

# PCT NEWSLETTER

## PCT Filings in 2007

The number of applications filed under the PCT in 2007 reached approximately 156,100, representing an increase of 4.7% over 2006. These and the following figures are estimates as the International Bureau continues to receive, throughout the first half of 2008, PCT applications which were filed with national and regional Offices in 2007.

Applicants from the United States of America filed the largest number of applications (52,280, which represents 33.5% of all applications), followed by Japan (17.8%), Germany (11.6%), the Republic of Korea (4.5%) and France (4.1%). Applicants from the member States of the European Patent Convention, when grouped together, filed 34% of all international applications.

There was continued high growth in filings from north east Asia, in particular from the Republic of Korea (18.8% increase) and China (38.1% increase), and Japan again held second position with 27,731 international applications.

Applicants are increasingly submitting their international applications electronically – filings in electronic form made up about 67.4% of all filings in 2007 (compared to 57.4% in 2006), 52.6% being filed fully electronically and 14.8% being filed using the PCT-EASY functionality of the PCT-SAFE software. Only 32.6% of applications filed in 2007 were filed entirely on paper (compared to 42.6% in 2006).

The Japanese company Matsushita became the top user of the PCT system in 2007 (Philips had been the top user since 2001). The top 10 applicants, together with the number of international applications published in their name, were as follows:

1.	Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd (JP)	2,100
2.	Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. (NL)	2,041
3.	Siemens Aktiengesellschaft (DE)	1,644
4.	Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd. (CN)	1,365
5.	Robert Bosch GmbH (DE)	1,146
6.	Toyota Jidosha Kabushiki Kaisha (JP)	997
7.	Qualcomm Incorporated (US)	974
8.	Microsoft Corporation (US)	845
9.	Motorola, Inc. (US)	824
10.	Nokia Corporation (FI)	822

A list of the top 500 PCT applicants (with the most applications published in 2007) is available on the Internet at:

[www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/applicants\\_ranking.html](http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/applicants_ranking.html)

The main fields of technology under which PCT applications published in 2007 fell related to telecommunications (10.5% of all applications), information technology (10.1%) and pharmaceuticals (9.3%). The fastest growing areas of technology were nuclear engineering (24.5% increase over 2006) and telecommunications (15.5% increase).

For further information, including various tables of data relating to filings in 2007, see Press Release PR/2008/536 on the WIPO website at:

[www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2008/article\\_0006.html](http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2008/article_0006.html)

Final figures will be available later in the year.

## PCT Information Update

### Fees payable in US dollars (various Offices)

As from 15 May 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in USD to various receiving Offices (see below), as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in USD of the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 3 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (AM, AP, AZ, BW, BY, BZ, CO, CR, CU, DO, EA, EC, EG, GE, GH, IB, IL, IN, KE, KG, KZ, LR, MD, NI, PG, PH, RU, SC, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, US, UZ, ZM and ZW))

### CA Canada (fees)

As from 1 May 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee, and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in CAD to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in CAD of the PCT-EASY fee reduction (see item 3(a) of the Schedule of Fees), as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (CA))

### EP European Patent Office (fees)

As from 1 April 2008, there will be a change in the following fees payable to the European Patent Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	see Table I(a)
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR 40

As from 1 April 2008, there will be a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office (other fees not indicated have not changed):

#### National basic fee:

Where the form for entry into the European phase (EPO Form 1200) is filed online: .....	EUR	100
Where the form for entry into the European phase (EPO Form 1200) is not filed online: .....	EUR	180
Designation fee for each EPO Contracting State designated and for the joint designation of Switzerland and Liechtenstein; paying seven times the amount of this fee is deemed payment for all EPC Contracting States: .....	EUR	85

Claims fee for the 11 <sup>th</sup> and each subsequent claim: .....	EUR	45 <sup>1</sup>
Claims fee for the 16 <sup>th</sup> and each subsequent claim:.....	EUR	200
Search fee:.....	EUR	1,050
Examination fee:		
For applications for which no supplementary European search report is drawn up: .....	EUR	1,565
For all other applications: .....	EUR	1,405

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (EP) and National Chapter, Summary (EP))

### **GB United Kingdom (fees)**

As from 1 May 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee, and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in GBP to the United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in GBP of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 3 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (GB))

### **IS Iceland (fees)**

As from 15 May 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee, and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in ISK to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ISK of the PCT-EASY fee reduction (see item 3(a) of the Schedule of Fees), as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IS))

### **KR Republic of Korea (fees)**

As from 1 May 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee, and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in KRW to the Korean Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in KRW of the PCT-EASY and electronic filing fee reduction listed in item 3 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (KR))

### **US United States of America (fees)**

See "Fees payable in US dollars," above.

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<sup>1</sup> Applicable until 31 March 2008.

