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Paris Convention and Patent Cooperation Treaty: Declaration by the United Kingdom

On 1 October 2020, the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland deposited declarations that the United Kingdom's ratification of the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property and of the Patent Cooperation Treaty will be extended to the territory of Gibraltar, for the international relations of which the United Kingdom is responsible. The declarations will enter into force with respect to that territory on 1 January 2021.

For further information, please refer to Paris Notification No. 224 and PCT Notification No. 217, which are published together at:

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/paris/treaty_paris_224.html

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

Budapest Treaty

Accession by Saudi Arabia

Saudi Arabia deposited its instrument of accession to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure on 16 October 2020, bringing the total number of States party to that Treaty to 83. The Budapest Treaty will enter into force with respect to Saudi Arabia on 16 January 2021. For further information, please refer to Budapest Notification No. 340 at:

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/notifications/budapest/treaty_budapest_340.html

Information about the Budapest Treaty

A document containing a summary of the Budapest Treaty and Regulations, as well as an explanation of the main advantages of the Treaty (WO/INF/12 Rev. 27), is available in English, French and Spanish at:

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/fr/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf

https://www.wipo.int/treaties/es/registration/budapest/pdf/wo_inf_12.pdf

Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Registrar General of Intellectual Property Department (Sudan) to begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The Registrar General of Intellectual Property Department (Sudan), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) under PCT Rules 89*bis*.1(d) and 89*bis*.2 that, with effect from 15 January 2021, it will be prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form. The Office will accept international applications filed in electronic form using ePCT-Filing. 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 Offices with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 29 October 2020 at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/index.html

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

Temporary unavailability of EPO online

Owing to technical maintenance work, a number of European Patent Office (EPO) online services will be unavailable on Saturday, 21 November 2020 between 10:00 and 15:00 CET.

The services that will be unavailable are:

- Online Filing for national filings submitted to the German Patent and Trade Mark Office
- Online Filing for PCT international applications where the German Patent and Trade Mark Office is the receiving Office
- PCT-SAFE where the German Patent and Trade Mark Office is the receiving Office

Please note that DPMAdirekt will remain available throughout the maintenance period.

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. Note that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, the national/regional office with which the earlier application was filed must be a DAS depositing Office, and not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed. Information on DAS participating Offices can be found at:

https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/

Belgian Intellectual Property Office (OPRI)

The Belgian Intellectual Property Office (OPRI) has notified the IB that on 1 November 2020, it commenced operation as an accessing Office of DAS. As an accessing Office, it will recognize priority documents available to it through DAS for the purposes of national patent applications filed on or after 1 November 2020.

The corresponding DAS Notification, which contains further information, is available at:

https://www.wipo.int/das/en/participating_offices/details.jsp?id=11660

WIPO IP Portal: New MENU Features for PCT Users

It is recalled that the WIPO IP Portal was launched in September 2019 (please refer to *PCT Newsletter* No. 09/2019). Modern, functional and easy to use, the WIPO IP Portal is the place to go for managing your PCT applications.

In our continued efforts to improve the services provided through the WIPO IP Portal, in the coming weeks we will add a number of new features and streamline categorization of PCT online services, making it even easier for you to find what you are looking for.



What will change?

- The services will be grouped under three main categories (Search, File & Manage, and Pay), making navigation around PCT System services easier and more intuitive.
- A new sub-category, Inventor Assistance Program (IAP), will be created. It will include the new application “Inventor Assistance Program (IAP) Online Platform”.
- A link to the Online Payment application will be added under the “Pay” category, making it even easier to pay PCT System fees.
- The “Bookmarks” menu category and widget (available only to logged in users) will be renamed “My Favorites”. “My Favorites” provides quick access to your bookmarked services.
- A “NEW” icon will be added to highlight the new services available through the MENU. Any new services will be flagged with this icon.

- Finally, we have already added a promotional space to keep you up-to-date on new WIPO services and important news regarding existing services.

Once the new version of the IP Portal MENU has been released, we would appreciate your feedback on these new features, and any other changes that you would like to see in the WIPO IP Portal, by completing the 30-second survey at:

<https://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/5593898/Survey-WIPO-IP-Portal-english>

For further information, please visit the WIPO IP Portal at:

<https://ipportal.wipo.int/>

or contact us with your questions or comments at:

https://www3.wipo.int/contact/en/area.jsp?area=ip_portal

PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

New one-way PCT PPH pilot programs (Saudi Arabia and Japan; Saudi Arabia and United States of America; Saudi Arabia and China)

On 1 January 2020, new one-way PCT-PPH pilot programs started between the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) and the Japan Patent Office, and between SAIP and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, and on 1 November 2020, a new one-way PCT-PPH pilot program started between the SAIP and the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA). Under these programs, accelerated processing in the national phase before the SAIP 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), issued by the other Offices, respectively, in their capacities as ISA/IPEA.

Further information is available on SAIP's website at:

<https://www.saip.gov.sa/en/services/#1585226952983-da24cd1e-3d8d>

and the PCT-PPH page of the PCT website has been updated to include information on these new pilots (www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html).

Non-Working Days at the International Bureau and Publication Schedule at the End of this Year

The non-working days at the International Bureau (IB) during December 2020 and January 2021, in addition to the weekends, will be:

Friday, 25 December 2020
Thursday, 31 December 2020 and
Friday, 1 January 2021

The IB will therefore be open for business over the holiday period from Monday, 28 December 2020 to Wednesday, 30 December 2020, inclusive, and will then be open as usual from Monday, 4 January 2021.

The dates of operation of the PCT Information Service, the PCT eServices Help Desk and the PCT Operations Service, as well as information on the publication schedule, are given below.

PCT Information Service

The PCT Information Service will be closed from 25 December 2020 to 1 January 2021, inclusive. It will reopen on Monday, 4 January 2021 at 9:00 (Central European time (CET)). Please note, however, that if you call the PCT Information Service (telephone number: (41-22) 338 83 38) during the holiday period, there will be a recorded message providing a telephone number for cases requiring urgent attention.

