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## Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

### Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

As announced in the *PCT Newsletter* Update on 14 July 2017, the Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 25 July 2017.

The Office will accept international applications filed using ePCT. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of the Office with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 13 July 2017 at:

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

The acceptance of ePCT-Filings by the Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan) brings to 48 the total number of receiving Offices which do so<sup>1</sup>.

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

## PCT Statistics 2016

### The PCT Yearly Review, 2017 edition

The 2017 edition of the PCT Yearly Review summarizes PCT activities and developments in 2016, and contains a comprehensive set of statistics relating to PCT filings (including filings by top countries of origin, by top applicants and by technical field) and the performance of the international patent system in 2016, as well as statistics relating to national phase entries in 2015.

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<sup>1</sup> ePCT-Filing is now available for online filing with the following receiving Offices: RO/IB, RO/AT, RO/AU, RO/AZ, RO/BG, RO/BN, RO/BR, RO/CH, RO/CL, RO/CO, RO/CU, RO/CZ, RO/DK, RO/DO, RO/DZ, RO/EA, RO/EE, RO/EP, RO/FI, RO/GE, RO/HU, RO/ID, RO/IN, RO/IR, RO/IS, RO/JO, RO/LV, RO/MA, RO/MX, RO/MY, RO/NO, RO/NZ, RO/OM, RO/PA, RO/PH, RO/PL, RO/PT, RO/QA, RO/RU, RO/SA, RO/SE, RO/SG, RO/SK, RO/TR and RO/ZA. ePCT can be used to prepare international applications for online filing with the following receiving Offices: RO/CA, RO/IL and RO/US.

Furthermore, the PCT Yearly Review also includes, for the first time, PCT filing data relating to female inventors. This follows an earlier global study that was published by WIPO in 2016 relating to PCT applications filed by women (for further information, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2016, page 7).

The special theme in the PCT Yearly Review this year is how applicants time their international patent filings. It analyzes the proportions of applicants who accelerated part of their patenting process by filing a PCT application before the 12-month limit from the priority date or by entering the national phase before the 30-month limit. It also looks at whether the shares of entries initiated before the time limit vary across fields of technology.

The PCT Yearly Review is available in English at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/index.html>

where there is also a link to the data and graphs associated with the Review, which contain:

- images of all the graphs and tables (including titles, sources and notes); and
- details of the data behind all graphs and tables.

The highlights from the PCT Yearly Review will be available shortly in the following eight languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Russian and Spanish.

## **PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilot Program**

### **New pilots start between the European Patent Office and the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia and the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines)**

On 1 July 2017, new one-way PCT-PPH pilot programs started between the European Patent Office (EPO) and the following Offices:

- the Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia, and
- the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines).

Under these programs, accelerated processing in the national phase in Malaysia and the Philippines is available on the basis of a PCT application with a positive written opinion from either the International Searching Authority (ISA) or the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA), or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP) (Chapter II) (that is, where at least one of the claims has been determined as patentable), issued by the EPO in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

Further information on the above-mentioned PCT-PPH agreements is available as follows:

EPO and Malaysia:

<http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2017/06/a46.html>

EPO and the Philippines:

<http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2017/06/a47.html>

and:

<http://www.epo.org/news-issues/news/2017/20170704.html>

## More Offices join the Global PPH pilot

On 6 July 2017, the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand and the Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia) joined the Global PPH (GPPH), bringing the number of Offices that have signed up to the pilot to 24.

It is recalled that under this pilot, it is possible for a request for accelerated processing to be made at any participating office based on work products (including, where applicable, a PCT written opinion from either the ISA or the IPEA, or an international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP) (Chapter II)), from any one of the other participating offices, provided that at least one claim has been found to be patentable by the office of earlier examination, and that any other applicable eligibility criteria are met. The pilot uses a single set of qualifying requirements and aims to simplify and improve the existing PPH network to make it more accessible to users.

For further information, including the eligibility requirements for making use of the GPPH pilot, see the PPH Portal Site at:

<http://www.jpo.go.jp/ppph-portal/globalpph.htm>

Information has also been published on the websites of the above-mentioned Offices at, respectively:

<https://www.iponz.govt.nz/about-ip/patents/gpph/>

<http://www.sic.gov.co/ruta-pi/junio14/la-sic-en-el-club-de-los-grandes>

The PCT-PPH page of the PCT website has been updated to include information on these new pilots at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct\\_pph.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html)

## Eligibility for Reductions in Certain PCT Fees

The lists of States discussed below, whose nationals and/or residents are eligible for certain PCT fee reductions, have been updated with effect from 1 July 2017 and are available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/index.html>

## Applicability of 75% reduction in certain fees at the European Patent Office

The following States have been added to the list of States whose nationals and/or residents are eligible for a 75% reduction in certain fees payable to the European Patent Office (that is, States classified as low-income and lower-middle-income economies by the World Bank):

Angola  
Jordan  
Mongolia  
Tunisia

The following States have been deleted from the list of States whose nationals and/or residents are eligible for a 75% reduction in certain fees payable to the European Patent Office (that is, States classified as low-income and lower-middle-income economies by the World Bank):

Guyana  
Samoa

### **Applicability of 75% reduction in international search fee at the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**

The following States have been added to the list of States whose nationals and/or residents are eligible for a 75% reduction in the search fee payable to the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as International Searching Authority (that is, the States classified as low-income, lower-middle-income and upper-middle-income economies by the World Bank, which are not party to the European Patent Convention):

Argentina  
Nauru

and the following State has been deleted from that list, as it is now classified as a high income economy:

Palau

It is recalled that, in order to file an international application, at least one applicant must be a national of, or a resident in, a PCT Contracting State (PCT Article 9(1)). Applicants from non-PCT Contracting States must therefore file a PCT application together with an applicant who is a national of and/or resides in a PCT Contracting State, and they may only benefit from a fee reduction if both (or all) applicants are entitled to the reduction.

## **PCT-SAFE Update**

### **Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software**

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.078.254, dated 1 July 2017) is now available and can be downloaded at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/download/download\\_client.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/download/download_client.html)

Further details on this new version of PCT-SAFE are available in the “Release notes” and the “What’s new” document on the above-mentioned web page.