**Search fee and other fees relating to the international search (Canadian Intellectual Property Office, Japan Patent Office, Nordic Patent Institute, Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, United States Patent and Trademark Office) (see also separate item on the European Patent Office, below)**

For the purposes of payment of fees to the International Bureau as receiving Office, there will be a change, as from 1 April 2008, in the equivalent amount payable in CHF for an international search carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

As from 1 April 2008 there will be a change in the amount payable in DKK and in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF, EUR, ISK, NOK and USD for an international search carried out by the Nordic Patent Institute, as indicated in Fee Table I(b), as well as a change in the amount of the additional search fee, as indicated below:

Additional search fee: .....	DKK	12,670
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As from 1 April 2008 there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR and in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and USD for an international search carried out by the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b), as well as a change in the amount of the additional search fee, as indicated below:

Additional search fee: .....	EUR	1,700
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As from 1 April 2008 there will be a change in the amount payable in SEK and in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF, DKK, EUR, ISK, NOK and USD for an international search carried out by the Swedish Patent and Trademark Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b), as well as a change in the amount of the additional search fee, as indicated below:

Additional search fee: .....	SEK	15,830
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As from 1 April 2008, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in CHF for an international search carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and as from 15 May 2008 there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in KRW for an international search carried out by the Japan Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (CA), (ES), (JP), (SE), (US) and (XN))

**Search fee, preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to the international search and international preliminary examination (European Patent Office)**

As from 1 April 2008, there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR and in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF, DKK, GBP, ISK, JPY, MWK, NOK, NZD, SEK, SGD, USD and ZAR for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b), as well as a change in the amount of the following fees relating to international search (other fees not indicated have not changed):

Additional search fee: .....	EUR	1,700
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Protest fee:

For international applications still pending on 13 December 2007:.....	EUR	1,120
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For international applications filed on or after 13 December 2007: .....	[no change]	
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As from 1 April 2008, there will also be a change in the amount payable in EUR for an international preliminary examination carried out by that Office, as indicated in Fee Table II, as well as a change in the following fees payable to it:

Additional preliminary examination fee: .....	EUR	1,675
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report, per page:		
For applicants:.....	[no change]	
For elected Offices: .....	EUR	0.70
Fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application, per A4 page or smaller (delivery charge should be added if the copies are to be sent by airmail): .....	EUR	0.70
Protest fee:		
For international applications still pending on 13 December 2007:.....	EUR	1,120
For international applications filed on or after 13 December 2007: .....	[no change]	

The European Patent Office has changed the extent to which the search fee paid for an earlier search shall be refunded when the Authority benefits from that earlier search in carrying out an international search, as follows:

#### **For a European search (EPC Art. 78(2))**

*(European application filed on or after 1 July 2005 and search fee paid before 1 April 2006):*

(full benefit) .....	[no change]
(partial benefit) .....	[no change]

*(European application filed on or after 1 July 2005 and search fee paid between 1 April 2006 and 31 March 2008):*

(full benefit) .....	[no change]
(partial benefit) .....	[no change]

*(European application filed on or after 1 July 2005 and search fee paid on or after 1 April 2008):*

(full benefit) .....	EUR	1,050
(partial benefit) .....	EUR	262.50

#### **For an international search (PCT Art. 15(1))**

*(international application filed on or after 1 January 2004 and search fee paid before 1 April 2006):*

(full benefit) .....	[no change]
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(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(international application filed on or after 1 January 2004 and search fee paid between 1 April 2006 and 31 March 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(international application filed on or after 1 January 2004 and search fee paid on or after 1 April 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... EUR 1,700

(partial benefit) ..... EUR 425

**For a search with written opinion on a national application made on behalf of a national Office (BE, FR, LU, NL, TR)**

*(search fee for the international application paid before 1 April 2006):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee for the international application paid between 1 April 2006 and 31 March 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee for the international application paid on or after 1 April 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... EUR 1,700

(partial benefit) ..... EUR 425

**For an international-type search (PCT Art. 15(5)) or for a standard search**

*(search fee paid before 1 April 2006):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee paid between 1 April 2006 and 31 March 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee paid on or after 1 April 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... EUR 1,035

(partial benefit) ..... EUR 258.75

**For a search without written opinion on a national application made on behalf of a national Office (BE, FR, LU, NL, TR)**

*(search fee for the international application paid before 1 April 2006):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee for the international application paid between 1 April 2006 and 31 March 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... [no change]

(partial benefit) ..... [no change]

*(search fee paid on or after 1 April 2008):*

(full benefit) ..... EUR 1,035

(partial benefit) ..... EUR 258.75

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D and E (EP))

**New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet ([www.wipo.int/pct/en](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en))**

**Patent Resources in Japanese**

The Japanese section of the website has been updated to improve navigability for Japanese-speaking users. The resources that are available in Japanese are highlighted while links to alternative language versions in English are included where no translation in Japanese is available. See:

