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## Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

### Finland: ePCT-Filing available at Finnish Patent and Registration Office

The Finnish Patent and Registration Office as receiving Office (RO/FI) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect from 14 April 2014, it accepts international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing live pilot, in addition to PCT-SAFE and EPO online filing. This brings to five the total number of receiving Offices which accept ePCT-Filings.

A new notification containing the requirements and practices of RO/FI with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 1 May 2014 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

It is recalled that ePCT-Filing can be accessed only via ePCT private services, which requires the creation of a WIPO user account authenticated with a digital certificate. Therefore, applicants who would like to use the system, but do not yet have an account, should go to the ePCT Portal at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCT>

and follow the links to create an account and obtain a WIPO digital certificate. Note that it is possible to carry out demo filings by clicking on the link "Try ePCT in DEMO mode" in the list of shortcuts on the ePCT Portal.

For information on the difference between filing international applications using the PCT-SAFE software and filing international applications using ePCT-Filing, see the "Practical Advice" in this issue.

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

### Requirements and practices regarding the filing of international applications in electronic form

#### *Australia*

Further to the announcement that the Australian Patent Office accepts international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing live pilot with effect from 14 April 2014 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2014), a new notification containing the requirements and practices of that Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 10 April 2014 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

### *International Bureau*

Further to the announcement that the IB as receiving Office accepts international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing live pilot with effect from 11 October 2013 (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2013), a new notification containing the requirements and practices of that Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 8 May 2014 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

### **European Patent Office: Launching of a new feature for eOLF users**

The European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the IB that, on 22 April 2014, it launched a new feature of the EPO Online Filing software (eOLF). This new feature allows users of eOLF to submit PCT-related subsequently-filed documents and related fee payments for all PCT procedures (with the exception of the demand for international preliminary examination) to the EPO in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority. A “PCT-DEMAND” plug-in is currently under preparation.

Further information is available on the EPO’s website at:

<http://www.epo.org/applying/online-services/online-filing/documentation.html>

### **WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents**

It is recalled that, by using the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS), a PCT applicant can request the International Bureau (IB) to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. As from 1 July 2012, a new procedure (the “New Route”) was introduced for accessing Offices to retrieve priority documents from DAS by using access codes. Applicants can provide the access code directly to the Office of second filing, instead of the more complex procedure of giving that Office authorization to retrieve a priority document.

### **Korean Intellectual Property Office**

The Korean Intellectual Property Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 14 January 2014, it will deposit and retrieve priority documents according to the New Route (in accordance with paragraphs 10 and 12 of the modified Framework Provisions that came into effect on 1 July 2012), both as a depositing Office and as an accessing Office. Furthermore, a number of technical and operational options took effect as from 14 January 2014. For further information, see:

<http://www.wipo.int/das/en/notifications.html#korea>

### **Swedish Patent and Registration Office**

The Swedish Patent and Registration Office has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 July 2014, it will be possible for it to retrieve priority documents according to the New Route (in accordance with paragraphs 10 and 12 of the modified Framework Provisions that came into effect on 1 July 2012), as an accessing Office, as well as in its capacity as a depositing Office (the Office has already been acting as a depositing Office since 1 November 2011).

Furthermore, a number of technical and operational options will take effect on 1 July 2014. For further information see:

<http://www.wipo.int/das/en/notifications.html#sweden>

### **Lithuania: Reminder re the Closing of the National Route via the PCT**

As was announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2012, Lithuania will close its national route with effect from 4 September 2014. Applicants desiring protection in Lithuania will therefore no longer be able to enter the national phase in that country; they will only be able to enter the regional phase before the European Patent Office, noting that, since Lithuania became bound by the European Patent Convention (EPC) on 1 December 2004, international applications filed on or after that date automatically include the designation of Lithuania for a European patent.

It is recalled that an international application currently includes the designation for a European patent only of the following States which are party to the EPC and which have closed the national route: Belgium, Cyprus, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Malta, Monaco, the Netherlands and Slovenia.

### **Modifications to Certain PCT Forms**

Modifications have been made, with effect from 1 July 2014, to the following PCT forms:

PCT/RO/158	(Notification of Intended Refusal of Request to Restore Right of Priority and/or Invitation to Furnish Declaration or Other Evidence)
PCT/RO/159	(Notification of Decision on Request to Restore Right of Priority)
PCT/ISA/220	(Notification of Transmittal of the International Search Report and the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, or the Declaration)
PCT/IPEA/409	(International Preliminary Report on Patentability (Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty))

The modifications to forms PCT/RO/158 and 159 aim to better define the various grounds for intended refusal of a request to restore the right of priority, and a check-box has been inserted in PCT/RO/158 to invite the applicant to add the priority claim in respect of which the request for restoration of the right of priority was made. In the case of form PCT/ISA/220, a reminder about the time limit and procedures for requesting supplementary international search has been added.

