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Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of:	Bahrain
Language in which international applications may be filed:	Arabic or English <sup>1</sup>
Language in which the request may be filed:	Arabic or English
Number of copies required by the receiving Office:	3
Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format? <sup>2</sup>	No
Does the receiving Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3)?	Yes, the Office applies the “due care” criterion to such requests
Competent International Searching Authority:	Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office or the United States Patent and Trademark Office
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Fees payable to the receiving Office:	Currency: Bahraini dinar (BHD) and US dollar (USD)
Transmittal fee:	BHD 70
International filing fee: <sup>3</sup>	USD 1,338 (1,210) <sup>4</sup>
Fee per sheet in excess of 30: <sup>3</sup>	USD 15 (14) <sup>4</sup>
Search fee:	See Annex D(AT), (EP) or (US)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	BHD 2 for natural persons BHD 4 for legal persons
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	None
Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Bahrain Yes, if he is a non-resident
Who can act as agent?	Any attorney or lawyer registered in Bahrain
Waiver of power of attorney:	
Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?	No
Has the Office waived the requirement that a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted?	No

<sup>1</sup> If the language in which the international application is filed is not accepted by the International Searching Authority (see Annex D), the applicant will have to furnish a translation (PCT Rule 12.3); currently Arabic is not accepted by any of the International Searching Authorities.

<sup>2</sup> Where the request is filed in PCT-EASY format together with a PCT-EASY diskette and the receiving Office accepts such filings, the total amount of the international filing fee is reduced (see *PCT Gazette* No. 51/1998, pages 17330 and 17332, and No. 41/2006, page 19092, Schedule of Fees, item 3(a)).

<sup>3</sup> This fee is reduced by 90% if certain conditions apply (see corresponding footnote to Annex C(IB)). For further details, see *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 29 May 2008, page 69, Schedule of Fees, item 4.

<sup>4</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable as from 1 January 2009.