It is recalled that the PCT Information Service answers general inquiries about the filing of international applications and the procedure to be followed during the international phase of the PCT (questions relating to specific applications should be addressed to the PCT Operations Service). For further information, please refer to:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/infoline.html>

PCT eServices Help Desk and PCT Operations Service

The schedule for the PCT eServices Help Desk and the PCT Operations Service during the end-of-year holiday period will be as follows:

Friday, 25 December 2020: closed

Monday, 28 December
to Wednesday, 30 December 2020: open as usual, from 9:00 to 18:00 CET

Thursday 31 December 2020 and
Friday, 1 January 2021: closed

Monday, 4 January 2021, onwards: open as usual, from 9:00 to 18:00 CET

It is recalled that:

- the PCT eServices Help Desk responds to inquiries related to services for the purpose of preparing, filing and managing applications electronically: ePCT (<https://pct.wipo.int>), PCT-SAFE (<https://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.html>) and the WIPO Digital Access Service (DAS) (<https://www.wipo.int/das/en/>);
- the PCT Operations Service answers specific application-related inquiries. Please note that the PCT Operations Service is under the responsibility of 10 teams. In order to find out the generic e-mail address and telephone number of the competent team, please either check Form PCT/IB/301 or refer to:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/TeamLookup.xhtml>

Publication schedule

During the forthcoming holiday period, PCT applications will be published, as usual, on Thursday, 24 December 2020, but the following week they will be published one day earlier, on Wednesday, 30 December 2020. The deadlines for receipt of changes which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication of those applications will be midnight (CET) on Tuesday, 8 December 2020 and Tuesday, 15 December 2020, respectively.

Modifications to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT

Modifications have been made, with effect from 1 January 2021, to Annex F (Standard for Filing and Processing in Electronic Form), Appendix I (XML DTDs for the electronic PCT application standard), section 5.13 (Written opinion), of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT.

These modifications involve changes to the Document Type Definitions (DTDs) for the written opinion of the International Searching Authority (PCT/ISA/237). The purpose of the modifications, which also enable the provision of written opinions in XML, is:

- to allow the structured specification of the claims for which there is non-establishment of the written opinion; and
- to allow the inclusion of the category of the citation and the examiners' opinion regarding the citation.

The consolidated revised text of Annex F, Appendix I of the Administrative Instructions, as in force from 1 January 2021, has been published as document PCT/AI/DTD/14, in English and French, at, respectively:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/ai_dtd_14.pdf and

https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/pdf/ai_dtd_14.pdf

PCT Information Update

International filing fee, search fee, supplementary search fee and handling fee (various Offices)

On 1 January 2021, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts, in certain currencies, of the international filing fee, the fee per sheet over 30, the electronic filing reductions (where applicable) listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, the search fee, the supplementary search fee and the handling fee, as indicated in the PCT Fee Tables.

These changes will be reflected in the following annexes of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/):

- **Annex C** (receiving Offices): AM, AP, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BG, BH, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CL, CR, CU, CY, CZ, DE, DJ, DK, DO, EA, EC, EE, EG, EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GH, GR, GT, HN, HU, IB, IE, IL, IN, IS, IT, JO, JP, KE, KG, KH, KZ, LR, LT, LU, LV, MD, ME, MT, MW, MX, NI, NL, NO, NZ, OM, PA, PE, PG, PH, PT, QA, RO, RS, RU, SA, SC, SE, SG, SI, SK, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TT, UA, UG, US, UZ, ZA, ZM, ZW;
- **Annex D** (International Searching Authorities): All;
- **Annex SISA** (International Searching Authorities (Supplementary Search)): All; and
- **Annex E** (International Preliminary Examining Authorities): AT, AU, CA, CL, EG, EP, ES, FI, IL, IN, JP, KR, PH, RU, SE, SG, UA, US, XN, XV.

BA Bosnia and Herzegovina (fees)

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina as receiving Office, has changed:

Fee for priority document:.....	BAM	30
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The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have also changed:

Filing and publication fee:.....	BAM	260
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- plus for each page of the application over 30:	BAM	3
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- plus for each claim over 10:.....	BAM	11
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Publication fee for granted patent:.....	BAM	60
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (BA) and National Chapter, Summary (BA))

BZ Belize (location and mailing address)

The location and mailing address of the Belize Intellectual Property Office has changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	23 Garbutt Creek Street P.O. Box 592 Belmopan Cayo District Belize
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (BZ))

CA Canada (fees)

As from 1 January 2021, there will be a change in the amount of the transmittal fee, payable to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office. The new amount will be CAD 306.

The amount of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will also change with effect from the same date:

Basic national fee:	CAD 408 (204) ¹
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Additional fee for reinstatement of rights (late entry into the national phase):.....	CAD 204
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (CA) and National Chapter, Summary (CA))

¹ The amount in parentheses is applicable only if the applicant is entitled to pay certain fees at the "small entity" level. For further details about entitlement to "small entity" status, please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (CA).

CR Costa Rica (name of Office, e-mail address)

The Registry of Industrial Property (Costa Rica) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the official name of the Office, as well as changes to its e-mail addresses, as follows:

Name of Office: Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica)
 Registro de la Propiedad Intelectual

E-mail: vcohen@rnp.go.cr
 jlizano@rnp.go.cr
 dmarenco@rnp.go.cr

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

HN Honduras (e-mail and Internet addresses; number of copies on paper; fees)

The e-mail and Internet addresses of the Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Honduras) have changed, as follows:

E-mail: patentes@ip.gob.hn
 camilo.bendeck@ip.gob.hn

Internet: <https://www.ip.gob.hn>

In addition, the Office as receiving Office now requires one copy of the international application on paper, instead of three.

Furthermore, the Office has notified the following fee payable to it as designated Office:

Substantive examination fee:..... HNL 1,500

The Office has also notified a change in the conditions for exemptions, reductions or refunds of national fees: the fees are reduced by 90% where the applicant is the inventor and he (or she) provides a declaration indicating that his (or her) economic situation prevents him (or her) from paying the full amount of the fees.