The modifications to form PCT/IPEA/409 have been made as a result of the amendments to the PCT Regulations which will enter into force on 1 July 2014 and relate to the mandatory top-up searches under PCT Rule 66.1 *ter* which will be carried out by the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA); namely, a new item has been introduced in Box No. I (item 6) which allows the IPEA to indicate the date on which a top-up search was carried out and whether additional relevant documents have been discovered, or else to state that no top-up search was carried out because it would serve no useful purpose.

The modified forms, in PDF format, are available in English and French at, respectively:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/july\\_2014/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/july_2014/index.html)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/forms/july\\_2014/index.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/forms/july_2014/index.html)

## **PCT Information Update**

### **AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (e-mail address)**

The African Regional Intellectual Property Organization has discontinued the use of the following e-mail address: [aripo@ecoweb.co.zw](mailto:aripo@ecoweb.co.zw). However, their other e-mail address still applies ([mail@aripo.org](mailto:mail@aripo.org)).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B2 (AP))

### **AU Australia (means of telecommunication)**

The Australian Patent Office will discontinue the use of its facsimile machine on 4 June 2014. As a result of this, the office will no longer accept the filing of documents by fax as from 5 June 2014.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (AU))

### **CN China (special requirements for entry into the national phase)**

The State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China as designated (or elected) Office has removed the requirement for the furnishing of a translation of the international application in two copies.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (CN))

### **DE Germany (types of protection; special requirements for entry into the national phase)**

The German Patent and Trade Mark Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) of a change concerning the types of national protection available in Germany via the PCT – patents of addition are no longer available with effect from 1 April 2014. This updates the table of "Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States" published on the PCT website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/typesprotection.pdf>

There has also been a change in one of the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as designated (or elected) Office: if the international application is for a patent and a utility model, a power of attorney no longer needs to be furnished in duplicate (only the translation of the international application must be furnished in duplicate).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (DE) and National Chapter, Summary (DE))

### **FI Finland (inclusion of application documents in pre-conversion format; furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings)**

For information on the acceptance by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office as receiving Office (RO/FI) of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

The Office has notified the IB of a change regarding the filing of documents in pre-conversion format together with the international application. The files should be in ZIP format and contain texts either in ASCII plain text or in any other commonly known format.

The Office has notified the IB that it no longer accepts nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings on physical media; they should be attached to the international application filed in electronic form.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (FI), D (FI) and SISA (FI))

### IT Italy (number of copies required; fees; who can act as agent)

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office has changed its requirement concerning the number of copies of the international application to be filed with it as receiving Office: it now requires one copy, instead of three.

There has been a change in the amount of the fee for priority document, payable to the Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (payable in fee stamps):

Request to prepare the priority document: .....	EUR	16
– plus, for every four pages or fraction of four pages (description, claims, abstract, drawings, filing certificate and certificate of authenticity):.....	EUR	16
– plus, for a patent application: .....	EUR	7
– or, for a utility model application:.....	EUR	5

There has also been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office, which should now read:

Any Italian agent whose name appears on a list maintained by the Office, any lawyer or attorney-at-law whose name appears in the respective professional roll

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

### JP Japan (fees)

The Japan Patent Office has specified the cases where the transmittal fee, payable to it as receiving Office, is reduced:

This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see [http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho\\_keigen.htm](http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm)

The Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, has also notified the following information regarding reductions in the fee for request for examination:

The fee for request for examination is reduced where an international search report has been established. Moreover, reductions are available to individuals, small and medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises, academic institutions and certain other entities (see Annex JP.I).

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

**KR Republic of Korea (telephone number; fees)**

The telephone number of the Korean Intellectual Property Office has changed, as follows:

Telephone: (82-42) 481 51 94

A reduced filing fee is payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office with respect to patents and utility models when a copy of the application has been furnished to it in electronic form. The consolidated list of the different components of the filing fee now reads as follows:

For patent:

Filing fee

– when a copy of the application has been furnished in electronic form .....	KRW	38,000
plus, per sheet in excess of one .....	None	
– when a copy of the application has been furnished on paper .....	KRW	58,000
plus, per sheet in excess of 20 .....	KRW	1,000

For utility model:

Filing fee

– when a copy of the application has been furnished in electronic form .....	KRW	17,000
plus, per sheet in excess of one .....	None	
– when a copy of the application has been furnished on paper .....	KRW	27,000
plus, per sheet in excess of 20 .....	KRW	1,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (KR) and National Chapter, Summary (KR))