[www.wipo.int/pct/ja/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/index.html)

**Arabic version of the PCT Regulations (April 2007 edition)**

The official version of the Arabic text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 April 2007, is currently under preparation. In the meantime, and for the convenience of Arabic-speaking PCT users, a provisional version of the Regulations in Arabic has been made available in PDF format, at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/ar/docs/pct\\_regs.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/ar/docs/pct_regs.pdf)

It is recalled that the official version of the English and French texts are available at:

[www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct\\_regs.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regs.pdf) and

[www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/fr/texts/pdf/pct\\_regs.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/fr/texts/pdf/pct_regs.pdf)

**Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees (Reminder)**

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau (IB) of WIPO and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from "Patent Trademark Register – Register of



International Patents – ODM”. To view an example of the new invitation, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of the IB by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct\\_warning.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.htm)

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the IB alone which publishes all PCT applications promptly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date (see PCT Article 21(2)(a)); there is no separate fee for such international publication, and the legal effects of international publication are set out in PCT Article 29.

### **History of the PCT Regulations**

The History of the PCT Regulations, a resource which charts chronologically, for each PCT Rule, any changes that have been made to that Rule, has been updated to include all changes up to, and including, those which came into effect on 1 April 2007. It is available at:

[www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct\\_regulations\\_history.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regulations_history.pdf)

### **PCT in the News**

The latest edition of the WIPO Magazine features an article entitled “Towards a Green Stone Age”, which describes a new composite material, developed by a small German engineering firm, TechnoCarbon Technologies, which its inventors hope may contribute to cutting greenhouse gas emissions in the construction and manufacturing sectors. A number of PCT applications have been published which relate to this technology and its applications.

Extracts from the WIPO Magazine are available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/news/index.html)

By clicking on “WIPO Magazine” in the “related links” box, you will be able to view the complete issue of the WIPO Magazine.

### **Filing and Processing of International Applications in Electronic Form**

Reproduced in this issue are updated versions of the two tables listing, respectively:

- the receiving Offices which have notified the International Bureau that they are prepared to accept the filing of international applications in electronic form, and
- the receiving Offices which have notified the International Bureau that they are prepared to accept the filing of requests in PCT-EASY format.

A table giving information on the requirements of the Offices which accept the filing of international applications in electronic form is available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/notifications/efiling/efiling.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/notifications/efiling/efiling.pdf)



## Practical Advice

### Right to practice before an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority (where the agent is appointed for the whole of the international phase)

*Q: I read in the "Practical Advice" in the February 2008 issue of the PCT Newsletter about a situation where a US agent was going to file, on behalf of an applicant who is a resident of the United States of America and a national of Mexico, an international application with the RO/IB. As a result of the applicant's Mexican nationality, it was possible to choose the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) (which has been specified as a competent ISA/IPEA by the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property in its capacity as receiving Office). Would the US agent have the right to practice before the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as ISA and IPEA?*

*A: If the US agent is being appointed for the whole of the international phase, he is also entitled to represent the applicant before the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office as ISA and IPEA (see PCT Rules 90.1(a) and 83.1 bis(a) and (b)).*

In principle, the question of who is entitled to represent the applicant(s) for a specific international application during the whole of the international phase is linked to the receiving Office with which the application was filed, and not to the Office which acts as ISA and/or IPEA. Each receiving Office determines who may practice before that Office. According to PCT Rule 90.1(a), a person having the right to practice before the national (or regional) Office with which the international application is filed may be appointed by the applicant as agent to represent him/her before the receiving Office (RO), the International Bureau (IB), the ISA and the IPEA.

As far as international applications filed with the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB) are concerned, any person who has the right to practice before the national (or regional) Office of, or acting for, a Contracting State of which the applicant is a resident or national may be appointed as agent in respect of the international application before RO/IB, the IB in any other capacity, and before the competent ISA and IPEA (see PCT Rule 83.1 bis(b)).

Thus, in the case referred to in last month's "Practical Advice" where the international application was to be filed with RO/IB, the applicant would have been able to appoint as agent any person who has the right to practice before the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property or the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office, and that person would automatically be entitled to act before the IB, the ISA and/or IPEA, whichever Authority is chosen.

Notwithstanding, it is possible to appoint a second agent to represent the applicant specifically before the ISA and/or IPEA, although in such a case, the right to practice would no longer be determined by the receiving Office, but rather, would be determined by the rules applicable in the national or regional Office acting as ISA or IPEA (see PCT Rule 90.1(b) and (c)). For information on the right to practice before national Offices, see the relevant National Chapter Summary of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* ([www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html)). In case of uncertainty, the Authority in question should be contacted directly.