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

IB International Bureau (fees)

As from 1 January 2021, there will be a change in the equivalent amount of the transmittal fee in EUR and the fee for priority document in USD, payable to the IB as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee:EUR 93 USD [no change]

Fee for priority document:EUR [no change] USD 55

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

IS Iceland (fees)

As from 1 January 2021, there will a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	ISK	18,200
Fee for priority document:.....	ISK	4,900
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	ISK	43,500

There has also been a change in the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Application fee:	ISK	67,800
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	ISK	4,400
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation:	ISK	18,300
Annual fee for the first three years:.....	ISK	34,800

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

KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address; means of telecommunication; types of protection; time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is designated (or elected))

The location and mailing address, telephone and fax numbers and e-mail address of the Invention Office of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea have changed, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	Kinmaul Dong No. 1 Pipha Street Moranbong District Pyongyang Democratic People's Republic of Korea
Telephone:	(850-2) 381 85 44
Fax:	(850-2) 381 44 10
E-mail:	io520@star-co.net.kp

In addition, the Office notified changes concerning the filing of documents by means of telecommunication: it now accepts the filing of documents by e-mail, as well as by fax. The Office further notified that, in the case of filing of documents by means of telecommunication, only the original power of attorney document must be furnished (within three months from the filing date of the international application).

There has been a change in the types of protection available in the Democratic People's Republic of Korea via the PCT. The following types are now available: patents, inventors' certificates, petty inventors' certificates and petty patents.

Furthermore, the Office has notified changes as to the time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if the Democratic People's Republic of Korea is designated (or elected), as follows:

Must be in the request. If the data concerning the inventor are missing at the expiry of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of invitation.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (KP) and table of "Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States" (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/typesprotection.html>))

MC Monaco (telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses)

The telephone number, and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the Intellectual Property Division, Department of Economic Expansion (Monaco) have changed, as follows:

Telephone:	(377) 98 98 98 01
E-mail:	mcipo@gouv.mc
Internet:	https://mcipo.gouv.mc

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

PT Portugal (fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2020 about the fee for priority document, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal) has notified the IB of a lower fee for an electronic copy of a priority document, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. The fees for priority documents are therefore as follows:

Fee for priority document:.....	EUR 16.19 (electronic copy)
	EUR 43.14 (paper copy)

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

SD Sudan (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 15 January 2021, by the Registrar General of Intellectual Property Department as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

SK Slovakia (fees; requirements concerning agent; special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic has notified the IB of a change concerning the conditions for reduction of the fee for priority document, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. The fee for priority document is now reduced by 50% where the request for a copy of the priority document is filed by electronic means.

There have been changes in the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Who can act as agent (before the receiving Office)?

- any person appointed by the applicant

Who can act as agent (before the designated (or elected) Office)?

- applicants who are citizens of a Contracting State to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (EEA), or who have a residence or place of business in a Contracting State to the Agreement on the EEA, may appoint any person to act as such.
- applicants who are not citizens of a Contracting State to the Agreement on the EEA, or who have neither a residence nor a place of business in a Contracting State to the Agreement on the EEA, must be represented by an attorney-at-law or a patent attorney registered in the Slovak Republic.

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic as designated (or elected) Office, have changed:

Filing fee for patents:

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| - where the application is filed by an inventor or co-inventors: | EUR | 30 |
| - where the application is filed by an applicant other than the inventor or by applicants other than the co-inventors: | EUR | 60 |

Filing fee for utility models:

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| - where the application is filed by an inventor or co-inventors: | EUR | 34 |
| - where the application is filed by an applicant other than the inventor or by applicants other than the co-inventors: | EUR | 68 |

The Office has also notified changes to the conditions for exemption, reduction or refund of the national fee: the national filing fee is now reduced by 50% where the application is filed by electronic means.

There has also been a change in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office. The requirements are now as follows:

- document(s) relating to the applicant's entitlement to apply for, and be granted, a patent if the applicant is not an inventor;²
- three copies of the translation of the international application for a patent;
- three copies of the translation of the international application for a utility model;
- where the validity of the priority claim is relevant to the determination of whether the invention concerned is patentable, the Office may invite the applicant to furnish a translation of the priority document into the Slovak language, or into one of the official languages of the EPO, at the option of the applicant;

² This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

- applicants who are not citizens of a Contracting State to the Agreement on the EEA, or who have neither a residence nor a place of business in a Contracting State to the Agreement on the EEA, must be represented by an attorney-at-law or a patent attorney registered in the Slovak Republic.

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

Search fee and fees relating to the international search (Canadian Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 January 2021, there will be a change in the amount payable in CAD, as well as in the equivalent amounts in CHF, EUR and USD for an international search carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b). There will also be a change in the amount of the following fee payable from the same date:

Additional search fee: CAD 1,632

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

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (Canadian Intellectual Property Office)

As from 1 January 2021, there will be a change in the amount payable in CAD for an international preliminary examination carried out by the Canadian Intellectual Property Office, as indicated in Fee Table II. There will also be a change in the amount of the following fee payable from the same date:

Additional preliminary examination fee: CAD 816

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

Exceptional Non-working Days due to COVID-19 Pandemic

Further to the announcement in April 2020 by the Cuban Industrial Property Office of its closure due to circumstances relating to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Office has notified the IB that it reopened to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 20 October 2020.