**MG Madagascar (location; telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses)**

The location and e-mail address of the Industrial Property Office of Madagascar have changed, and the Office has notified an additional telephone number and its Internet address, as follows:

Location: LOT VH 69 Volosarika Ambanidia  
Antananarivo 101  
Madagascar

Telephone: (261-20) 22 335 02, (261-34) 46 692 56

E-mail: [omapi@moov.mg](mailto:omapi@moov.mg)

Internet: [www.omapi.mg](http://www.omapi.mg)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (MG))

**NL The Netherlands (name of Office; telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses)**

The name of the Netherlands Patent Office in the Dutch language has changed, and the telephone number and e-mail and Internet addresses have changed, as follows:

Name of Office:	Octrooicentrum Nederland
Telephone:	(31-88) 602 66 60
E-mail:	octrooien@rvo.nl
Internet:	www.rvo.nl/octrooien

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (NL))

**NO Norway (fees)**

The amount of the transmittal fee, payable with effect from 1 April 2014 to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office, has changed to NOK 800.

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have also changed as from the same date, as follows:

Basic fee, including examination fee: .....	NOK	4,650 (850) <sup>1</sup>
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10: .....	NOK	250
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation or copy: .....	NOK	950
Annual fees for the first three years, per year:.....	NOK	700

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO) and National Chapter, Summary (NO))

**SE Sweden (provisional protection after international publication; requirements concerning the translation of the international application; furnishing of copies of international applications)**

The Swedish Patent and Registration Office has notified changes to the requirements concerning the translation of international applications with effect from 1 July 2014. As from that date, a patent in Sweden can also be granted in English. All patent documents may be furnished in Swedish or in English. However, a translation of the claims into Swedish is required where a patent in English is sought. The claims in English are considered to be the original claims.

This updates the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, with effect from 1 July 2014, as follows:

Provisional protection after international publication:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent:

After international publication, the furnishing of a translation into Swedish or English, or, if the international application was filed in Swedish or English, of a copy of the application as filed, gives the applicant provisional protection in the sense that he, upon grant of the patent, is entitled to damages. These are limited to what is judged

<sup>1</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable where the applicant is a physical person or a legal entity with less than 20 permanent employees.



reasonable in the circumstances and the protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent. See Sections 33, 58 and 60 of the Patents Act.

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent: [No change]

Translation of international application required into:

Swedish or English

Is a copy of the international application required?

No, where the international application was filed in a language other than Swedish or English

Yes, where it was filed in Swedish or English

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (SE) and National Chapter, Summary (SE))

### **SG Singapore (time limit for entry into the national phase)**

The Intellectual Property Office of Singapore has notified the International Bureau (IB) that the 30-month time limits under PCT Article 22(1) and 39(1)(a) may be extended by up to 18 months, provided that the applicant pays the prescribed fee. The Office also notified the IB that certain other time limits may also be extended for periods of 6 or 18 months or longer, but only at the discretion of the Registrar (Rules 108 and 109 of the Patents Rules of Singapore).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (SG) (footnotes))

### **Search fee (Japan Patent Office)**

The Japan Patent Office (JPO) has specified the cases where the fee payable to it for an international search is reduced, as follows:

This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see: [http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho\\_keigen.htm](http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, footnote to Annex D (JP))

### **Preliminary examination fee (JPO)**

The JPO has specified the cases where the fee payable to it for an international preliminary examination is reduced, as follows:

This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see: [http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho\\_keigen.htm](http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm)

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, footnote to Annex E (JP))



## Practical Advice

### Corrigendum

Reference is made to the “Practical Advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2014. In part (2) of the question and in the penultimate sentence of the last paragraph of the answer, “EP designation” should have read “designation for a European patent”.

### The differences between using the PCT-SAFE software and the ePCT-Filing system when filing international applications electronically

*Q: I work for an Australian firm of patent attorneys and it has, up until now, been the practice of our firm to prepare and file PCT applications using the PCT-SAFE software. However, we have seen that it is now possible for us to file international applications using ePCT-Filing with the Australian Patent Office as receiving Office (as well as with the International Bureau as receiving Office). What are the differences between these two ways of electronic filing?*

**A:** PCT-SAFE, which has been available since 2003, is locally installed software which holds all its data on the individual user’s machine. The application contains reference data, such as fee amounts and competent Offices, which are typically updated once a quarter. Many users do not have the administrator privileges on their computers that they need to perform the update themselves without the assistance of their IT departments, and thus may not always have the most up-to-date version of the software installed at the time of filing. No Internet connection is required until the point of online submission of the PCT application.