Further information on the appointment of agents specifically before the ISA and IPEA will be published in another "Practical Advice" soon.

**Receiving Offices prepared to accept the filing  
of international applications  
in fully electronic form**  
(status on 1 March 2008)

AU	Australian Patent Office	JP	Japan Patent Office
CN	State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China	KR	Korean Intellectual Property Office
DE	German Patent and Trade Mark Office	MY	Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia
DK	Danish Patent and Trademark Office	NL	Netherlands Patent Office
EP	European Patent Office (EPO)	PH	Intellectual Property Office (Philippines)
ES	Spanish Patent and Trademark Office	PL	Patent Office of the Republic of Poland
FI	National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland	RO	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)
FR	National Institute of Industrial Property (France)	SE	Swedish Patent and Registration Office
GB	United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office)	SK	Industrial Property Office (Slovakia)
IB	International Bureau of WIPO	US	United States Patent and Trademark Office
(Total: 20 Offices)			

**Receiving Offices prepared to accept the filing  
of international applications  
containing requests in PCT-EASY format  
(status on 1 March 2008)**

AM	Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Armenia	KG	Kyrgyz Intellectual Property Office
AP	African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	KP	Invention Office of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
AT	Austrian Patent Office	KR	Korean Intellectual Property Office
AU	Australian Patent Office	KZ	Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Committee of Intellectual Property Rights, National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP Republic of Kazakhstan)
BA	Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina	LT	State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania
BE	Intellectual Property Office (Belgium)	LV	Latvian Patent Office
BG	Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria	LY	Libyan Industrial Property Office
BR	National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)	MD	State Agency on Intellectual Property (Moldova)
BW	Registrar of Companies, Trademarks, Patents and Industrial Designs (Botswana)	MK	State Office of Industrial Property (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)
BZ	Belize Intellectual Property Office	MN	Intellectual Property Office of Mongolia
CA	Canadian Intellectual Property Office	MW	Ministry of Justice, Department of the Registrar General (Malawi)
CH	Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property	MX	Mexican Institute of Industrial Property
CN	State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China	NI	Registry of Intellectual Property (Nicaragua)
CO	Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia)	NL	Netherlands Patent Office
CR	Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica)	NO	Norwegian Patent Office
CU	Cuban Industrial Property Office	NZ	Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand
CZ	Industrial Property Office (Czech Republic)	PG	Intellectual Property Office of Papua New Guinea
DE	German Patent and Trade Mark Office	PH	Intellectual Property Office (Philippines)
DK	Danish Patent and Trademark Office	PT	National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)
DZ	Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property	RO	State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)
EA	Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)	RS	Intellectual Property Office (Serbia)
EC	Ecuadorian Institute of Intellectual Property	RU	Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation)
EE	Estonian Patent Office	SE	Swedish Patent and Registration Office
EG	Egyptian Patent Office	SG	Intellectual Property Office of Singapore
ES	Spanish Patent and Trademark Office	SI	Slovenian Intellectual Property Office
FR	National Institute of Industrial Property (France)	SK	Industrial Property Office (Slovakia)
GB	United Kingdom Intellectual Property Office (an operating name of the Patent Office)	SY	Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property (Syrian Arab Republic)
GE	National Intellectual Property Center (Georgia)	TM	Patent Department, Ministry of Economy and Finance of Turkmenistan
GR	Industrial Property Organization (Greece)	TR	Turkish Patent Institute
HR	State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia)	TT	Intellectual Property Office (Trinidad and Tobago)
HU	Hungarian Patent Office	US	United States Patent and Trademark Office
IB	International Bureau of WIPO	UZ	State Patent Office of Uzbekistan
ID	Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia)	ZA	Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (South Africa)
IE	Patents Office (Ireland)	ZW	Zimbabwe Intellectual Property Office
IL	Israel Patent Office		
IN	Patent Office (India)		
IS	Icelandic Patent Office		
JP	Japan Patent Office		
KE	Kenya Industrial Property Institute		
			(Total: 73 Offices)