## **PCT Information Update**

### **AL Albania (name of Office; location and mailing address; Internet address)**

The name, location and mailing address, and the Internet address of the General Directorate of Patents and Trademarks (Albania) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office:               Drejtoria e Përgjithshme e Pronësisë Industriale  
  General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) (Albania)

Location and  
mailing address:           Bulevardi “Zhan D’Ark”  
                                      Prona Nr. 33  
                                      Shtëpia e Ushtarakëve  
                                      Tirana  
                                      Albania

Internet:                     www.dppm.gov.al

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex B1 (AL))

### CA Canada (fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 05/2017, the Canadian Intellectual Property Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that the correct amount of the fee for additional copies of non-patent literature documents and copies of published patent documents available to both applicants and designated (or elected) Offices upon request is, for each request:

- in paper form, per page:       CAD 1
- in electronic form:            CAD 10 for the first 7 megabytes; plus  
  CAD 10 for each additional 10 megabytes or part thereof  
  exceeding the first 7 megabytes

In addition, the fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application, payable to the Office as an International Preliminary Examining Authority, is now as follows:

- in paper form, per page:       CAD 1
- in electronic form:            CAD 10 for the first 7 megabytes; plus  
  CAD 10 for each additional 10 megabytes or part thereof  
  exceeding the first 7 megabytes

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annexes D and E (CA))

### GB United Kingdom (fees)

The Intellectual Property Office<sup>2</sup> (United Kingdom) has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 July 2017, the Office will be bound by new PCT Rule 23bis.2(a), which requires receiving Offices to transmit earlier search and classification results to the International Searching Authority (ISA). Under the new rule, it will no longer be necessary for applicants to request that the Office prepares and transmits a copy of earlier United Kingdom search results, since these reports will be automatically transferred to the ISA. The fee for such requests will therefore no longer be payable with effect from 1 July 2017.

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

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<sup>2</sup> Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

### **IS Iceland (e-mail notifications; requirements concerning agent; fees)**

The Icelandic Patent Office has notified the IB that it will now send notifications via e-mail in respect of international applications.

There has been a change in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office – in addition to any natural or legal person residing in the European Economic Area, any natural or legal person residing in a member State of the European Free Trade Association or in the Faroe Islands may now also act as agent.

As from 1 September 2017, 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 applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

### **IT Italy (language of filing)**

The Italian Patent and Trademark Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB of a change in its requirements relating to the language in which international applications may be filed. In accordance with Article 152(2) of Decree-Law No. 30 of 10 February 2005, an international application filed in English, French or German by a resident of Italy must be accompanied by a summary in Italian which defines in a comprehensive manner the characteristics of the invention and a copy of any drawings (only for the purposes of Article 198(1) of the above mentioned Decree-Law) if no priority of an earlier national (Italian) application is claimed or, where such priority is claimed, if the international application is filed prior to the expiration of 90 days from the filing date of that earlier national application.

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

### **JO Jordan (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)**

The Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan) has specified, with effect from 27 July 2017, the Australian Patent Office, in addition to the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Jordan with the Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan), or with the IB, as receiving Office.

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

### **KG Kyrgyzstan (name of Office; Internet address)**

The name in the Kyrgyz language and the Internet address of the State Service of Intellectual Property and Innovation under the Government of the Kyrgyz Republic have changed, as follows:

Name of Office: Kyrgyz Respublikasynyn Okmotunun karashtuu Intellektualdyk Menchik jana Innovacialar Mamlekettik Kyzmaty

Internet: <http://patent.kg/index.php/en/>

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

### **LU Luxembourg (location; fax number; special requirements for entry into the national phase; who can act as agent)**

The location of the Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg) has changed, and the Office has notified an additional fax number, as follows:

Location: Ministère de l'Économie  
19-21, Boulevard Royal  
Luxembourg-Ville  
Luxembourg

Fax: (352) 247 941 13

There has been a change in one of the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as receiving Office and designated (or elected) Office. The requirement concerning the appointment of an agent now reads as follows:

Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not domiciled in the European Economic Area

There has also been a change as to who can as agent – any patent agent registered to practice in Luxembourg or any member of the Luxembourg Bar, as well as any patent agent registered to practice in a member State of the European Economic Area may now act as agent.

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

### **NO Norway (fees)**

As from 1 September 2017, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NOK to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in NOK of the applicable filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO))

### **RS Serbia (fees)**

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 July 2017 (other fees not indicated have not changed):

Transmittal fee: .....	RSD	7,620
Fee for priority document: .....	RSD	1,830
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....	RSD	3,060

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

For patent:

- Filing fee: .....	RSD	7,620
- Claim fee for each claim in excess of three: .....	RSD	750
- Reduced examination fee for international applications: .....	RSD	7,620
- Annual fee for the first three years: .....	RSD	10,680

For petty patent:

- Filing fee: .....	RSD	7,620
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These fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

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

#### **TN Tunisia (name of Office; location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail and Internet addresses)**

The name, the location, the mailing address, the telephone and fax numbers and the e-mail address of the National Institute for Standardization and Industrial Property (Tunisia) have changed, and the Office has notified its Internet address, as follows:

Name of Office:	National Institute for Standardization and Industrial Property (INNORPI) (Tunisia)
Location:	Rue de l'assistance n° 8 par la rue Alain Savary, Cité El Khadra, 1003 Tunis, Tunisia
Mailing address:	B. P. 57, Cité El Khadra, 1003 Tunis, Tunisia
Telephone:	(216-71) 80 67 58
Fax:	(216-71) 80 70 71
E-mail:	innorpi@planet.tn
Internet:	www.innorpi.tn

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

#### **UA Ukraine (name of Office; location)**

The name and location of the State Intellectual Property Service of Ukraine (SIPSU) have changed, as follows:

Name of Office:	Ministerstvo Ekonomichnogo Rozvytku i Torgivli Ukrainy, Departament Intelektualnoi Vlasnosti
	Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine, Department for Intellectual Property

Location: M. Hrushevskoho str., 12/2, Kyiv, 01008, Ukraine

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

**Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, Egyptian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), Indian Patent Office, Japan Patent Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), Nordic Patent Institute, State Intellectual Property Service of Ukraine, Swedish Patent and Registration Office, Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent), United States Patent and Trademark Office, Visegrad Patent Institute)**

As from 1 September 2017, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office .....	ZAR
Austrian Patent Office.....	USD
Egyptian Patent Office .....	CHF, EUR
European Patent Office .....	ISK, NOK, USD
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) .....	EUR
Indian Patent Office .....	EUR
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil).....	CHF, EUR
National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) .....	EUR
Nordic Patent Institute .....	ISK, USD
State Intellectual Property Service of Ukraine .....	USD
Swedish Patent and Registration Office .....	ISK, NOK, USD
Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent) .....	USD
United States Patent and Trademark Office .....	EUR, ZAR
Visegrad Patent Institute.....	USD

As from 1 October 2017, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office .....	ZAR
European Patent Office .....	ISK, JPY
Japan Patent Office .....	EUR
Swedish Patent and Registration Office .....	ISK

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, AU, BR, CL, EG, EP, IN, JP, RU, SE, TR, UA, US, XN and XV))

## Changes to the PCT Publication Schedule

### Publication of 8 September 2017

Due to the fact that Thursday, 7 September 2017, will be a non-working day at WIPO, the PCT applications (as well as any *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*) which would normally have been published on that day will be published on Friday, 8 September 2017. The date of completion of technical preparations for that publication will, however, remain unchanged, and any changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication should be received by the International Bureau (IB) by midnight (Central European Time (CET)) on Tuesday, 22 August 2017.