ePCT-Filing is a web-based solution for online preparation and filing of international applications using ePCT private services, hosted at the International Bureau (IB). Provided that you already have a suitable web browser and that you have obtained a WIPO digital certificate, ePCT-Filing does not require any particular software to be installed on your computer, as you work directly online. The reference data is the live information held at the IB, which is promptly updated after the IB has been notified of any relevant changes.

ePCT-Filing has a wider range of checks than the PCT-SAFE software. By preparing an international application using ePCT-Filing, most formalities errors and certain physical defects will be detected prior to submission and can be corrected by the applicant before the application is filed. Also, ePCT provides previews of the data and documents to be filed from the same IT systems that are used by the IB itself, so you can be confident that there will not be discrepancies between what you see in ePCT and what the IB will receive for processing.

By using ePCT-Filing, your international application will be associated with your ePCT account before it is even filed, so it is possible to share access rights with colleagues or associates prior to filing, if required. Subsequently, post-filing access to the file is already established with no need to request access rights separately to the IB in order to see the online file and receive notifications about the processing status of the application. Like PCT-SAFE, ePCT-Filing offers an address book function, and it is possible to import PCT-SAFE address book data into ePCT. This address book can be shared by several users.

The IB encourages users to start using ePCT-Filing whenever this is possible. At the time of writing this, the only Offices which currently accept the filing of international applications in this way are the receiving Offices of: Australia, Austria, Finland, Sweden and the IB. However, since applicants who are residents and/or nationals of any PCT Contracting State are entitled to file international applications with the IB, this means that ePCT-Filing is open to all applicants at the RO/IB, provided that any national security provisions have been met prior to filing.

When filing with the RO/IB, or with an Office which uses a hosted server, such as the Australian Patent Office, the full contents of the application should normally be available online immediately after filing. However, in the case of receiving Offices which already operate their own e-filing server, such as the Swedish Patent and Registration Office, the full contents of the submitted application will not be available online in ePCT until the receiving Office transmits the record copy to the IB, although you will still be able to see the as-filed version of the application in ePCT. Where the receiving Office, International Searching Authority or International Preliminary Examining Authority permits it (something which is already possible in the case of the Australian Patent Office in its capacity as RO, ISA and IPEA and which the IB hopes will soon be increasingly the case at other Offices), ePCT also allows you to upload post-filing documents to those Offices via the same ePCT interface rather than you having to post, fax or have a separate online account with them.

Note that if you do, for the time being, continue to use PCT-SAFE, you can, nevertheless, benefit from ePCT private services, for example to access your application files and carry out various “Actions” on your files, by taking eOwnership of the applications. You can request eOwnership at the time of filing by providing the ePCT customer ID along with a one-time security code generated in ePCT. Further information on the use of PCT-SAFE, including the user guide entitled “Assign eOwnership in ePCT at the time of filing”, is available at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/user\\_documentation.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/support/user_documentation.htm)

Both PCT-SAFE and ePCT-Filing entitle the applicant to the same reduction in the international filing fee, as indicated in item 4(d) of the Schedule of Fees at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/rules/rtax.htm#\\_S](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/rules/rtax.htm#_S)

Although there is no problem with you continuing to file international applications using PCT-SAFE, it would certainly be beneficial for you to start using ePCT-Filing, and the IB hopes that all PCT users will migrate to using ePCT-Filing wherever possible.

An ePCT-Filing demo system has been set up to enable filers to familiarize themselves with the system, and filers are encouraged to move to production ePCT-Filing at their convenience. For further information and to get started, go to the ePCT Portal at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCT>

or contact the PCT eServices Help Desk at:

e-mail: [epct@wipo.int](mailto:epct@wipo.int)