It is recalled that additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the IB by the Offices, is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/>

Further information is also available in the corresponding section of the COVID-19 IP Policy Tracker at:

<https://www.wipo.int/covid19-policy-tracker/>

New/Updated PCT Resources

Advanced online PCT seminars: “Update on Recent and Future Developments in the PCT System” (recordings and PDF presentations)

It is recalled that WIPO’s annual advanced PCT seminar, “Update on Recent and Future Developments in the PCT System,” aimed at participants from various regions, was given online in three separate sessions (14 and 28 October and 2 November 2020), in English. You can listen to the recordings of those webinars by registering simply with your name and e-mail address. Links to the registration page, as well as the PDF presentations, are available on the PCT Webinars page at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>

The program, conducted by experienced PCT staff from the International Bureau, was aimed at patent administrators and attorneys who are already familiar with the PCT system. The following topics are covered:

- Amendments to the PCT Regulations which entered into force on 1 July 2020
- Additional recent and future PCT developments
- ePCT: latest and future developments

Materials for the European Qualifying Examination

In order to assist candidates in the preparation of materials for the European Qualifying Examination (EQE) for prospective European patent attorneys, the International Bureau (IB), with the agreement of the Examination Board for the EQE, has made available on the PCT website four PDF files containing the complete contents, as of 31 October 2020, of the “International Phase” and the “National Phase” of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* in English and French. The files are available at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/eqe/ip.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/eqe/np.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/eqe/ip.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/eqe/np.pdf>

PATENTSCOPE News

Dossier content of the national collections of Israel and the United Kingdom

The dossier content of the national collections of Israel and the United Kingdom is now available in PATENTSCOPE (<https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/advancedSearch.jsf>).

The dossier content, which is accessed under the “Documents” tab of the application concerned, 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

Practical Advice

The cost of filing an international application – finding out what fees are due when using ePCT-Filing

Q: I am going to file an international application for the first time, and I intend to use ePCT-Filing. Is there a way of finding out exactly how much the PCT fees will be before I submit my application?

A: The amounts of the fees payable upon filing a PCT application vary depending on your circumstances, as described below, but once you have entered all the necessary information in ePCT, the system will, before you submit the application, calculate the fees in real time, taking into account all the variables that can make fee calculation complex for applicants.

The fees payable upon filing an international application are: the transmittal fee (if applicable) (PCT Rule 14), the international filing fee (PCT Rule 15), and the search fee (PCT Rule 16). Other fees may also be due where applicable, such as the fee for priority document and the fee for restoration of the right of priority.

Before the full and exact fee amounts can be calculated by ePCT, you will need to provide the information indicated below (shown in the order in which they appear when preparing your international application using ePCT-Filing), as it all has a bearing on the total fee calculation.

1. Select the receiving Office with which you wish to file the international application

Typically in any e-filing system or software, it is necessary to begin by selecting the receiving Office with which you intend to file. This will directly affect the calculation of:

- the transmittal fee, which is charged by most receiving Offices³ and varies, depending on which Office you have selected⁴, as well as any other fees that are charged by the receiving Office, and
- the search fee, since the choice of receiving Office will also determine which International Searching Authority or Authorities (ISAs) are competent for your application (see below).

³ There is no transmittal fee charged by the receiving Offices of: Algeria, China, India (in the case of e-filings), Morocco, Mongolia, Slovenia and Turkey.

⁴ Please note, however, that for a very small number of receiving Offices, it is not possible for ePCT to calculate the transmittal fee because the Offices concerned do not have a fee structure that allows the system to make the calculation – if your receiving Office is one of these, ePCT will show the following message under “Fees”:

“IMPORTANT – ePCT is not able to calculate fees payable to this receiving Office. Please refer to the receiving Office for the correct amounts due for payment. Look up Annex C of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*.”

Unfortunately, in such a case the automated fee calculation sheet will be rendered with zeros at the time of filing and the receiving Office will issue Form PCT/RO102 (Notification concerning payment of prescribed fees) after filing in order to inform you of the fees due.

Although the main component of the international filing fee, which is payable for the benefit of the International Bureau (IB), is always the same amount, regardless of which receiving Office you select (currently CHF 1,330), it might have to be paid in the equivalent amount of a currency accepted by your chosen receiving Office. However, where the selected receiving Office has a fee structure involving more than one currency, it may be possible to pay the transmittal fee in the local currency of the Office, and pay the international filing fee in a different currency – in such a case, it is possible to indicate multiple currencies.

2. Indicate the priority claim (or claims), if any

If you request the receiving Office to prepare a certified copy of the priority document and transmit it to the IB, the amount of any fee that the Office charges for this service will be included in the fee calculation⁵. Moreover, if you are requesting the restoration of the right of priority, the amount of any fee due will also be calculated. The amounts of both of these fees, if applicable, vary depending on the choice of receiving Office.

3. Indicate the State(s) of nationality and residence of the applicant (or applicants)

By indicating the State of nationality and residence of the applicant (or applicants) when entering the information under the “Names” section, the system will be able to validate the competency of the receiving Office that you have selected, given that, with the exception of the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB) (which acts as receiving Office for nationals and/or residents of all PCT Contracting States), all other receiving Offices will act as such only for nationals and/or residents of certain States.

By indicating the nationality and residence of the applicant(s), ePCT can determine whether any fee reduction is applicable in respect of applicants from certain PCT Contracting States. Note that it is important to indicate the nationality and residence of **all** the applicants in order for any such fee reduction to be correctly applied.

4. Select the ISA if more than one ISA is competent to act as such for your international application⁶

As stated above, the receiving Office that is selected will determine the competent ISA(s). Since many receiving Offices have specified more than one Office to act as ISA, you may have a choice of more than one⁷. Your choice, if any, will determine the amount of the search fee that you will pay since each ISA sets the amount of its own search fee.

Note that some ISAs offer fee reductions based on the State of nationality and residence of the applicant(s), and some ISAs offer fee reductions in cases where the applicant is a university or other academic institution, small or micro entity, or government agency. Where applicable, applicants can indicate in ePCT that they fall into one of these categories, in order for the applicable fee reduction to be taken into account in the ePCT fee calculation.

⁵ Please note that for certain receiving Offices it might not be possible to fully calculate the fee for furnishing the priority document; for details please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C. If you are able to make use of the WIPO DAS system for furnishing the priority document, there is no fee payable if you request the IB to retrieve the priority document from DAS (although there may be a fee payable to some depositing Offices).