### Amended PCT Regulations

The updated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2017, is now available on the PCT website, in PDF format, in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ar/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/index.html>

The texts in English, French and Spanish are also available in HTML format.

Please note that updated paper versions of the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations under the PCT (WIPO Publication 274), in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, are under preparation and will be available shortly at: <http://www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4172&plang=EN>. For any queries relating to the paper versions, please send an e-mail to:

[publications@wipo.int](mailto:publications@wipo.int)

### Modified Administrative Instructions under the PCT

With effect from 1 July 2017, Section 407 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT has been modified and Section 337 has been deleted. The revised consolidated versions of the Administrative Instructions containing these modifications, as in force from 1 July 2017, are available on the PCT website in English, French and Spanish, in PDF format at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/index.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/index.html>

The texts in English and French are also available in HTML format.

The above-mentioned changes are explained in more detail in PCT Circular C. PCT 1511, which was sent to PCT Offices and is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/circulars/2017/1511.pdf>

### **Modified PCT Forms (with effect from 1 July 2017)**

The new/modified forms mentioned below are available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/index.html>

#### **Request Form**

The July 2017 version of the request form (PCT/RO/101) is now available in editable PDF format in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish, and filled-in samples of the request form are also available in English, French German and Spanish.

#### **Forms relating to the receiving Office**

The following forms have been modified:

PCT/RO/102 (Notification Concerning Payment of Prescribed Fees)

PCT/RO/110 (Invitation to Correct Priority Claim and/or Notification of Possibility to Request Restoration of the Right of Priority) (Spanish only)

PCT/RO/118 (Notification Concerning Documents Transmitted)

Modified Forms PCT/RO/102 and PCT/RO/118 are available in English, French, German and Spanish, in editable PDF format, and the modified Spanish version of Form PCT/RO/110 is available in editable PDF format.

#### **Forms relating to the receiving Office of the IB**

The following forms have been modified:

PCT/ROIB/198 (List of Documents Filed with the International Bureau as Receiving Office)

PCT/ROIB/199 (Acknowledgement of Receipt of Documents Filed with the International Bureau as Receiving Office)

The modified forms are available in English and French, in PDF format.

## Forms relating to the International Searching Authority

The following forms have been modified:

- PCT/ISA/220 (Notification of Transmittal of the International Search Report and the Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority, or the Declaration)
- PCT/ISA/233 (Invitation Relating to Free Text in Main Part of Description)
- PCT/ISA/238 (Invitation to Furnish Documents in Connection with Earlier Search)

Modified Form PCT/ISA/220 is available in English, French, German and Spanish, in PDF format, and Forms PCT/ISA/233 and PCT/ISA/238 are available in English, French and Spanish, in PDF format.

## Forms relating to the International Bureau

The following forms have been modified:

- PCT/IB/372 (Notice of Withdrawal)
- PCT/IB/375 (Supplementary Search Request)
- PCT/IB/379 (Notification that Supplementary Search Request Is Considered not to Have Been Submitted)

Modified Forms PCT/IB/372 and PCT/IB/375 are available in English and French, in editable PDF format, and Form PCT/IB/379 is available in English and French, in PDF format.

## Modified PCT Receiving Office Guidelines

Modifications have been made, with effect from 1 July 2017, to paragraphs 116 and 166 of the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines. For further details, please see PCT Circular C. PCT 1511 at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/circulars/2017/1511.pdf>

Revised consolidated versions of the Guidelines containing these modifications are available on the PCT website in English, French and Spanish, in PDF format at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/gdlines.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/gdlines.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/gdlines.html>

They are also available in English and French in HTML format.

## Modified PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines

Modifications have been made, with effect from 1 July 2017, to paragraphs 2.20, 9.41 to 9.41A and B, 15.15, 15.17B and C, 15.69, 15.78, 16.64, 16.78A to 16.78C, and 17.43 of the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines. For further details, please see PCT Circular C. PCT 1511 at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/circulars/2017/1511.pdf>

The revised version of the Guidelines containing these modifications is available on the PCT website in English, French and Spanish at, respectively:

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

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/pdf/ispe.pdf>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/ispe.pdf>

## **New/Updated PCT Resources**

Please see above for information on updated texts of the PCT Regulations, and modified Administrative Instructions under the PCT, PCT Forms, PCT Receiving Office Guidelines and PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines.

### ***PCT Applicant's Guide***

The English and French versions of the “Introduction to the International Phase” and the “Introduction to the National Phase” of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which contain detailed information on the international and national phases of the PCT, have been updated to take into account the 1 July 2017 amendments to the PCT Regulations, as well as other updates, and will be published shortly at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/appguide/>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/appguide/>

The updated Spanish and Russian versions are under preparation.

### **Seminar materials**

Seminar materials, covering all aspects of the PCT procedure, have been updated in English and Japanese to take into account the amendments to the PCT Regulations which entered into force on 1 July 2017 and are available at, respectively:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/basic\\_1/document.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/basic_1/document.pdf)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/seminar/basic\\_1/document.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/ja/seminar/basic_1/document.pdf)

Other languages will follow shortly.

## **PATENTSCOPE Search System**

### **New national collections available in PATENTSCOPE**

The national patent collections of Australia, Denmark, France and Saudi Arabia are now available in the PATENTSCOPE Search System. This brings to 45 the number of national/regional offices whose data is available in PATENTSCOPE, and to 63,460,000 the total number of records.

Furthermore, in the case of Australia, the dossier content of its national collection is also available. The dossier content provides the most up-to-date information about a patent application's progress through the examination process, including:

- search reports;
- office actions; and
- correspondence between the applicant and the patent office.

The collection is available at:

<http://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/advancedSearch.jsf>

## Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees

### New invitation

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 of WIPO (IB) and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from “**IRO – The Patent Office**”. To view an example of the invitation, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of WIPO by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

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

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.

If they have not already done so, PCT applicants and agents are advised to bring this information to the attention of the people responsible for handling payments of fees within their organizations, as well as to the attention of inventors who might also receive such requests. In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, please do not hesitate to contact the IB at:

Telephone: (+41-22) 338 83 38

Fax: (+41-22) 338 83 39

E-mail: [pct.legal@wipo.int](mailto:pct.legal@wipo.int)

We would also like to encourage PCT applicants, agents or inventors (PCT users) to take action with their governments or consumer protection associations. A suggested text for making complaints and a list of “Government authorities/consumer protection associations receiving complaints” are available at the above-mentioned web page.

## Practical Advice

### Actions that can be taken when the 12-month priority period has been missed, and consequences for the timeline of the international application

*Q. I missed the 12-month priority period for filing a PCT application, but fortunately I discovered the mistake before the expiration of two months after the expiration of the priority period. What options do I have, and how will the timeline of my international application be affected?*

A. It is recalled that, in order to validly claim priority of an earlier application, an international application must always be filed within the priority period, which is 12 months from the filing date of the earlier application, the priority of which is claimed (see Article 4C of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and PCT Rule 2.4); otherwise, the right of priority may be lost.

