



Protecting your IP in China

Agreements, registrations and practical tips on how to protect your brands.





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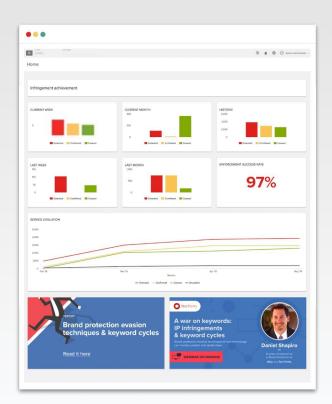


A TECHNOLOGY DESIGNED TO PROTECT YOUR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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The smart solution for online brand protection



Red Points is **the most rapidly-growing company** offering game-changing, cloud-based Al technology solution that **automates the task of online brand protection**.

Our software can protect brand assets on multiple platforms on a global scale. We offer **the fastest**, **most comprehensive**, **and most cost-effective protection in the market**.

Red Points is the smartest online brand protection solution, and that's why more than 20 new customers move to us every month to handle this increasingly difficult and complex problem, with a simple-to-use technology.



The solution: Smart technology



Artificial Intelligence

Deep learning processes thousands of elements from your account history and creates new detection rules and keyword opportunities, finding where the problems are hiding.



Image recognition

Red Points spots products based on images. This helps identify cases where the description is evasive or where keyword searches are not viable (patents, design or copyright).

The technology is designed to handle a vast spectrum of image edits including resizing, cropping, colour changes and blurring.

Developing product technology to expand capabilities and to allow the system to make more decisions by automating more aspects of the process.





Actionable Intelligence

Get the full picture of all the steps involved in the detection, validation and enforcement of your brand online. Build dashboards with a full overview of your brand protection activity. Filter by date, assets, type of infringements, regions, sellers and others.



Smart & Easy-to-Use

No matter the type of source, asset or infringement, Red Points organises all cases into beautiful, user-friendly cards that are prioritised according to their potential threat to your brand. Manage your brand assets in an organized, task-based workflow, with little training required.



Red Points: Facts & Figures



Average success rate of detections to removals.



Top marketplaces with 99% enforcement rate.



Average time from detection to removal



Marketplaces, social media, apps & websites.



Of customer churn rate.

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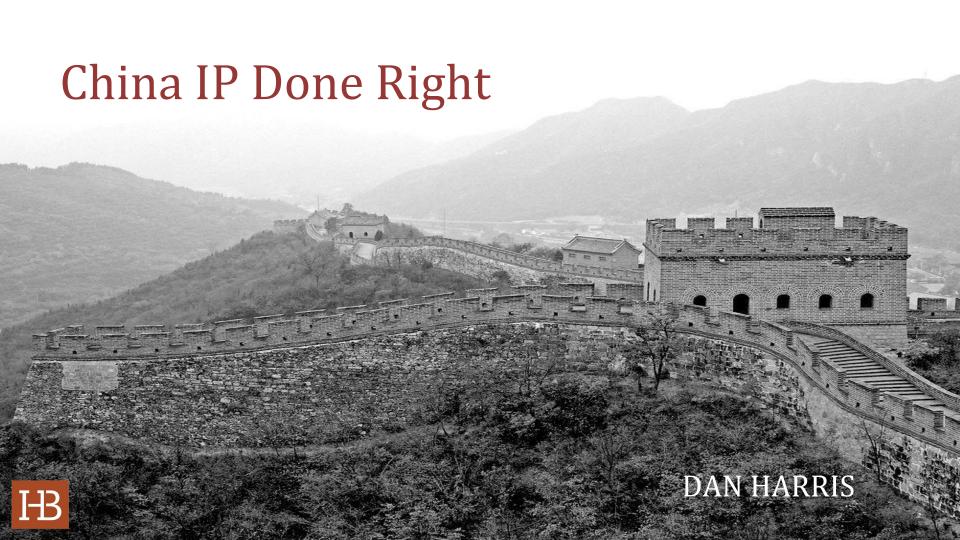
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> THREE KEYS

Structural protection

Good contract

Good registration



STRUCTURAL PROTECTION -- GOOD PARTNER/BE SMART

Due Diligence

Confirm Existence

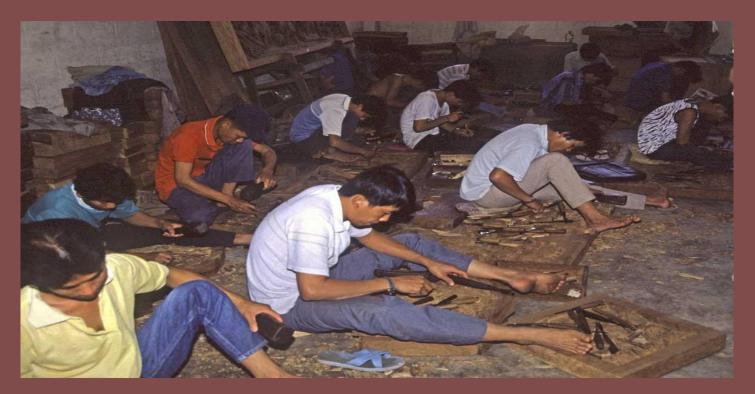
Go There



WEBSITE



REAL LIFE



> DUE DILIGENCE

Distrust all company info

Look around, ask around

Scrutinize the paper

Delegate. Do not delegate.



> DEAL/CONTRACT

Structure your deal and write your contract so that your Chinese partner believes it will make more money with you than without you



WHY BOTHER WITH A CONTRACT?

Clarity

Prevention

Enforcement



WHY BOTHER WITH A CONTRACT?

WHAT ABOUT CORRUPTION?



> THE GOOD CONTRACT

GUIDELINES

In writing

One language

Excruciating detail

Sealed

THE GOOD CONTRACT

THINK

...

LIQUIDATED DAMAGES



THE GOOD CONTRACT

THINK

....

DISPUTE RESOLUTION



LITIGATING OUTSIDE CHINA

Chinese courts are NOT obligated to enforce US judgments...

and they don't.





Chinese courts ARE obligated to enforce Spanish judgments...

and they don't.



ARBITRATING OUTSIDE CHINA

THINK ABOUT...

Hong Kong, Singapore, Vancouver, London, New York....

China does not recognize ad hoc arbitrations (HK exception?).

Enforcement in China per New York Convention: "Getting better...."



CHINA COURT REALITIES

Injunctive relief?

Yeah, maybe, but probably not.

CHINA COURT REALITIES

DISCOVERY

What's that?



CHINA COURT REALITIES

Remember Equity?

Harmony is not just a name from the '60s



> CIETAC ARBITRATION CLAUSE

Specify

- English language
- Non-Chinese arbitrator, or two or three

Think

- About injunctive relief-carve out
- About third parties
- About discovery
- About Service/Notice



Common Contracts

NNN

Product

Ownership

Development

Product

Manufacturing



Common Contracts

Distributer

Reseller

Joint Venture

Employment (Two)



LICENSING AGREEMENTS

Make sure you get paid

Register with the proper government agency









IP REGISTRATIONS

PATENTS

TRADEMARKS

COPYRIGHTS

LICENSING

AGREEMENTS



CHINA TRADEMARKS

Someone will apply for your trademark and they will probably get it and be able to keep it.

Even if you are only manufacturing in China for export.

Selling in China? Apply for both an English and a Chinese language trademark.





For trademark purposes, Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan are *not* part of the PRC.

Filing a trademark through Madrid can be risky.

You have three years to use your China trademark.

Trademark registrations are valid for ten years + ten years.



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