<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b> (situation on 1 March 2008)			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>12–13 March 2008</b> <b>Ecully (FR)</b>	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Mr. Baron and Mr. Genin	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33–4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33–4) 78 33 58 96
<b>19–20 March 2008</b> <b>Hartford, Connecticut (US)</b>	English	“PCT Strategies - A Comprehensive PCT Training Seminar” WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Cantor Colburn LPP (Ms. Jessica Lister) Tel: (1–860) 286 29 29 Fax: (1–860) 286 29 29 E-mail: jllister@cantorcolburn.com
<b>8–9 April 2008</b> <b>Munich (DE)</b> <i>(previously announced as taking place in Heidelberg)</i>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (European Patent Office)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: a.kapeller@forum-institut.de
<b>15 April 2008</b> <b>New York (Manhattan) (US)</b>	English	Seminar on important developments with respect to the PCT WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan	International Intellectual Property Society (IIPS) (Mr. Harris A. Wolin) Tel: (1–908) 875 42 14 E-mail: harris.wolin@myerswolyn.com
<b>21–22 April 2008</b> <b>Singapore</b>	English	PCT Asia (Asian Regional Conference on the PCT) WIPO speakers: Mr. Gurry, Mr. Bryan and others to be announced	WIPO and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (Contact details to be announced)
<b>24 April 2008</b> <b>Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT presentation for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Mr. Genin	Fondation Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33–1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33–1) 42 66 17 37 E-mail: pheuze@fnde.asso.fr
<b>24–25 April 2008</b> <b>London (GB)</b>	English	Basic formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Coeckelbergs and Ms. Schwarz	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>25–26 April 2008</b> <b>Concord, New Hampshire (US)</b>	English	Comprehensive PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1–603) 228 15 41, ext. 1108 Fax: (1–603) 224 33 42 E-mail: cruh@piercelaw.edu Internet: www.piercelaw.edu/pct
<b>8–9 May 2008</b> <b>Vancouver (CA)</b>	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar for patent lawyers, agents and administrators WIPO speakers: Mrs Bidwell and Mr. Reed	University of Ottawa (Ms. Stephanie Planchak (MBM)) Tel: (1–613) 567-0762 Fax: (1–613) 563-7671 E-mail: splanchak@mbm.com
<b>19 May 2008</b> <b>Zurich (CH)</b>	German	PCT update presentation WIPO speaker: Mrs. Coeckelbergs <i>[Note that only a limited number of places are available]</i>	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Mr. Pieter Spierenburg) Tel: (41–56) 485 94 94 Fax: (41–56) 485 94 95 E-mail: ceipi@patent-anwalt.ch

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**PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]**

(situation on 1 March 2008)

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>29–30 May 2008 Munich (DE)</b>	English	US PCT Roundtable for paralegals and their direct supervisors with at least two years of experience. Speakers from the European Patent Office, the United States Patent and Trademark Office and WIPO to be announced.	Contact person: Ms. Katrina Braden-Elliott Tel: (1–202) 772 85 15 Fax: (1–202) 371 25 40 E-mail: kbraden@skgf.com
<b>10 October 2008 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the 7th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>21–22 October 2008 Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys and advanced paralegals WIPO speakers: to be announced	Swedish Patent and Registration Office (Ms. Inger Halvarsson, PRV InterPat - external training) Tel: (46–8) 782 28 84 Fax: (46–8) 783 01 63 E-mail: inger.halvarsson@prv.se
<b>23–24 October 2008 Copenhagen (DK)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	Danish Patent and Trademark Office (Ms. Anette Høgh Sonnichsen) Tel: (45) 43 50 80 31 Fax: (45) 43 50 80 01 E-mail: ahs@dkpto.dk
<b>4–5 December 2008 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced formalities seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk

**Other IP events****Strategic Intellectual Property Management Executive Program, Cape Town (South Africa), 15 and 16 April 2008**

Designed for senior executives, the International Executive Program, jointly offered by the Worldwide Academy of the World Intellectual Property Organization and the Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town, teaches how intellectual property (IP) can be strategically leveraged to create value and sustain competitive advantage over time in a rapidly changing environment. Thought leaders from leading business schools and the corporate world reveal unique insights and experiences on strategic IP management using lectures, case studies, best practices and group discussions. Special guest experts complement the foundations presented by the faculty.

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**WIPO-Kellogg Strategies for Management of Intellectual Property Executive Program, Chicago (USA), 9 to 12 June 2008**

As companies seek to achieve competitive advantage through exploitation of their technological assets, managing intellectual property has become a key issue for these companies. In most cases, IP is responsible for more than 70% of the market value of companies in the S & P index. This course is designed to expose participants to the various organizational skills needed so as to confidently develop, analyze and negotiate the IP of their corporation. Faculty from Kellogg School of Management and WIPO will help understand the strategic issues involved in IP management. Special guest experts complement the foundations presented by the faculty.

For further information on this event, visit: [www.wipo.int/academy/en/execed/sipm/chg\\_jun\\_08/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/academy/en/execed/sipm/chg_jun_08/index.html) or send an email to: [execed.academy@wipo.int](mailto:execed.academy@wipo.int).