Below is a list of the possible courses of action that are available to you, together with information that you should be aware of when taking such actions.

#### 1) *Not claiming priority of an earlier application*

One possible option would be to not claim priority of the earlier application. If you choose not to claim priority of the earlier application, then the timeline for the international phase will be calculated from the international filing date, and you will have more time before entering the national phase. However, this would be a risky action to take bearing in mind the consequences that it might have on your application if relevant prior art exists that is dated between what would have been the priority date and the international filing date.

#### 2) *Withdrawing the priority claim after filing the international application*

If you file the international application and claim priority, and decide to withdraw the priority claim under PCT Rule 90bis.3 after filing, the consequences would be similar to 1), above, in terms of the possible effect on prior art. Any remaining time limits in the international timeline that have not yet expired would be recalculated from the international filing date instead of the priority date (unless another later priority claim has also been made in the application). Note that a decision to withdraw a priority claim might also be made following a business decision not to proceed with a request for restoration of the right of priority or if the receiving Office rejects a request for restoration of the right of priority (see item 4, below). It is recalled that, to be effective, the withdrawal of a priority claim must be effected prior to the end of the 30-month period.

#### 3) *Claiming priority of the earlier application and not taking any other action*

If you do claim priority of an earlier application and file the international application after the expiration of 12 months from the priority date, and do not take any further action to remedy the situation, the right of priority may be lost, and you run the risk that earlier relevant prior art may be found. ***It is important to note that, even though the priority period has expired, the timeline in the international phase will nevertheless be calculated from the priority date as you indicated it in the application at the time of filing.***

#### 4) *Claiming priority of the earlier application and requesting restoration of the right of priority*

If you do not file the international application before the expiration of 12 months from the priority date, but do so within two months from the expiration of that time limit, and you claim priority of the earlier application, you may request restoration of the right of priority before the receiving Office under PCT Rule 26*bis*.3, which, if granted, might save your priority claim.

Note, however, that:

- some receiving Offices have notified the International Bureau that PCT Rule 26*bis*.3 is incompatible with their national law, and will therefore not accept any requests for restoration of the right of priority;
- if the receiving Office does accept such requests, you should also be aware that if you are able to establish that the missing of the 12-month period was unintentional, but you are unable to establish that the missing of the 12-month period occurred despite the exercise of due care, you face the prospect of a successful restoration only before a limited number of designated/elected Offices in the national phase, as many Offices will not restore the right of priority solely on the basis of the unintentional criterion. You would then need to balance the potential benefit of restoration before a limited number of designated/elected Offices against the fact that the 30-month period will end sooner than it would occur if priority of the earlier application were not to be claimed;
- if you are able to establish that the missing of the 12-month period occurred despite the exercise of due care, even if you face the prospect of a successful restoration before a greater number of designated/elected Offices (compared with the number of designated/elected Offices just mentioned in connection with the “unintentional” standard), such a restoration is not effective before all possible designated/elected Offices, as some designated/elected Offices have made a reservation to this effect (PCT Rules 49*ter*.1(g) and 49*ter*.2(h)). You would then need to balance the potential benefit of restoration before those Offices which do consider requests for restoration of priority against the fact that the 30-month period will end sooner than it would occur if the priority claim of the earlier application were not to be claimed.

If you choose not to request restoration of the right of priority, or if you request restoration of the right of priority but the receiving Office refuses the request, you must keep in mind that ***the timeline in the international phase will nevertheless be counted from the date of the originally indicated priority claim***. An applicant might, incorrectly, assume that in either of those two circumstances, the 30-month date would be calculated from the international filing date. This is not the case – as long as a priority claim is included in a PCT application, and the application indicates an international filing date which is within two months from the expiration of the 12-month priority period, the priority date serves as a basis to calculate certain time limits, including the time limit for entry into the national phase, irrespective of whether restoration of priority rights is requested by the applicant during the international phase, and irrespective of any decision on restoration by the receiving Office. It is only where the priority claim is withdrawn that the time limits would be recalculated in accordance with PCT Rule 90*bis*.3(d).

The risk of such an incorrect assumption serves as a reminder of one of the advantages of using ePCT to manage pending PCT applications. When the applicant docket the 30-month date, it is possible to carry out a cross-check with the “timeline” date appearing in ePCT for the

application in question. This eliminates any risk of misunderstanding as to the correct calculation of the 30-month date.

Another benefit of using ePCT to manage pending PCT applications is that, even if a docketing error were to be made about the end of the 30-month date (calculating incorrectly from the international filing date rather than calculating from the priority date), the ePCT system will provide an automated reminder e-mail message at about 28 months, warning the applicant that the 30-month date is imminent.

It is also recalled that if you do not request restoration of the right of priority during the international phase, you may still request restoration of the right of priority in the national phase (see PCT Rule 49*ter*.2), provided that the designated/elected Offices concerned have not opted out of the system by way of notifications of incompatibility. This might also be an interesting option to you if you know that your competent receiving Office will only apply the “unintentional” standard and which would leave you with an, albeit positive, decision that will only be accepted by a limited number of designated/elected Offices, as discussed above.

Further information on requesting the restoration of the right of priority can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 5.062 to 5.069 (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf>), and the part of the “Frequently Asked Questions: Amendments to the PCT Regulations (April 1, 2007)” concerning the restoration of the right of priority at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/april07\\_faq.html#2007\\_restoration](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/faqs/april07_faq.html#2007_restoration)

There is also a detailed table listing the receiving and designated/elected Offices which accept requests for restoration of the right of priority and the respective criteria applied by them, as well as some of the fees payable. This table will assist you in assessing the advantages and disadvantages of following various courses of action in such circumstances, and is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html>

Reference is also made to the Practical Advice articles that have already been written on the subject of restoration of the right of priority in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 04/2007, 09/2009, 10/2009, 11/2009 and 09/2015.

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf>)  
(situation on 15 August 2017)

