Role of Business Consulting in Technology Commercialization

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Introduction

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Illinois Business Consulting
The Nation’s Largest Fee-Based, Student-Run Consulting Firm

Student Run
• 250 students per year from 9 colleges
• Students are peer-selected
• 14% acceptance rate
• The university’s top talent

Project Based
• 50 projects per year
• 1,200+ projects since 1996
• 12 to 14 week semester-long engagements
• 600+ student work hours per project

Company Focused
• Over 500 clients since 1996
• Fortune 500 multinationals
• Government agencies
• Non-profit organizations
• Start-ups

University Sponsored
• Operates under Gies College of Business
• Access to the research and expertise the university
• Professional guidance and oversight
• Client owns all intellectual property and deliverables
### 5 of CIRI’s technologies are in the IBC pipeline

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IBC’s partnership with CIRI generates business insights that guide product development and lead to successful market entry.
IBC helps CIRI bring its technologies to market through methodical research and stakeholder engagement, leading to data-driven product, price, and market recommendations.