telephone: (+41-22) 338 9523

<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf">http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf</a> ) (situation on 8 May 2014)			
<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>13 May 2014 Nanchang (Jiangxi Province) (CN)</b>	Chinese/ English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Yu	State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) (Ms. Yang Ping) Tel: (86-10) 62 08 63 65 E-mail: yangping@sipo.gov.cn
<b>13 May 2014 Minneapolis, MN (US)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Patent Practitioners WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Schwegman, Lundberg & Woessner For pre-registration, contact: Ms. Mary E. Hirsch Tel: (1-612) 371 21 43 Fax: (1-612) 339 30 61 E-mail: mhirsch@slwip.com
<b>16 May 2014 Hangzhou (Zhejiang Province) (CN)</b>	Chinese/ English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Yu	State Intellectual Property Office of the People's Republic of China (SIPO) (see Nanchang, above)
<b>3–5 June 2014 Geneva (CH)</b>	English	PATENTSCOPE Training Course at WIPO Headquarters WIPO speakers: Mr. Mazenc, Mr. Pouliquen, and Mr. Diaconescu	WIPO E-mail: patentscope@wipo.int Further information and online registration: <a href="http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.js?meeting_id=32383">http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.js?meeting_id=32383</a>
<b>3–4 June 2014 Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	Advanced course on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	Trona Patentrådgivning (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: <a href="http://www.ipakademin.se">www.ipakademin.se</a>
<b>5–6 June 2014 Highland Heights, KY (US)</b>	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	NKU Chase Law and Informatics Institute, and CincylIP (Ms. Lindsey L. Jaeger) Tel: (1-859) 572 78 53 Fax: (1-859) 572 53 42 E-mail: jaegerl1@nku.edu Internet: <a href="http://chaselaw.nku.edu/centers/lawinformatics/pct.html">http://chaselaw.nku.edu/centers/lawinformatics/pct.html</a>
<b>6 June 2014 Tokyo (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
<b>9 June 2014 Nagoya (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Tokyo, above)
<b>10 June 2014 Osaka (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Tokyo, above)
<b>17 June 2014 Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Fédération Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) (Ms. Alexandra Dupont) Tel: (33-1) 42 66 18 19 Fax : (33-1) 42 66 17 37 E-mail: adupont@fnde.asso.fr
<b>19–20 June 2014 London (GB)</b>	English	Basic PCT formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Gateau and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk

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<b>PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]</b>			
<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>4 July 2014 Madrid (ES)</b>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the epi-CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Francisco Bernardo Noriega) Tel: (34) 91 417 13 00 Fax: (34) 91 417 13 01 e-mail: fbernardo@abgpatentes.com
<b>8 July 2014 Munich (DE)</b>	English	PCT presentation at the "IP Executive week" (7-11 July 2014) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	European Patent Academy Deadline for registration: 31 May 2014. For further information and registration, go to: <a href="http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/training/institutional-strengthening.html">http://www.epo.org/learning-events/events/training/institutional-strengthening.html</a>
<b>30 September– 2 October 2014 Las Vegas, NV (US)</b>	English	Comprehensive PCT course WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 683 18 95 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: <a href="http://patentresources.com">http://patentresources.com</a>
<b>1–2 October 2014 The Hague (NL)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar "PCT at the EPO 2014" (1-2 October 2014) – for industry and patent attorneys interested in prosecuting PCT applications with the European Patent Office (EPO) WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bonvallet Other speakers from the EPO, other patent Offices, as well as from private practice and industry	European Patent Academy (Professional Representatives Unit) Tel: (49-89) 2399 5196 E-mail: profrep@epo.org Deadline for registration: 31 July 2014. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.epo.org/pct-conference">http://www.epo.org/pct-conference</a>
<b>6 October 2014 Zurich (CH)</b>	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Hansjörg Kley) Tel: (41-52) 226 00 00 Fax: (41-52) 226 00 09 E-mail: hansjoerg@kley.ch
<b>9 October 2014 Barcelona (ES)</b>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the epi-CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Antonio López-Carrasco Comajuncosas, Patent Office, Telefónica Digital) E-mail: alcc@tid.es
<b>10 October 2014 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the 13th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators (9-10 October 2014) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>15–16 October 2014 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
<b>5–6 November 2014 Munich (DE)</b>	German	International Patent Law Conference: PCT Update WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH (see Munich, above)

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**PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]**

<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>7 November 2014 Heidelberg (DE)</b>	German	Presentation on the PCT System, within the framework of "PaFa-Tagung – Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators and Patent Assistants" (6–7 November 2014) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	IP for IP GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz and Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-6201) 844 37 30 Fax: (49-6201) 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
<b>2–3 December 2014 Paris (FR)</b>	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Chatel	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr
<b>4 December 2014 Paris (FR)</b>	French	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (see Paris, above)
<b>4–5 December 2014 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd (see London, above)
<b>11 December 2014 Lisbon (PT)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. João Amaral, National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)) Tel: (351) 218 818 100 Fax: (351) 218 878 508 E-mail: jamaral@inpi.pt
<b>16 January 2015 Cracow (PL)</b> <i>[Note that only a limited number of places are available]</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Lukasz Bodgan) Tel: (48) 604 406 432 E-mail: lukasz.bogdan@agh.edu.pl

