

## **Some aspects of national enterprises commercial secrets protection in the European integration**

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**Research methodology.** Using a systematic approach the role and place of commercial secrets in the European economy were investigated and the threats to the commercial secrets of domestic enterprises due to the process of Ukraine integration into the European economic system were detected. Using the economic and statistical methods the global expenses of R&D sphere, showing the value of commercial secrets, were estimated.

**Results.** The consequences of the implementation of the economic and sectoral provisions of the EU-Ukraine Association for domestic enterprises were analyzed. The global R&D investment trends were evaluated. The legal mechanism for the protection of the commercial secrets in EU member states was investigated. The threats to the commercial secrets due to the process of European integration were defined and reasoned.

**Novelty.** It was defined that the commercial secret is particularly important in the process of European integration, as in international competition the value of the issue increases significantly. This necessitates in the conditions of the transition period to create a comprehensive system of protection of commercial secrets in the system of economic security of enterprises in order to avoid further economic losses, including those which arise through the loss of market position.

**Practical significance.** The threats to the commercial secrets, identified by the author, are subject to the process of European integration, they can be used in the process of commercial secrets organization in the system of economic security of national enterprises. This will contribute to the enterprise economic security in general.