## PCT Fee Tables

### (amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 3(a), (b), (c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 202(A). A 75% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30) and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—see footnotes 2 and 12. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

#### Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BGL	Bulgarian lev	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israel shekel	MXP	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
Currencies:		COP	Colombian peso	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	KP won	PLZ	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	KR won	ROL	Romanian leu		
AUD	Australian dollar	EEK	Estonian kroon	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AZM	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUR	Russian rouble		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDP	Sudanese pound		
		GEL	Georgian lari	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,400)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
							Item 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup> (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available									
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,400	15	–	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50 <i>(or eq in local currency)</i>	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	50	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD	1,374	15	98	196	295	–	AU
AZ	AZM	55,000	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGL	80	BGL eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP RU
BH	Information not yet available									
BR	BRR	305	BRR eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	AT EP SE US
BW	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP

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**Table (a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
							Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,196 <i>(from 1.5.08: 1,261)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,400	15	15	100	–	–	EP
CN	CNY	500	CNY	eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	CN
CO	COP <sup>9</sup>	–	COP	eq USD 1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	eq USD 13 <i>(14)</i>	13	eq USD 85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR	128.15	EUR	848	9	9	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	848	9	9	61	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR	848	9	9	61	121	182	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	6,320	70	70	450	900	1,350	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available									
DO	USD	275	USD	eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,400	15	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUR	1,600	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
EC	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP ES
EE	EEK	1,800	EEK	eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
EP	EUR	105 <i>(from 1.4.08: 110)</i>	EUR	848	9	9	–	121	182	EP
ES	EUR	69.25	EUR	848	9	9	61	121	182	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	848	9	9	–	121	182	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	848	9	9	61	121	182	EP
GB	GBP	55	GBP	591 <i>(from 1.5.08: 647)</i>	6 <i>(7)</i>	6	42 <i>(46)</i>	84 <i>(92)</i>	127 <i>(139)</i>	EP
GD	Information not yet available									
GE	GEL <sup>10</sup>	10	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	85 <i>(90)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
GH	GHC <sup>11</sup>	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,194 <i>(from 15.5.08: 1,263)</i>	13 <i>(14)</i>	13	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	848	9	9	61	–	–	EP
GT	Information not yet available									
HN	Information not yet available									
HR	HRK	200	HRK	eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
HU	HUF	10,700	HUF	eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
							Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
IB	CHF <sup>12</sup>	100	CHF	1,400	15		100	200	300	See footnote 13
	or EUR <sup>12</sup>	61	or EUR	848	9		61	121	182	
	or USD <sup>12</sup>	85	or USD	1,194	13		85	171	256	
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)		(90)	(180)	(271)	
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP
IL	ILS	490	USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	EP US
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
IN	INR	8,000	USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US
	(filing by indiv: 2,000)		(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
IS	ISK	6,500	ISK	74,100	800	5,300	–	–	–	EP SE XN
			(from 15.5.08: 85,100)		(900)	(6,100)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
IT	EUR	30.99	EUR	848	9	–	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY	13,000	JPY	137,000	1,500	9,800	–	–	29,400	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 250 plus cost of mailing		USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
KG	KGS eq USD	100	USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	EP RU
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
KM	Information not yet available									
KN	Information not yet available									
KP	KPW eq CHF	50	KPW eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW	45,000	KRW	1,099,000	12,000	79,000	–	–	236,000	AT AU JP <sup>14</sup> KR
			(from 1.5.08: 1,221,000)		(13,000)	(87,000)	(–)	(–)	(262,000)	
KZ	KZT	7,360	USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	EP RU
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
LA	Information not yet available									
LR	USD	45	USD	1,194	13	–	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(–)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
LS	LSM <sup>9</sup>	–	LSM eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL	320	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR	19	EUR	848	9	–	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL	47.20	EUR	848	9	61	–	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD <sup>9</sup>	–	CHF	1,400	15	100	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	None		CHF	1,400	15	–	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR	54 <sup>15</sup>	EUR	848	9	–	–	–	–	EP
MD	USD	40	USD	1,194	13	85	–	–	–	EP RU
			(from 15.5.08: 1,263)		(14)	(90)	(–)	(–)	(–)	
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP
MN	None		CHF	1,400	15	100	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	Information not yet available									
MW	MWK	6,000	MWK	166,800	1,800	11,900	–	–	–	EP
MX	MXP <sup>2</sup> eq USD	323.70	MXP eq CHF	1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP ES SE US

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
					Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
MY	MYR	375 <sup>16</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD	200	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR	50	EUR 848	9	61	121	182	EP
NO	NOK	550	NOK 6,590	70	470	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD	180 <sup>17</sup>	NZD 1,597	17	114	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF <sup>9</sup>	–	XAF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	Information not yet available							
PG	PGK	250	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP	3,500	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	171 (180)	256 (271)	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLZ	300	PLZ eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR	33.44	EUR 848	9	61	–	–	EP
RO	ROL	300,000	CHF 1,400	15	100	200	300	AT EP RU
RS	RSD	3,000	RSD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUR	600	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
SC	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDP	50	SDP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK 7,780	80	560	1,110	1,670	EP SE
SG	SGD	150	SGD 1,790	19	128	–	–	AT AU EP KR <sup>18</sup>
SI	EUR	91	EUR 848	9	61	–	–	EP
SK	SKK	2,000	SKK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
SM	EUR	50	EUR 848	9	–	–	–	EP
SV	Information not yet available							
SY	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP RU
TJ	TJS <sup>9</sup>	–	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>9</sup>	–	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>9</sup>	–	CHF 1,400	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	CHF	100	CHF 1,400	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH	255	USD (or eq UAH) 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD	300	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	171 (180)	– (–)	EP KR US