⁶ You will have a wider choice if your selected receiving Office has specified more than one ISA, or, in the case of filings with the IB as receiving Office (RO/IB), where the States of which the applicant(s) is a resident and national are not the same.

⁷ Where the RO/IB is selected as receiving Office, the competent ISAs are the same as would have been competent if the international application had been filed with the national Office of, or acting for, a Contracting State of which the applicant is a resident or national (PCT Rules 35.3 and 59.1(b)).

The language of filing of the application may also influence the amount of the search fee due, as some ISAs charge different amounts, depending on the language in which the international application is searched.

5. Add the main body of the application

Once you have attached the main body of the application (the description, claims, abstract and drawings (if any)), ePCT will calculate the page count of your application. In the case of certain receiving Offices (the Israel Patent Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office) no content can be added in ePCT, but instead, the number of pages of each of the description, claims, abstract and drawings (if any) needs to be entered manually. Do not forget that the number of pages of the request form (PCT/RO/101), including any declarations under PCT Rule 4.17, is included in the total page count and is calculated automatically by ePCT based on the bibliographic data entered. If there are over 30 sheets in the application, ePCT will calculate the amount of the fee for those sheets in excess of 30, which is the second component of the international filing fee.

Since you are intending to file electronically, the system will, of course, automatically calculate the applicable e-filing reduction under Item 4 of the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations that is accorded for ePCT-Filings. A more favorable fee reduction is applied if the description, claims and abstract is provided in a text-based format (DOCX or XML) rather than in an image-based format (PDF).

Once you have entered all the necessary information, ePCT will be able to calculate the fees based on the data and documents present so far in the new international application. The amount of the fees due is displayed using the “Show fees” button on the Fees screen, and the fee sheet can be previewed using the “Preview fee sheet” function.

If you later make changes to your **draft** international application, the fees due may change as a result, and ePCT will automatically recalculate the fees for you. For example:

- adding more applicants may affect the entitlement to any fee reductions that may have been applied to the first calculation;
- changing the language of filing or removing or changing applicants may mean that the chosen receiving Office is no longer competent, in which case you can change the receiving Office to RO/IB, which accepts filings in any language filed by applicants that are nationals/residents of any PCT Contracting State (note that, after creating your draft application in ePCT-Filing, it is only possible to change the receiving Office to RO/IB);
- changing the language of filing or removing or changing applicants may also affect the choice of ISA, which in turn would affect the search fee; or
- if additional documents are attached and those pages affect the page count, the fee per sheet over 30 may become applicable or, if already included in the initial calculation, may increase.

For applicants who are not in a position to file their international applications using ePCT, information on PCT fees can be found on the PCT website, in a single fee table (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees.pdf>) and in the individual Office-specific Annexes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>). Further information on sources of information on PCT fees will be published in the December issue of the *PCT Newsletter*.

PCT Seminar Calendar (www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 20 November 2020)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
16-20 November 2020 Online study visit	Arabic/ English	WIPO Virtual Study Visit on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for IP Office and Users WIPO speakers: Mr. Abdelnasser, Ms. Bonvallet, Mr. Jazairy, Mr. Aloui, Ms. Gross, Ms. Ibrahim, Ms. Nickitas-Etienne, Ms. Doherty, Mr. Abdulaziz	Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan) (Ms. Maysa Sabi) E-mail: Maysa.Al-Sabi@MIT.GOV.JO
19 November 2020 15:30-17:30 Beijing time (08:30-10:30 CET) Online seminar	Chinese/ English	Advanced PCT Seminar for Chinese Users WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park, Mr. Yu, Ms. Bai and Ms. Mo Other speaker: Mr. Liu (CNIPA)	Organized by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) CNIPA contact person: Ms. SUN Hongxia E-mail: sunhongxia@cnpa.gov.cn Registration: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4767281618024449550
19-20 November 2020 Online seminar	English	Advanced PCT Formalities Seminar including practical presentations on ePCT WIPO speakers: Ms. Schumm and Ms. Kang	Management Forum Ltd (Ms. Angela Spall) E-mail: angela.spall@falconbury.co.uk
26-27 November 2020 Online seminar <i>[previously announced as 15-16 September 2020]</i>	French	Basic PCT seminar: “Les procédures de la demande internationale de brevet (PCT) – initiation” WIPO speakers: Mr. Henninger and Ms. Chatel	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) E-mail: academie@inpi.fr
27 November 2020 Online presentation	German	PCT presentation on latest developments in the PCT within the framework of the 10th PAFA-Tagung conference 25-27 November 2020 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: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
2-3 December 2020 Online seminar	Arabic	WIPO Sub-Regional Workshop on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) for Selected Arab Countries WIPO Speakers: Mr. Abdelnasser, Mr. Jazairy, Mr. Abdelaziz	Ministry of Economy and Trade, Lebanon (Dr. Wissam El-Amil) E-mail: wamil@economy.gov.lb
12 March 2021 Online presentation	German	Update lecture on the PCT within the framework of the “FORUM!Live: Internationales Patentrecht” (International PCT formalities) conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 965 E-mail: s.schilling@forum-institut.de
8 April 2021 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Schumm	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
18-19 May 2021 Stockholm (SE)	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle-Park and Ms. Mohri	IP-Akademin, Trona Patentrådgivning AB (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: www.ipakademin.se

PCT Webinars

(www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)
(www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
24 November 2020 10:00-11:30 CET	Russian	Roving Webinar on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker on the PCT: Ms. Krysanova Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Mr. Spitsyn, Mr. Albegonov, Mr. Gribkov, Ms. Zikova, Mr. Dimitrov, Ms. Ganbayar and Ms. Gygax	https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6796053193801154576
26 November 2020 11:00-12:00 Moscow time (09.00-10:00 CET)	Russian	Live Demonstration of WIPO's Web Page Functionality Regarding PCT WIPO speakers: Ms. Krysanova and Ms. Morgulova	https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7947651986894192907
3 December 2020 10:00 - 11:30 CET	German	Roving Webinar on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker on the PCT: Ms. Schumm Other WIPO speakers on other IP topics: Ms. Wollgast, Mr. Halfpenny, Ms. Weiss	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1089798951609856781
8 December 2020 17:30-18:30 CET 10 December 2020 8:30-9:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE: Retrospective of 2020 and Plans for 2021 WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://register.gotowebinar.com/rt/2591960531045806352
10 December 2020 11:00-12:00 Moscow time (09.00-10:00 CET)	Russian	Who Can Act as an Applicant, How to Appoint an Agent and Who Can Act as an Agent WIPO speakers: Ms. Krysanova and Ms. Morgulova	https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2765396399465031691