**PCT Webinars**

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>14 May 2014</b> 1.00 p.m. to 2.00 p.m., central European time	English	"Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty for SMEs" For further information: <a href="http://www.insme.org/insmeacademy/sessions">http://www.insme.org/insmeacademy/sessions</a> WIPO speaker: Mr. Sim	Organized by International Network for Small and Medium Enterprises (INSME) Note that there are limited places available. For registration, send an e-mail with your name, country and e-mail address to: <a href="mailto:academy@insme.it">academy@insme.it</a>
<b>16 May 2014</b> 2.00 pm to 2.45 p.m., central European time (4.00 p.m. to 4.45 p.m., Moscow time)	Russian	Overview of the PCT System in Russian WIPO speaker: Mr. Gavrikov	<a href="https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/887363842">https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/887363842</a>

**PCT Events Without WIPO speakers**

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>16 June 2014 Denver, CO (US)</b>	English	PCT Boot Camp: "Learn the Basics" Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: 1-571 212 3868 Fax: 1-703-636-8974 Email: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 May 2014, 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 4(a), (b), (c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% 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 15. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% 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 –	BRL	Brazilian real	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYR	Belarusian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MXN	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian Rial	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	ZAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won	PLN	Polish zloty		
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won	RON	New leu		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	GTQ	Quetzal	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 May 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)	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>	
					Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup> (CHF 300)		
AG	Information not yet available							CA	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	(or eq in local currency)								
AT	EUR	50	EUR	1,084	12	–	163	244	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,657	19	125	249	374	AU KR
AZ	AZN	10	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR	1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT AU EP KR
BR	BRL <sup>9</sup>	online: 175 on paper: 235	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD <sup>10</sup>	–	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,471	17	111	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,638	18	123	246	369	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>11</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>11</sup>	1,471	eq USD <sup>11</sup> 17	eq USD <sup>11</sup> 111	–	–	EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN

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

(amounts on 1 May 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

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				Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>		
CO	COP 865,000 <sup>12</sup>	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT, BR, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES	
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP ES RU	
CY	EUR 128.15	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP	
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP	
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP	
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 8,090	90	610	1,220	1,820	EP SE XN	
DM	Information not yet available							
DO	USD 275	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES US	
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP	
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU	
EC	USD <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES	
EE	EUR 115.04	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP	
EG	USD 142	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EG EP US	
EP	EUR 130	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP	
ES	EUR 74.25	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP ES	
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR 60	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP	
GB	GBP 75	GBP 914	10	–	138	206	EP	
GD	Information not yet available							
GE	USD <sup>13</sup> 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU	
GH	GHS <sup>14</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT BR EP ES US	
HN	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES	
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP	
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 320,000 (from 1.6.14: 341,400)	HUF 3,600 (3,900)	HUF 24,100 (25,700)	–	–	EP RU	
IB	CHF <sup>15</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>15</sup> 81 or USD <sup>15</sup> 111	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,084 or USD 1,471	15 12 17	100 81 111	200 163 221	300 244 332	See footnote 16	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP JP KR RU	
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP	
IL	ILS 556	USD 1,471	17	111	221	332	EP IL US	
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT AU CN EP IN SE US	
IR	IRR <sup>10</sup> –	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP RU	
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 177,900	2,000	13,400	26,700	40,100	EP SE XN	
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP	
JP	JPY 10,000 <sup>17</sup>	JPY 154,800	1,700	11,600	–	34,900	EP JP	
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU	
KN	Information not yet available							
KN	Information not yet available							EP
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT CN RU	
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>18</sup> KR	
KZ	KZT 8,243 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU	
LR	USD 45	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
LS	LSL <sup>10</sup> –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP	
LT	LTL 320	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP RU	

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

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				Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 68.87	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD <sup>10</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 <sup>20</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 <sup>21</sup>	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 550,000	6,200	41,400	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 <sup>22</sup>	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) <sup>23</sup> 550 (paper filing) <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,084	12	–	163	244	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 8,780	100	–	1,320	1,980	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 <sup>24</sup>	NZD 1,767	20	133	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF <sup>10</sup> –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PA	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	BR EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,471	eq USD 17	eq USD 111	–	–	AT EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,471	17	111	221	332	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR 20.85	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	RON 360	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP RU
RS	RSD 7,020 <sup>25</sup>	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 850	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	CA EG EP RU
SC	USD <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,440	110	710	1,420	2,130	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,835	21	138	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,084	12	81	–	–	EP
SK	EUR 66 <sup>26</sup>	EUR 1,084	12	81	163	244	EP
SM	EUR 70	EUR 1,084	12	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP ES
SY	USD <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>10</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD <sup>27</sup> 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU

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

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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 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
US	USD 240 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 120 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 60 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,471	17	111	221	–	AU EP KR RU US
UZ	USD <sup>10</sup> –	USD 1,471	17	111	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 15,860	180	1,190	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,471	17	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,471	eq USD 17	eq USD 111	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 May 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>							
AT <sup>30</sup>	EUR 1,785	CHF 2,190	KRW 2,599,000	SGD 3,020	USD 2,423	ZAR 26,260		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,972 *(from 1.6.14: 2,345)	CHF 1,765 ZAR 20,730 NZD 2,345)	EUR 1,449	KRW 2,070,000	NZD* 2,493	SGD 2,590		
BR <sup>31</sup>	BRL 2,250	CHF 853	EUR 697	USD 954				
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,299	EUR 1,066	USD 1,442				
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 310	EUR 253	USD 343				
EG <sup>32</sup>	EGP 4,000	CHF 525	EUR 427	USD 580				
EP <sup>33</sup>	EUR 1,875 JPY 267,300 USD 2,545	CHF 2,301 MWK 951,000 ZAR 27,580	DKK 13,990 NOK 15,180	GBP 1,582 NZD 3,057	HUF 553,600 SEK 16,330	ISK 308,000 SGD 3,180		
ES <sup>33</sup>	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,301	USD 2,545					
FI	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,301	USD 2,545					
IL	ILS 3,564	CHF 913	EUR 745	USD 1,021				
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by an individual: INR 2,500	CHF 147 37	EUR 119 30	USD 162 41				
JP <sup>17</sup>	JPY 70,000	CHF 601	EUR 491	KRW 716,000	SGD 850	USD 673		
KR	For international applications in English: KRW 1,300,000 USD 1,212 For international applications in Korean: KRW 450,000 USD 420	AUD 1,376 CHF 379	CHF 1,096 EUR 309	EUR 893 NZD 504	NZD 1,456 SGD 520	SGD 1,510		
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 6,750 *(from 1.6.14: 41,700) For international applications in English: RUB 28,000 *(from 1.6.14: 172,900)	CHF 171 HUF 41,700 CHF 709 HUF 172,900	EUR 140 EUR 580	HUF* 45,500 HUF* 188,800	USD 192 USD 795			
SE	SEK 16,330 USD 2,545	CHF 2,301	DKK 13,990	EUR 1,875	ISK 308,000	NOK 15,180		
US	USD 2,080 For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 1,040 For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 520	CHF 1,880 CHF 940 CHF 470	EUR 1,532 EUR 766 EUR 383	NZD 2,500 NZD 1,249 NZD 625	ZAR 22,550 ZAR 11,280 ZAR 5,640			
XN	DKK 13,990 USD 2,545	CHF 2,301	EUR 1,875	ISK 308,000	NOK 15,180	SEK 16,330		

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**

(amounts on 1 May 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 34</sup>
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,043 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,460 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,086	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
RU	eq in CHF of RUB <sup>35</sup> 11,800 (18,880) <sup>36</sup>	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,301	CHF 200
XN	– for a full search: CHF 2,301 – for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 660	CHF 200

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 May 2014, unless otherwise indicated)