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
				Items 3(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 3(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 3(d) <sup>8</sup>	
UZ	USD <sup>9</sup> —	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	85 (90)	— (-)	— (-)	EP RU
VC	Information not yet available						
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 8,340	90	600	—	—	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	13 (14)	— (-)	— (-)	— (-)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,194 (from 15.5.08: 1,263)	eq USD 13 (14)	eq USD 85 (90)	— (-)	— (-)	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>									
AT	EUR 200	CHF 330	KRW 259,000	SGD 420	USD 282	ZAR 1,970				
AU	AUD 1,600 USD 1,390	CHF 1,630 ZAR 9,700	EUR 987	KRW 1,280,000	NZD 1,859	SGD 2,084				
CA	CAD 1,600 * (from 1.4.08: )	CHF* 1,872 CHF 1,777	EUR 1,134	USD 1,597						
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 328	EUR 199	USD 280						
EP <sup>19</sup>	EUR* 1,615 MWK* 318,000 ZAR* 15,880 * (from 1.4.08: ) JPY 268,800 USD 2,496	CHF* 2,667 NOK* 12,560 EUR 1,700 MWK 344,000 ZAR 19,160	DKK* 12,040 NZD* 3,043 CHF 2,726 NOK 13,440	GBP* 1,125 SEK* 14,820 DKK 12,670 NZD 3,163	ISK* 141,000 SGD* 3,410 GBP 1,273 SEK 15,830	JPY* 261,000 USD* 2,274 ISK 167,000 SGD 3,530				
ES <sup>19</sup>	EUR* 1,615 * (from 1.4.08: )	CHF* 2,667 EUR 1,700	USD* 2,274 CHF 2,726	USD 2,496						
FI	EUR 1,615	CHF 2,667	USD 2,274							
JP	JPY 97,000 * (from 15.5.08: )	CHF 991 KRW 852,000	EUR 600	KRW* 778,000	USD 845					
KR	KRW 225,000	CHF 287	EUR 173	NZD 327	SGD 366	USD 244				
RU <sup>20</sup>	USD 500	CHF 586	EUR 355							
SE	SEK* 14,820 USD* 2,274 * (from 1.4.08: ) NOK 13,440	CHF* 2,667 SEK 15,830 USD 2,496	DKK* 12,040 CHF 2,726	EUR* 1,615 DKK 12,670	ISK* 141,000 EUR 1,700	NOK* 12,560 ISK 167,000				
US	USD 1,800 * (from 1.4.08: )	CHF* 2,136 CHF 1,995	EUR 1,282	NZD 2,370	ZAR 12,340					
XN	DKK* 12,040 * (from 1.4.08: ) USD 2,496	CHF* 2,667 DKK 12,670	EUR* 1,615 CHF 2,726	ISK* 141,000 EUR 1,700	NOK* 12,560 ISK 167,000	USD* 2,274 NOK 13,440				