Other IP events

International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 10-14 March 2021

The 48th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place from 10 to 14 March 2021. Further information is available at:

www.inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/

PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 November 2020, 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 13. (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 –	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GBP	Pound sterling	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona
IA	international application	BND	Brunei dollar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYN	Belarusian rouble	HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISR	international search report	BZD	Belize dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish Lira
		CHF	Swiss franc	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	INR	Indian rupee	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	IRR	Iranian rial	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		COP	Colombian peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	PGK	Kina	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PHP	Philippine peso	VND	Vietnamese dong
		ALL	Albanian lek	CZK	Czech koruna	JPY	Japanese yen	PLN	Polish zloty
		AMD	Armenian dram	DJF	Djibouti franc	KES	Kenyan shilling	QAR	Qatari riyal
		AUD	Australian dollar	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won (KP)	RON	New leu
		AZN	Azerbaijani manat	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won (KR)	RSD	Serbian dinar
		BAM	Convertible mark	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RUB	Russian rouble
		BGN	Bulgarian lev	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound
								ZAR	South African rand
								ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50 <i>(or eq in local currency)</i>	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	217 <i>(218)</i>	326 <i>(328)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,217 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,233)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	183 <i>(185)</i>	275 <i>(278)</i>	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,043 <i>(from 1.1.21: 2,023)</i>	23 <i>(23)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	307 <i>(304)</i>	461 <i>(456)</i>	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	217 <i>(218)</i>	326 <i>(328)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,217 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,233)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,217 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,233)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	183 <i>(185)</i>	275 <i>(278)</i>	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL ⁸ online: on paper:	175 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	BYN	94.50	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,446 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,453)</i>	16 <i>(16)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	CA EP
CA	CAD	300 <i>(from 1.1.21: 306)</i>	CAD	1,961 <i>(from 1.1.21: 1,928)</i>	22 <i>(22)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	295 <i>(290)</i>	442 <i>(435)</i>	CA

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

(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ⁹ 130	CLP eq USD ⁹ 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD ⁹ 16 (16)	– (–)	eq USD 217 (218)	eq USD 326 (328)	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN (from 1.12.20: EP ¹⁰)
CO	COP online: 400,000 on paper: 480,000	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 212 on paper: 289	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	CL EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
DJ	USD 100 or eq DJF	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 9,090 (from 1.1.21: 9,170)	100 (100)	– (–)	1,370 (1,380)	2,050 (2,070)	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 316	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 135	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	92 (93)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
ES	EUR 74.25	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,085 (from 1.1.21: 1,120)	12 (13)	– (–)	163 (168)	245 (253)	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD ¹¹ 100	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹² 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD 250	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR CL EP ES US
HN	USD 200	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP

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

(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 432,700 (from 1.1.21: 444,200)	4,900 (5,000)	– (–)	65,100 (66,800)	97,600 (100,200)	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹³ 100 or EUR ¹³ 92 (from 1.1.21: 93) or USD ¹³ 109	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233) or USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	15 14 (14) 16 (16)	100 92 (93) 109 (109)	200 183 (185) 217 (218)	300 275 (278) 326 (328)	See footnote 14
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 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
IL	ILS 559	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	EP IL US
IN	INR 17,600 (paper filing) ¹⁵ No fee for e-filings	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons) IRR 500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 17,800 (from 1.1.21: 18,200)	ISK 195,100 (from 1.1.21: 200,500)	2,200 (2,300)	– (–)	29,300 (30,100)	44,000 (45,200)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 10,000 ¹⁶	JPY 152,100 from 1.1.21: 153,600	1,700 (1,700)	– (–)	– (–)	34,300 (34,600)	EP JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 ¹⁷	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (from 15.12.20: USD 217) (from 1.1.21: USD 218)	– (from 15.12.20: USD 326) (from 1.1.21: USD 328)	EP RU
KH	USD 100	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CN EP JP KR SG
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP US
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 ¹⁸ KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL – ¹⁹	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP RU XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP RU
LY	LYD – ¹⁹	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD None	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	– (–)	217 (218)	326 (328)	EP RU
ME	EUR 15	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (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 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
MX	USD 323.70 ²⁰	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²¹ 550 (paper filing) ²¹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 13,450 (from 1.1.21: 13,410)	150 (150)	— (—)	2,020 (2,020)	3,030 (3,030)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,162 (from 1.1.21: 2,188)	24 (25)	— (—)	325 (329)	488 (493)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF — ¹⁹	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD 16 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 217 (218)	eq USD 326 (328)	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD 16 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 217 (218)	eq USD 326 (328)	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR 10.79 (online filing) EUR 21.58 (paper filing)	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD 16 (16)	— (—)	eq USD 217 (218)	eq USD 326 (328)	EG EP US
RO	RON 475 (from 1.1.21: 487)	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP RU
RS	RSD 7,700 ²²	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP XV
RU	RUB 1,700	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD — ¹⁹	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	(from 15.1.21: eq CHF 200)	(from 15.1.21: eq CHF 300)	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 13,240 (from 1.1.21: 12,920)	150 (150)	— (—)	1,990 (1,940)	2,990 (2,910)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,974 (from 1.1.21: 1,977)	22 (22)	— (—)	297 (297)	445 (446)	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP
SK	EUR (paper filings) ⁶⁶ ²³	EUR 1,217 (from 1.1.21: 1,233)	14 (14)	— (—)	183 (185)	275 (278)	EP XV
SV	None ²⁴	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	CL EP ES
SY	USD — ¹⁹	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AU CN EP JP KR SG US

