

Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CA)

"The Canadian Intellectual Property Office (CIPO), a Special Operating Agency (SOA) associated with Industry Canada, is responsible for the administration and processing of the greater part of intellectual property in Canada. CIPO's areas of activity include:" Patents, Trade-marks, Copyrights, Industrial designs, and Integrated circuit topographies.

"The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) manages another type of intellectual property: Plant breeders' rights apply to certain new plant varieties.

"All sorts of people have a stake in intellectual property — business people, inventors, artists, designers, electronic microchip manufacturers, plant breeders and others."

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