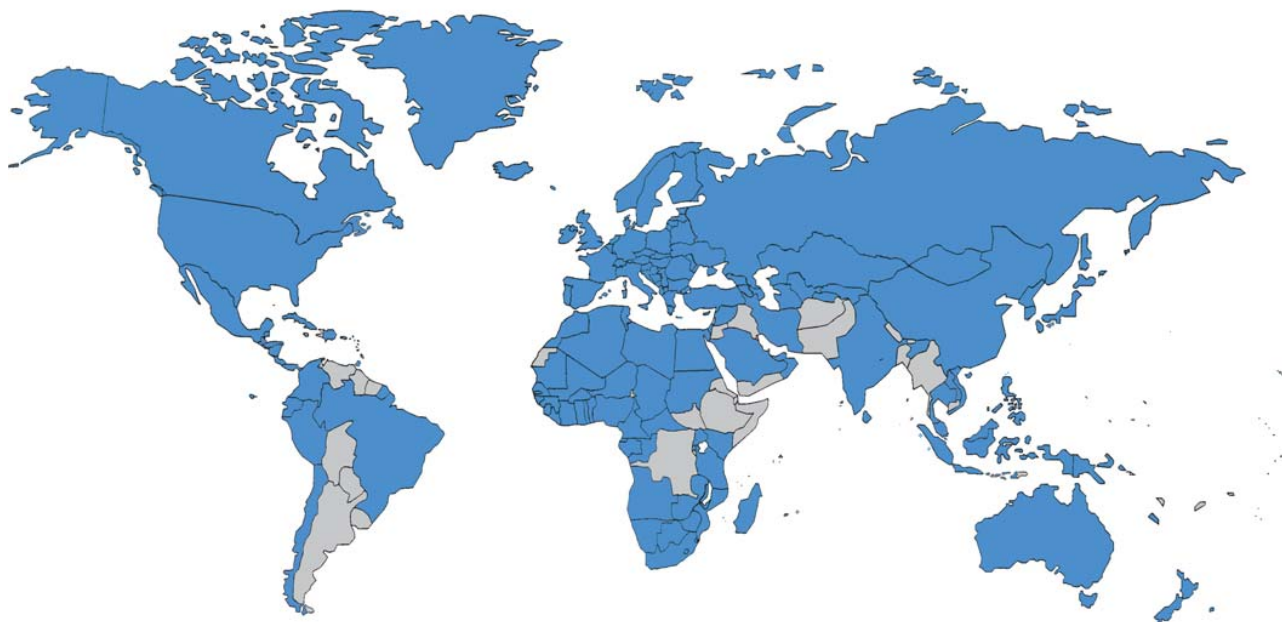
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>37</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 37</sup> (CHF 200)
AT <sup>30</sup>	EUR 1,675	EUR 163
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>38</sup>	AUD 249
BR <sup>31</sup>	BRL 840	BRL 488
CA	CAD 800	CAD 246
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EG <sup>32</sup>	EGP 3,000	EGP 1,525
EP <sup>33</sup>	EUR 1,930	EUR 163
ES	EUR 583.65	EUR 163
FI	EUR 600	EUR 163
IL	ILS 1,527	ILS 786
IN	INR 12,000; in case of filing by an individual: INR 3,000	USD 221
JP	JPY 26,000 <sup>17</sup>	JPY 23,300
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 237,000
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 2,700 <sup>39</sup> 4,050 <sup>40</sup> For international applications in English: RUB 10,500 <sup>39</sup> 15,750 <sup>40</sup>	USD 221
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 1,420
US	USD 600 760 <sup>41</sup> For small entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 300 380 <sup>41</sup> For micro entity <sup>29</sup> : USD 150 190 <sup>41</sup>	USD 221
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,220

*[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]*

*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 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 3 Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: [http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett\\_09.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf)).
- 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 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 211/09 of 14 May 2009.
- 10 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.
- 11 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 13 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 14 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.
- 15 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 16 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).
- 17 This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see: [http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho\\_keigen.htm](http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm)
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 19 This fee is subject to value added tax (VAT). Applicants may consult the receiving Office or a registered patent attorney for the latest applicable VAT rate.
- 20 This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a public university, a small or medium enterprise (in accordance with the criteria of the charter for small or medium enterprises) or a natural person who is a national of and resides in one of the States entitled to a reduction under the PCT (for the list of States see [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)).
- 21 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 24 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 26 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 27 This fee is reduced by 95% where all applicants are also inventors and by 90% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 90%.
- 28 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 29 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: [http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated\\_rules.pdf](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 The fee is 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 for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 31 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium enterprise or an academic institution.
- 32 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 33 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% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnote in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP) at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 34 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 35 The amount payable is the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 36 This fee applies where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made by the International Searching Authority because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv) (methods of treatment).
- 37 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 38 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 40 In all cases where footnote 39 does not apply.
- 41 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)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (148 on 1 May 2014)



AE United Arab Emirates	CR Costa Rica	IN India	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CU Cuba	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IS Iceland (EP)	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP)
AO Angola	DE Germany (EP)	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	ST Sao Tome and Principe
AU Australia	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DO Dominican Republic	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2,3</sup>	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	DZ Algeria	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NA Namibia (AP)	SZ Swaziland (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BB Barbados	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia
BN Brunei Darussalam	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LR Sri Lanka	OM Oman	TR Turkey (EP)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LT Lithuania (EP)	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LY Libya	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	QA Qatar	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RO Romania (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ME Montenegro <sup>1</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	ZA South Africa
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MG Madagascar	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP)	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)		SA Saudi Arabia	
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		SC Seychelles	
	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>		SD Sudan (AP)	
	IL Israel		SE Sweden (EP)	
			SG Singapore	

1 Extension of European patent possible.

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

3 Only international applications filed on or after 25 May 2013 include the designation of this State for an OAPI patent. For international applications filed before that date, extension of OAPI patent possible.

4 Only international applications filed before 26 April 2012 include the designation of this State for a Eurasian patent.

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

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Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 16 September 2012). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.