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

(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
TJ	TJS — ¹⁹	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (from 1.12.20: USD 217) (from 1.1.21: USD 218)	— (from 1.12.20: USD 326) (from 1.1.21: USD 328)	EP RU
TM	USD — ¹⁹	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AT CL EP SE US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁵ 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	EP RU UA
UG	UGX —	UGX eq USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD 16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT EP SG
US	USD 260 ²⁶ small entity ²⁷ : 130 ²⁶ micro entity ²⁷ : 65 ²⁶	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	109 (109)	217 (218)	— (—)	AU EP IL JP KR RU SG US
UZ	UZS 306,830 ²⁸	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	— (from 1.12.20: USD 217) (from 1.1.21: USD 218)	— (from 1.12.20: USD 326) (from 1.1.21: USD 328)	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	Information not yet available						
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 24,090 (from 1.1.21: 24,120)	270 (270)	— (—)	3,620 (3,630)	5,430 (5,440)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	16 (16)	— (—)	217 (218)	326 (328)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,446 (from 1.1.21: 1,453)	eq USD 16 (16)	— (—)	— (—)	— (—)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²⁹	EUR 1,775 *(from 1.1.21:)	CHF* 1,939 CHF 1,915	KRW* 2,495,000 KRW 2,422,000	SGD* 2,882 SGD 2,846	USD* 2,107 USD 2,091	ZAR* 35,130 ZAR 34,720)		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD*, ** 1,507 *(from 1.12.20:) ***(from 1.1.21:) USD 1,580	CHF** 1,432 ZAR** 26,420 USD 1,587) CHF 1,446 ZAR 26,230)	EUR** 1,337 EUR 1,341	KRW** 1,869,000 KRW 1,829,000	NZD** 2,357 NZD 2,379	SGD** 2,102 SGD 2,150		
BR ⁸	Online: *(from 1.1.21:) On paper: *(from 1.1.21:)	BRL 1,685 CHF 274 BRL 2,525 CHF 411	CHF* 286 EUR 254 CHF* 429 EUR 381	EUR* 271 USD 300 EUR* 406 USD 449)	USD* 322 USD 483			
CA	CAD* 1,600 *(from 1.1.21:)	CHF* 1,085 CAD 1,632	EUR* 1,016 CHF 1,134	USD* 1,210 EUR 1,060	USD 1,243)			
CL	USD 2,000 *(from 1.1.21:) In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : *(from 1.1.21:) In case of filing by a university ³⁰ : *(from 1.1.21:)	CHF* 1,839 CHF 1,831 CHF 366 USD 300 CHF 275	EUR* 1,685 EUR 1,697) USD 400 EUR 339) CHF* 276 EUR 255)	USD 400 EUR 339) CHF* 276 EUR 255)	CHF* 368 EUR* 337	EUR* 337		
CN	CNY 2,100 *(from 1.1.21:)	CHF* 274 CHF 283	EUR* 267 EUR 262	USD* 294 USD 309)				
EG ³¹	EGP 4,000 *(from 1.1.21:)	CHF* 228 CHF 233	EUR* 223 EUR 216	USD* 245 USD 254)				

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹											
EP ³²	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,939	DKK*	13,260	GBP*	1,560	HUF*	626,100	ISK*	276,000
	JPY*	221,900	NOK*	19,010	NZD*	3,099	SEK*	18,250	SGD*	2,882	USD*	2,107
	ZAR*	35,130										
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,915	DKK	13,210	GBP	1,613	HUF	639,500	ISK	288,600
	JPY	221,100	NOK	19,310	NZD	3,150	SEK	18,610	SGD	2,846	USD	2,091
ZAR	34,720)											
ES ³²	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,939	USD*	2,107	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,915	USD	2,091)
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,939	USD*	2,107	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,915	USD	2,091)
IL	ILS	3,582	CHF*	1,009	EUR*	932	USD*	1,036				
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	962	EUR	892	USD	1,051)				
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	128	EUR*	114	USD*	131				
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	125	EUR	116	USD	137)				
	In case of filing by an individual:											
	INR	2,500	CHF*	32	EUR*	29	USD*	33				
*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	31	EUR	29	USD	34)					
JP ³³	For IAs in Japanese:											
	JPY	70,000	CHF*	612	EUR*	595	KRW*	783,000	USD*	654		
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	606	EUR	562	KRW	767,000	USD	662)		
	For IAs in English:											
	JPY	156,000	CHF*	1,364	EUR*	1,326	SGD*	2,012	USD*	1,457		
*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,351	EUR	1,252	SGD	2,008	USD	1,476)			
KR ³⁴	For IAs in Korean:		KRW	450,000	AUD*	530	CHF*	353	EUR*	320	NZD*	598
	SGD*	519	USD*	376								
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		AUD	541	CHF	356	EUR	330	NZD	585	SGD	529
	USD	389)										
	For IAs in English:		KRW*	1,200,000	AUD*	1,413	CHF*	941	EUR*	854	NZD*	1,594
	SGD*	1,385	USD*	1,003								
*(from 1.1.2.1:		AUD	1,443	CHF	949	EUR	879	NZD	1,561	SGD	1,410	
USD	1,036)											
PH	USD	1,000	CHF*	920	EUR*	843						
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	916	EUR	849)						
	Small entity or government ³⁵ :		USD	400	CHF*	368	EUR*	337				
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	366	EUR	339)						
RU	For IAs in Russian:		RUB	8,500	CHF*	106	EUR*	97	USD*	114		
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	99	EUR	92	USD	108)				
	For IAs in English:		RUB	40,000	CHF*	498	EUR*	455	USD*	537		
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	467	EUR	433	USD	510)				
SE	SEK*	18,250	CHF*	1,939	DKK*	13,260	EUR	1,775	ISK*	276,000	NOK*	19,010
	USD*	2,107										
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		SEK	18,610	CHF	1,915	DKK	13,210	ISK	288,600	NOK	19,310
	USD	2,091)										
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF*	1,509	EUR*	1,380	JPY*	173,600	KRW*	1,955,000	USD*	1,622
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,507	EUR	1,397	JPY	174,000	KRW	1,906,000	USD	1,646)
TR	TRY*	11,300	CHF*	1,939	EUR	1,775	USD*	2,107				
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		TRY	16,250	CHF	1,915	USD	2,091)				
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:				EUR	100	CHF*	109	USD*	119		
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	108	USD	118)						
	For IAs in English, French or German:				EUR	300	CHF*	328	USD*	356		
*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	324	USD	353)							
US	USD	2,180	CHF*	1,976	EUR*	1,820	NZD*	3,220	ZAR*	36,144		
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,996	EUR	1,850	NZD	3,283	ZAR	36,190)		
	For small entity ²⁷ :		USD	1,090	CHF*	988	EUR*	910	NZD*	1,610	ZAR*	18,072
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	998	EUR	925	NZD	1,642	ZAR	18,100)		
	For micro entity ²⁷ :		USD	545	CHF*	494	EUR*	455	NZD*	805	ZAR*	9,036
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	499	EUR	463	NZD	821	ZAR	9,050)		
XN	DKK*	13,260	CHF*	1,939	EUR	1,775	ISK*	276,000	NOK*	19,010	SEK*	18,250
	USD*	2,107										
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		DKK	13,210	CHF	1,915	ISK	228,600	NOK	19,310	SEK	18,610
	USD	2,091)										
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF*	1,939	HUF*	626,100	USD*	2,107				
	*(from 1.1.2.1:		CHF	1,915	HUF	639,500	USD	2,091)				

