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Intangible Corporate Intellectual Property Rights Assets: Finance and Governance for Sustainability Transitions

Message from the Guest Editors

It is a common understanding that the magnitude of corporate ownership of intangible intellectual property rights (patents, trademarks, copyright, trade secrets and designs) has a pervasive role in the modern business environment. Intellectual property rights (IPRs) are fundamental, yet intangible resources for explaining various aspects of economic value creation, critical for fostering resilience, growth and corporate longevity. However, varying degrees of knowledge and understanding of IPRs inhibit management and corporate communication between firms, their shareholders and other stakeholders in both the traditional financial accounts and narrative corporate reports. This Special Issue brings together academic lawyers, business scholars and relevant IP and other professionals who share a common interest in the role of intangible IPRs in corporate governance and reporting. Researchers are encouraged to submit articles that showcase evidence regarding how best to regulate corporate IPR asset disclosures and materiality, with a view to ensuring corporate accountability for statements and claims made and avoid greenwashing.

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