<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>13-14 September 2017</b> <b>San Diego, CA (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: <a href="mailto:twoods@patentresources.com">twoods@patentresources.com</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.patentresources.com">http://www.patentresources.com</a>
<b>14 September 2017</b> <b>Chicago (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	The John Marshall Law School Department of Event Management Tel: (1-312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1-312) 427 71 28 E-mail: <a href="mailto:Events@jmls.edu">Events@jmls.edu</a>
<b>19 September 2017</b> <b>Tver (RU)</b>	Russian/ English	National Seminar on the PCT System Developments WIPO speakers: Mr. Jazairy and Ms. Krysanova	WIPO Office in the Russian Federation (WRO) (Mr. Zaurbek Albegonov) E-mail: <a href="mailto:zaurbek.albegonov@wipo.int">zaurbek.albegonov@wipo.int</a>
<b>21 September 2017</b> <b>Nizhniy Novgorod (RU)</b>	Russian/ English	National Seminar on the PCT System Developments WIPO speakers: Mr. Jazairy and Ms. Krysanova	WIPO Office in the Russian Federation (WRO) (see Tver, above)
<b>21 September 2017</b> <b>London (GB)</b> <i>[previously announced as 22 September]</i>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the 16 <sup>th</sup> Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: <a href="mailto:angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk">angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk</a>
<b>21–22 September 2017</b> <b>Cary, NC (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl Other speaker: Mr. Neas (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	North Carolina Bar Association (Ms. Toyce Southern) E-mail: <a href="mailto:tsouthern@kilpatricktownsend.com">tsouthern@kilpatricktownsend.com</a>
<b>25-26 September 2017</b> <b>Geneva (CH)</b>	English	Advanced Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT): procedural aspects of the international and national phases; recent and future PCT developments; filing and management of PCT applications in ePCT; PATENTSCOPE. Note that attendance is limited to 50 people. No registration fee. WIPO speakers: Mr. Bryan, Mr. Reischle-Park, Ms. Bardini, Ms. Bonvallet, Mr. Fujita, Mr. Yu, Mr. Marlow, Ms. Weiss Other speakers to be announced	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) at its Geneva Headquarters Online registration and further information: <a href="http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=44004">http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=44004</a> Deadline for registrations: 15 September 2017 E-mail: <a href="mailto:pct.our@wipo.int">pct.our@wipo.int</a>
<b>26-27 September 2017</b> <b>Algiers (DZ)</b> <i>[previously announced as Oran]</i>	Arabic/ French	WIPO National PCT Workshop WIPO speaker: Mr. Jazairy	Institut national algérien de la propriété industrielle (Ms. Amira Rhouati) E-mail: <a href="mailto:a.rhouati@inapi.org">a.rhouati@inapi.org</a>
<b>29 September 2017</b> <b>Tokyo (JP)</b>	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Fujita	University Technology Transfer Association, Japan (UNITT) (Mr. Fukuda) Tel: (81-3) 54 02 18 57 Fax: (81-3) 54 02 18 59 Internet: <a href="http://unitt.jp/">http://unitt.jp/</a>

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<b>2 October 2017 Zurich (CH)</b>	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Henninger	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>3 October 2017 Hiroshima (JP)</b>	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Fujita	University Technology Transfer Association, Japan (UNITT) (Mr. Fukuda) Tel: (81-3) 54 02 18 57 Fax: (81-3) 54 02 18 59 Internet: <a href="http://unitt.jp/">http://unitt.jp/</a>
<b>3 October 2017 Atlanta, GA (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar: "Essential PCT" Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>4 October 2017 Osaka (JP)</b>	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Fujita	University Technology Transfer Association, Japan (UNITT) (Mr. Fukuda) Tel: (81-3) 54 02 18 57 Fax: (81-3) 54 02 18 59 Internet: <a href="http://unitt.jp/">http://unitt.jp/</a>
<b>5 October 2017 Washington, DC (US)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar and Symposium on International Authorities Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>5 October 2017 Basel (CH)</b>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Department (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: <a href="mailto:christiane.melz@ceipi.edu">christiane.melz@ceipi.edu</a>
<b>18-20 October 2017 Ulm (DE)</b>	German	Presentation on the PCT within the framework of the PAFA-TAGUNG conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@ipforip.de">info@ipforip.de</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ipforip.de">www.ipforip.de</a>
<b>19-20 October 2017 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: <a href="mailto:s.schilling@forum-institut.de">s.schilling@forum-institut.de</a>
<b>23-24 October 2017 Ottawa/Gatineau (CA)</b>	English	7 <sup>th</sup> Canadian PCT Roundtable WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Intellectual Property Institute of Canada E-mail: <a href="mailto:admin@ipic.ca">admin@ipic.ca</a>
<b>24-26 October 2017 Cairo (EG)</b>	Arabic	WIPO PCT Workshop for Universities and SMEs in Selected Arab PCT Contracting States WIPO speakers: Mr. Jazairy and Mr. Abdelaziz	Egyptian Patent Office (Dr. Mona Yahia) E-mail: <a href="mailto:mo_yahia@egypt.gov.eg">mo_yahia@egypt.gov.eg</a>

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<b>30 October 2017 Irvine, CA (US)</b>	English	ePCT Training Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bardini	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>1 November 2017 San Francisco, CA (US)</b>	English	ePCT Training Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bardini	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>1 November 2017 Boston, MA (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Boston Patent Law Association (Ms. Emily Whelan) Tel: (1-617) 526 65 67 E-mail: <a href="mailto:activities@bpla.org">activities@bpla.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.bpla.org">www.bpla.org</a>
<b>2 November 2017 Seattle, WA (US)</b>	English	PCT Boot Camp WIPO speaker: Ms. Bardini Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>3 November 2017 Seattle, WA (US)</b>	English	ePCT Training Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bardini	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>
<b>7-8 November 2017 Moroni (KM)</b>	French	WIPO PCT Workshop in Selected Arab PCT Contracting States WIPO speaker: Mr. Jazairy	Office Comorien de la Propriété Intellectuelle (OCPI) (Mr. Moussa Moirabou) Tel: (269) 333 53 60
<b>8-9 November 2017 Philadelphia, PA (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the "Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success" course Speaker on behalf of WIPO: Mr. Oppedahl	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: <a href="mailto:twoods@patentresources.com">twoods@patentresources.com</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.patentresources.com">http://www.patentresources.com</a>
<b>9 November 2017 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Seminar "Best Practices für den Anwender" WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: <a href="mailto:s.schilling@forum-institut.de">s.schilling@forum-institut.de</a>
<b>24 November 2017 Heidelberg (DE)</b>	German	PCT presentation on latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the PAFA-FORUM conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: <a href="mailto:s.schilling@forum-institut.de">s.schilling@forum-institut.de</a>
<b>28 November 2017 Brussels (BE)</b>	French	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Department (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: <a href="mailto:christiane.melz@ceipi.edu">christiane.melz@ceipi.edu</a>

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<b>29-30 November 2017</b> <b>London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Formalities seminar, including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
<b>25-26 January 2018</b> <b>Amsterdam (NL)</b>	English	Basic seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: s.schilling@forum-institut.de
<b>28 March 2018</b> <b>Ecully (FR)</b>	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
<b>7 May 2018</b> <b>Istanbul (TR)</b> <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Selda Arkan) Tel: (90-212) 293 32 42 Fax: (90-212) 244 51 21 E-mail: selda.arkan@alfapatent.com.tr; alfa@alfapatent.com.tr
<b>7 June 2018</b> <b>Vilnius (LT)</b>	English	Basic training course on the PCT WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Aurelija Šidlauskienė) Tel/fax: (370-37) 22 14 42 E-mail: aurelijosfirma@gmail.com (Ms. Otilija Klimaitiene) Tel: (370-5) 252 66 76 Fax: (370-5) 252 66 70 E-mail: o.klimaitiene@aaalaw.eu
<b>14-15 June 2018</b> <b>London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Formalities seminar, including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd. (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk

<b>PCT Webinars</b> ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html">http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html</a> ) ( <a href="http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/">http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/</a> )			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
<b>15 August 2017</b> 17:30–18:30 CET or <b>17 August 2017</b> 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: IPC & the PATENTSCOPE search system WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/1596371420439405314">https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/1596371420439405314</a>
<b>26 September 2017</b> 17:30–18:30 CET or <b>28 September 2017</b> 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Chemical information search in PATENTSCOPE WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/8265177723738061826">https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/8265177723738061826</a>
<b>10 October 2017</b> 17:30–18:30 CET or <b>12 October 2017</b> 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: PATENTSCOPE for beginners WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/2435628645920889858">https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/2435628645920889858</a>
<b>14 November 2017</b> 18:30–19:30 CET or <b>16 November 2017</b> 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: PATENTSCOPE for experts WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/7639402775417310466">https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/7639402775417310466</a>
<b>5 December 2017</b> 17:30–18:30 CET or <b>7 December 2017</b> 8:30–9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Retrospective of 2017 and plans for 2018 WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/1219605069484395010">https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/1219605069484395010</a>

<b>PCT Events Without WIPO speakers<sup>1</sup></b>			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
<b>19 October 2017</b> Milwaukee, WI (US)	English	The Essential PCT Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: <a href="mailto:contact@pctlearningcenter.org">contact@pctlearningcenter.org</a> Internet: <a href="http://pctlearningcenter.org">pctlearningcenter.org</a>

Other IP events
<p><b>International Trade Fair for Ideas – Inventions – New Products (iENA), Nuremberg (Germany), 2-5 November 2017</b></p> <p>The international trade fair for “Ideas – Inventions – New Products” will take place in Nuremberg from 2-5 November 2017.</p> <p>For further information, see: <a href="http://www.iena.de/en/home.html">http://www.iena.de/en/home.html</a></p>

1. Views and opinions of speakers at these events do not necessarily represent the views of WIPO.

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 August 2017, 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) and (c) 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), the supplementary search handling fee 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 14. (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	MWK	Malawian kwacha	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MXN	Mexican peso	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NOK	Norwegian krone	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	INR	Indian rupee	NZD	New Zealand dollar	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	IRR	Iranian rial	OMR	Omani rial	USD	US dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PKG	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PHP	Philippine peso	XAR	South African rand
ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PLN	Polish zloty	ZAR	South African rand
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won	QAR	Qatari riyal	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
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	LYD	Libyan dinar	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

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

(amounts on 1 August 2017, 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>
					Item 4(a) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available							CA EP
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 1,781	20	–	268	402	AU KR
AZ	AZN	35.40	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	120	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP
BR	BRL <sup>8</sup>	online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP
BY	USD	50	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,792	20	–	269	404	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>9</sup> 1,367	eq CHF 15 <sup>9</sup>	–	eq USD 206	eq USD 308	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN

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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>
				Item 4(a) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	
CO	COP 952,000 <sup>10</sup>	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CR	USD 250	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	CL EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,367	15	–	206	308	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP
DJ	USD 100 or eq DJF	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 9,070	100	–	1,360	2,050	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 275	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	EP RU
EC	USD <sup>11</sup> –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 130	EUR 1,219	14	92	183	275	EP
ES	EUR 74.25	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,063	12	–	160	240	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD 250	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 374,700	4,200	–	56,300	84,500	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	See footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup> 92	or EUR 1,219	14	–	183	275	
	or USD <sup>14</sup> 103	or USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
IL	ILS 549	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	EP IL US
IN	INR 17,600 (paper filing) <sup>16</sup>	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
	INR 16,000 (e-filing) <sup>16</sup>						
IR	IRR <sup>11</sup> –	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 17,300	ISK 147,100 (from 1.9.17: 134,700)	1,700 (1,500)	– (–)	22,100 (20,300)	33,200 (30,400)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,219	14	–	–	–	EP
JO	USD 100 or eq JOD	USD 1,367	15	–	206	308	AU EP
JP	JPY 10,000 <sup>17</sup>	JPY 151,800	1,700	–	–	34,200	EP JP SG
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
KH	USD 100	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP JP SG
KN	Information not yet available						
EP							
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>18</sup> KR
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU

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

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						Item 4(a) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>		
LR	USD	45	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE	
LS	LSL <sup>11</sup>	–	LSL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP	
LT	EUR	92	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP RU XV	
LU	EUR	19	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
LV	EUR	70	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP RU	
LY	LYD <sup>11</sup>	–	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP	
MA	MAD	600 <sup>19</sup>	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE	
MC	EUR	54 <sup>20</sup>	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
MD	EUR	100	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU	
ME	EUR <sup>11</sup>	–	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP	
MN		None	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU	
MT	EUR	55	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
MW	MWK	6,000	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	EP	
MX	USD	323.70 <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,367	15	–	206	308	AT CLEPESKRSE SG US	
MY	MYR	500 (e-filing) <sup>22</sup> 550 (paper filing) <sup>22</sup>	MYR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR	
NI	USD	200	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	EP ES	
NL	EUR	50	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP	
NO	NOK	800	NOK	10,910 (from 1.9.17: 11,610)	120 (130)	– (–)	1,640 (1,750)	2,460 (2,620)	EP SE XN	
NZ	NZD	207	NZD	1,880	21	–	283	424	AU EP KR US	
OA	XAF <sup>11</sup>	–	XAF eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE	
OM	OMR	40	OMR eq USD	1,367	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 206	eq USD 308	AT AU EGEPU S	
PA	USD	200	USD	1,367	15	–	206	308	BR CL EP ES US	
PE	PEN	233.35	PEN eq USD	1,367	eq USD 15	–	–	–	AT BR CLEPESKRUS	
PG	PGK	250	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	AU	
PH	PHP	4,200	USD	1,367	15	–	206	308	AU EP JP KR US	
PL	PLN	300	PLN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV	
PT	EUR	10.46 (online filing) 20.92 (paper filing)	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP	
QA	QAR	400	QAR eq USD	1,367	eq USD 15	–	eq USD 206	eq USD 308	EG EP US	
RO	RON	445	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP RU	
RS	RSD	7,620 <sup>23</sup>	RSD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP	
RU	RUB	850	USD	1,367	15	–	206	308	EP RU	
RW	Information not yet available									
SA	USD	100	USD	1,367	15	–	206	308	CA EG EP KR RU	
SC	USD <sup>11</sup>	–	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	EP	
SD	SDG	50	SDG eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EG EP	
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	11,710	130	–	1,760	2,640	EP SE XN	
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,866	21	–	281	421	AT AU EP JP KR SG	
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
SK	EUR	66 <sup>24</sup>	EUR	1,219	14	–	183	275	EP XV	
SM	EUR	70	EUR	1,219	14	–	–	–	EP	
SV	USD	200	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	CL EP ES	
SY	USD <sup>11</sup>	–	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EG EP RU	
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR SG US	
TJ	TJS <sup>11</sup>	–	USD	1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU	