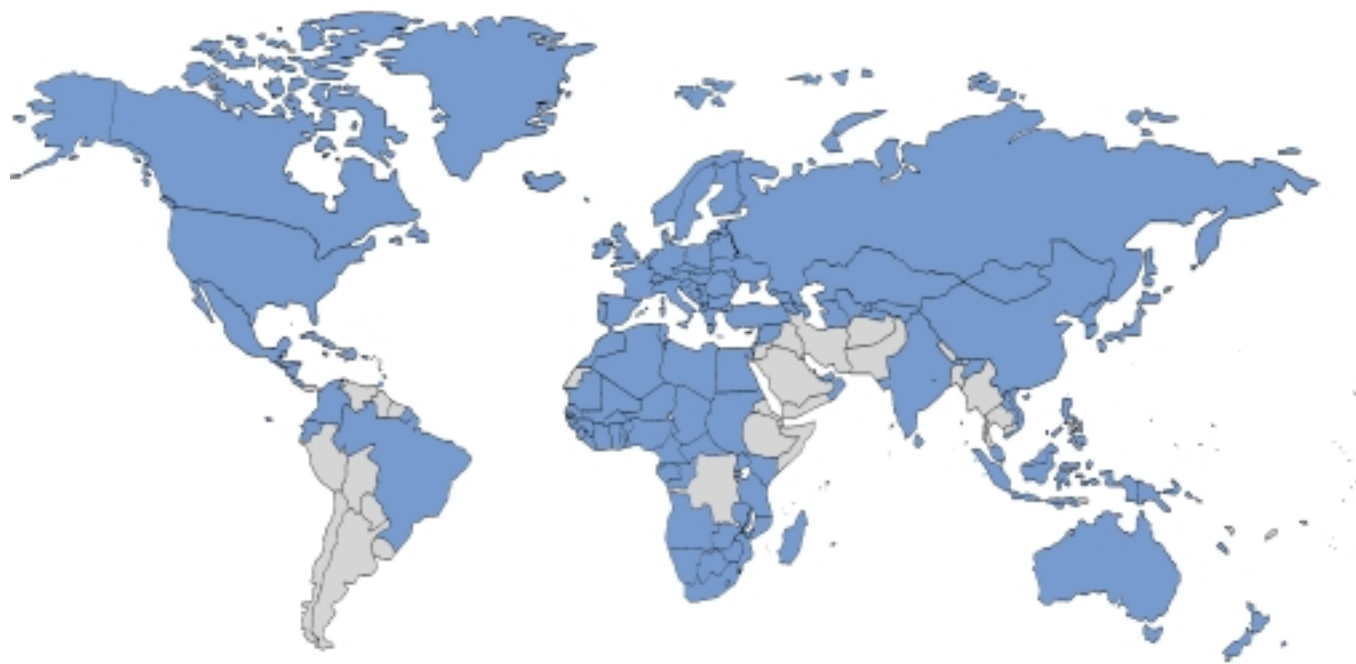
**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2008, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>21</sup>		Handling fee <sup>2, 21</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	EUR	200	EUR 121
AU	AUD	550 780 <sup>22</sup>	AUD 196
CA	CAD	800	CAD 171
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EP <sup>19</sup>	EUR	1,595 (from 1.4.08: 1,675)	EUR 121
ES	EUR	544.44	EUR 121
FI	EUR	550	EUR 121
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY 19,600
KR	KRW	225,000	KRW 157,000
RU <sup>20</sup>	USD	200 <sup>23</sup> 300 <sup>24</sup>	USD 171
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK 1,110
US	USD	600 750 <sup>25</sup>	USD 171
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK 900

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 3 Where the PCT application as filed contains a sequence listing part in computer readable form only, or both in that form and on paper, under Section 801 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, and where that application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept such filings, a fixed component of 400 times the fee per sheet over 30 is payable for the sequence listing part, irrespective of the actual length of that part (see Section 803(ii) of the *Administrative Instructions*).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 8 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 9 The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- 10 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 11 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 12 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 13 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 14 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 15 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 16 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 17 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
- 18 The Korean Intellectual Property Office is competent for international applications, the declared priority date of which or, if there is no declared priority date, the date of filing of which is on or after 2 June 2006.
- 19 The search fee payable to the EPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as well as the preliminary examination fee payable to the EPO, are reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State not party to the European Patent Convention, which fulfills the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in Item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations, and in accordance with the decision of the EPO's Administrative Council of 11 October 2000, the text of which was included in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2000. The States concerned are those indicated in part 1 of the table on the PCT Resources page of PatentScope at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf), with the exception of Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Turkey.
- 20 The applicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate applicable, on the date of payment, at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, provided that, in the case of the search fee, the receiving Office accepts payment in RUR.
- 21 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 22 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 23 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 24 In all cases where footnote 23 does not apply.
- 25 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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AE United Arab Emirates	CU Cuba	IN India	MG Madagascar	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IS Iceland (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia <sup>1</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania <sup>1</sup>	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MN Mongolia	SM San Marino
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SV El Salvador
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros	MW Malawi (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MX Mexico	SZ Swaziland (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EE Estonia (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	MY Malaysia	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EG Egypt	KR Republic of Korea	MZ Mozambique (AP)	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NA Namibia (AP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FI Finland (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LC Saint Lucia	NG Nigeria	TN Tunisia
BH Bahrain	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NI Nicaragua	TR Turkey (EP)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LK Sri Lanka	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LR Liberia	NO Norway (EP)	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia	LS Lesotho (AP)	NZ New Zealand	UA Ukraine
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LT Lithuania (EP)	OM Oman	UG Uganda (AP)
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	US United States of America
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PH Philippines	UZ Uzbekistan
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LY Libyan Arab Jamahiriya	PL Poland (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RO Romania (EP)	ZA South Africa
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MD Moldova (EA)	RS Serbia <sup>1</sup>	ZM Zambia (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HN Honduras	ME Montenegro	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CN China	HR Croatia (EP)		SC Seychelles	
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SD Sudan (AP)	
CR Costa Rica	ID Indonesia		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>		SG Singapore	
	IL Israel			

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

<sup>2</sup> May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).

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