfer them from the University to private companies, promoting that research innovations are capable of reaching the market for further social benefit.
- Keep the business sector informed about the RTD capabilities of the US research groups and institutes, and provide links between researchers and companies, so that scientific advances generated at the University can be applied to real life products and processes.
- Offer support to researchers at financial, legal and administrative level, advising on research and service agreements for contract and collaborative research projects, both with SMEs (small & medium-sized enterprises), large companies, and other research partners.
- Stimulate the creation of new research-oriented and innovative companies or spin-offs by giving advice and support to entrepreneurs, with the aim of promoting the competitive capabilities of the US as spin-off enterprises.
- Spread the technological innovation and promote the scientific and entrepreneur culture generated in the US to society collaborating with the US Press Office, manage and dynamize different social media communities and networks on line.