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

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				Item 4(a) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	
TM	USD <sup>11</sup> –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>11</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD <sup>25</sup> 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU UA
US	USD 240 <sup>26</sup> small entity <sup>27</sup> : 120 <sup>26</sup> micro entity <sup>27</sup> : 60 <sup>26</sup>	USD 1,367	15	103	206	–	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	USD <sup>11</sup> –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 17,350	200	–	2,610	3,910	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,367	eq USD 15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 August 2017, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>								
AT <sup>28</sup>	EUR 1,864 * (from 1.9.17: USD 2,087)	CHF 2,034 USD 2,087)	KRW 2,309,000	SGD 2,854	USD* 1,980	ZAR 27,020			
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,688 * (from 1.9.17: ZAR 21,060) ** (from 1.10.17: ZAR 23,230)	CHF 1,643 ZAR*, ** 22,990 ZAR 21,060 ZAR 23,230)	EUR 1,505	KRW 1,864,000	NZD 2,322	SGD 2,304			
BR <sup>8</sup>	Online: * (from 1.9.17: CHF 495) On paper: * (from 1.9.17: CHF 742)	BRL 1,685 CHF 495 BRL 2,525 CHF 742	CHF* 546 EUR 456) CHF* 818 EUR 684)	EUR* 500	USD 536				
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,187	EUR 1,088	USD 1,220					
CL	USD 2,000 * (from 1.9.17: EUR 1,785) In case of filing by an natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : * (from 1.9.17: EUR 357) In case of filing by a university <sup>29</sup> : * (from 1.9.17: EUR 268)	CHF 1,946 EUR 1,785) USD 400 CHF 389 EUR* 377 USD 300 CHF 292 EUR* 282	EUR* 1,883						
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 306	EUR 281	USD 315					
EG <sup>30</sup>	EGP 4,000 * (from 1.9.17: CHF 214)	CHF* 229 CHF 214	EUR* 213 EUR 197)	USD 225					
EP <sup>31</sup>	EUR 1,875 JPY** 229,600 ZAR 27,180 * (from 1.9.17: ISK 207,400) ** (from 1.10.17: ISK 230,200)	CHF 2,046 NOK* 16,780 ISK 207,400 ISK 230,200)	DKK 13,960 NZD 2,892 NOK 17,780 JPY 244,500)	GBP 1,636 SEK 18,010 USD 2,099)	HUF 576,500 SGD 2,870	ISK* ** 221,900 USD* 1,992			
ES <sup>31</sup>	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,046	USD* 1,992	*(from 1.9.17: USD 2,099)					
FI	EUR 1,875	CHF 2,046	USD* 1,992	*(from 1.9.17: USD 2,099)					
IL	ILS 3,518	CHF 932	EUR 872	USD 963					
IN	INR 10,000 * (from 1.9.17: EUR 139) In case of filing by an individual: * (from 1.9.17: EUR 35)	CHF 154 EUR 139) INR 2,500 CHF 39	EUR* 147	USD 150	EUR* 37	USD 38			
JP <sup>17</sup>	For international applications in Japanese: JPY 70,000 * (from 1.10.17: EUR 537) For international applications in English: JPY 156,000 * (from 1.10.17: EUR 1,196)	CHF 613 EUR 537) CHF 1,367 EUR 1,196)	EUR* 574	KRW 718,000	USD 616				

**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 August 2017, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
KR	For international applications in Korean:											
	KRW	450,000	AUD	531	CHF	397	EUR	363	NZD	560	SGD	556
	USD	386										
	For international applications in English:											
KR	KRW	1,300,000	AUD	1,534	CHF	1,145	EUR	1,050	NZD	1,619	SGD	1,607
	USD	1,114										
RU	For international applications in Russian:											
	RUB	6,750	CHF	115	EUR*	111	USD	116				
	* (from 1.9.17:		EUR	102)								
	For international applications in English:											
RU	RUB	28,000	CHF	479	EUR	462	USD	482				
	* (from 1.9.17:		EUR	424)								
SE	SEK	18,010	CHF	2,046	DKK	13,960	EUR	1,875	ISK*	221,900	NOK*	16,780
	USD	1,992										
	* (from 1.9.17:		ISK	207,400	NOK	17,780	USD	2,099)				
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,597	EUR	1,463	JPY	181,200	USD	1,552		
TR	TRY	7,290	EUR	1,875	CHF	2,046	USD	1,992*	*(from 1.9.17:		USD	2,099)
UA	EUR	300	CHF	327	USD*	319	*(from 1.9.17:		USD	336)		
US	USD	2,080	CHF	2,024	EUR	1,958	NZD	2,861	ZAR*	28,320		
	* (from 1.9.17:		EUR	1,856	ZAR	26,940)						
	For small entity <sup>27</sup> :											
	USD	1,040	CHF	1,012	EUR	979	NZD	1,430	ZAR*	14,160		
	* (from 1.9.17:		EUR	928	ZAR	13,470)						
US	For micro entity <sup>27</sup> :											
	USD	520	CHF	506	EUR	489	NZD	715	ZAR*	7,080		
	* (from 1.9.17:		EUR	464	ZAR	6,740)						
XN	DKK	13,960	CHF	2,046	EUR	1,875	ISK*	221,900	NOK	16,780	SEK	18,010
	USD*	1,992	*(from 1.9.17:		ISK	207,400	USD	2,099)				
XV	EUR	1,875	CHF	2,046	HUF	576,500	USD*	1,992	*(from 1.9.17:		USD	2,099)

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 August 2017, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 32</sup>
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	– for a search of the European and North American documentation:	CHF 928
	– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 1,299
		CHF 1,855
EP	CHF 2,046	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,046	CHF 200
RU	CHF 202 (323) <sup>33</sup>	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,046	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,597	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 200
	– for a search only on the documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 2,046
UA	– for a search of only the PCT minimum documentation:	CHF 140
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation:	CHF 109
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation:	CHF 164
		CHF 218
XN	– for a full search:	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 2,046
XV	– for a full search:	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF 590
	CHF 600	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 August 2017, unless otherwise indicated)

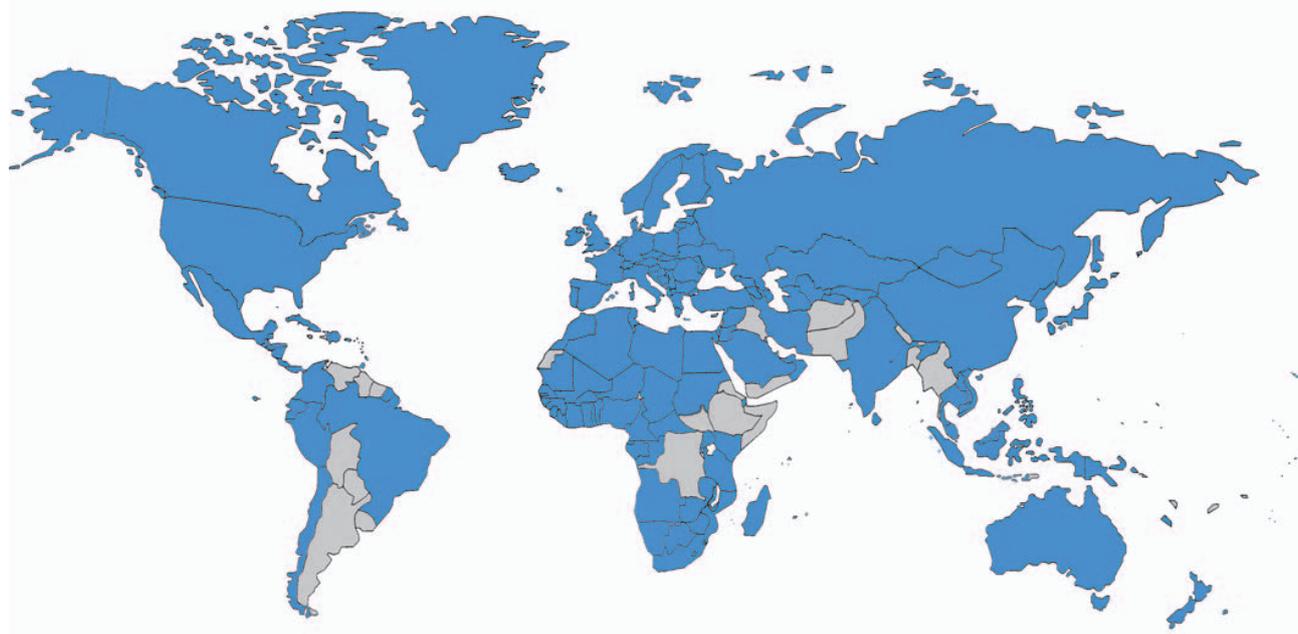
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>34</sup></b>			<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 34</sup> (CHF 200)</b>	
<b>AT<sup>28</sup></b>	<b>EUR</b>	1,749		<b>EUR</b>	183
<b>AU</b>	<b>AUD</b>	590	820 <sup>35</sup>	<b>AUD</b>	268
<b>BR<sup>8</sup></b>	Online:	<b>BRL</b>	630	<b>BRL eq CHF</b>	200
	On paper:	<b>BRL</b>	945		
<b>CA</b>	<b>CAD</b>	800		<b>CAD</b>	269
<b>CL</b>	<b>USD</b>	1,500		<b>USD</b>	206
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : <b>USD</b> 400				
	in case of filing by a university <sup>29</sup> : <b>USD</b> 300				
<b>CN</b>	<b>CNY</b>	1,500		<b>CNY eq CHF</b>	200
<b>EG<sup>30</sup></b>	<b>EGP</b>	3,000		<b>USD</b>	206
<b>EP<sup>31</sup></b>	<b>EUR</b>	1,930		<b>EUR</b>	183
<b>ES</b>	<b>EUR</b>	583.65		<b>EUR</b>	183
<b>FI</b>	<b>EUR</b>	600		<b>EUR</b>	183
<b>IL</b>	<b>ILS</b>	1,508		<b>ILS</b>	773
<b>IN</b>	<b>INR</b>	12,000; in case of filing by an individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000		<b>USD</b>	206
<b>JP</b>	For international applications in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 26,000 <sup>17</sup>			<b>JPY</b>	22,800
	For international applications in English: <b>JPY</b> 58,000				
<b>KR</b>	<b>KRW</b>	450,000		<b>KRW</b>	227,000
<b>RU</b>	For international applications in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 2,700 <sup>36</sup> 4,050 <sup>37</sup>			<b>USD</b>	206
	For international applications in English: <b>RUB</b> 10,500 <sup>36</sup> 15,750 <sup>37</sup>				
<b>SE</b>	<b>SEK</b>	5,000		<b>SEK</b>	1,760
<b>SG</b>	<b>GD</b>	830		<b>SGD</b>	281
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000		<b>CHF</b>	200
<b>UA</b>	– if the international search report has been prepared by this ISA: <b>EUR</b> 160			<b>EUR</b>	183
	– if the international search report has been prepared by another ISA: <b>EUR</b> 180				
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	600	760 <sup>38</sup>	<b>USD</b>	206
	For small entity <sup>27</sup> : <b>USD</b> 300 380 <sup>38</sup>				
	For micro entity <sup>27</sup> : <b>USD</b> 150 190 <sup>38</sup>				
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000		<b>DKK</b>	1,360
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900		<b>EUR</b>	183

[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: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 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 in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 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. 129/14 of 10 March 2014.
- 9 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.
- 10 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.
- 11 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.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 13 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.
- 14 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 15 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).
- 16 The fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500 (paper filing), INR 3,200 (electronic filing); the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800 (paper filing), INR 8,000 (electronic filing).
- 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 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: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>).
- 20 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 21 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 22 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.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 25 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%.
- 26 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.
- 27 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)
- 28 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).
- 29 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, see: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 30 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".
- 31 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>
- 32 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 33 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).
- 34 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 35 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 36 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 37 In all cases where footnote 36 does not apply.
- 38 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	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	MG Madagascar	SD Sudan (AP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IS Iceland (EP)	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (EP)	SE Sweden (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	CZ Czechia (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>2</sup>	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SG Singapore
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	JO Jordan	MN Mongolia	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DJ Djibouti	JP Japan	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	KE Kenya (AP)	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AU Australia	DM Dominica	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MW Malawi (AP)	SM San Marino (EP)
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DO Dominican Republic	KH Cambodia	MX Mexico	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	DZ Algeria	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MY Malaysia	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
BB Barbados	EC Ecuador	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SV El Salvador
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EE Estonia (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NA Namibia (AP)	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KR Republic of Korea	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SZ Swaziland (AP) <sup>2</sup>
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	KW Kuwait	NG Nigeria	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NI Nicaragua	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TH Thailand
BN Brunei Darussalam	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LC Saint Lucia	NO Norway (EP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	NZ New Zealand	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LK Sri Lanka	OM Oman	TN Tunisia
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LR Liberia (AP)	PA Panama	TR Turkey (EP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PE Peru	TT Trinidad and Tobago
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LT Lithuania (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PG Papua New Guinea	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PH Philippines	UA Ukraine
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LV Latvia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	PL Poland (EP)	UG Uganda (AP)
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	LY Libya	PT Portugal (EP)	US United States of America
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MA Morocco <sup>3</sup>	QA Qatar	UZ Uzbekistan
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	HR Croatia (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova <sup>4</sup>	RS Serbia (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	ME Montenegro <sup>1</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia		RW Rwanda (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>		SA Saudi Arabia	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
	IL Israel		SC Seychelles	
	IN India			

<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).

<sup>3</sup> Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 March 2015.

<sup>4</sup> Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 November 2015.

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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