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee		Supplementary search handling fee^{2, 36}	
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 929 CHF 917)			
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,300 CHF 1,284)			
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,857 CHF 1,834)			
EP	CHF 1,939 ³²	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,915 ³²)	CHF	200
FI	CHF 1,939	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,915)	CHF	200
RU	CHF 147	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 138)	CHF	200
	CHF 235 ³⁷	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 221 ³⁷)		
SE	CHF 1,939	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,915)	CHF	200
SG	CHF 1,509	<i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,507)	CHF	200
TR	– for a full search: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,939 CHF 1,915)		CHF 200	
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 86 CHF 59)			
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 98 CHF 97)		CHF 200	
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 98 CHF 97)			
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 76			
	– for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 66 CHF 65)			
XN	– for a full search: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,939 CHF 1,915)		CHF 200	
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 585 CHF 580)			
XV	– for a full search: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 1,939 CHF 1,915)		CHF 200	
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: <i>(from 1.1.21:</i> CHF 601 CHF 593)			

Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 November 2020, unless otherwise indicated)

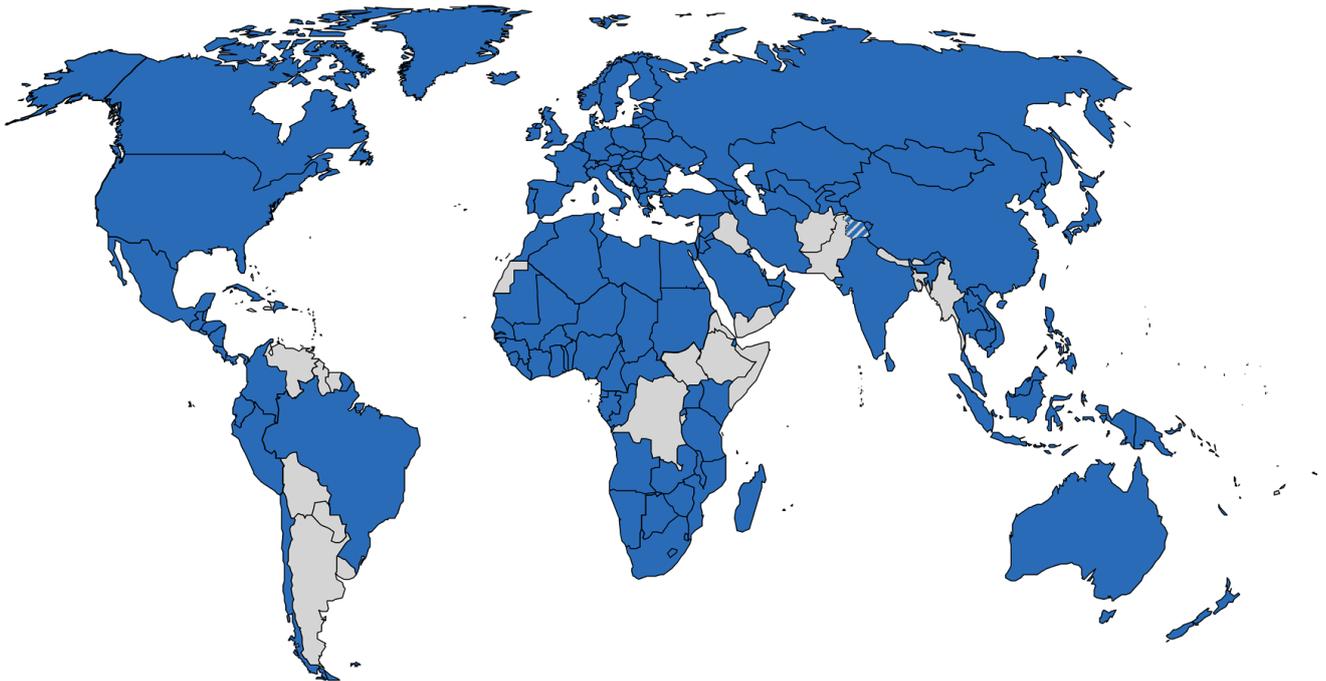
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee³⁸		Handling fee^{2,38} (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR	1,749 ²⁹	EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)
AU	AUD	590 820 ³⁹	AUD	307 (from 1.1.21: AUD 304)
BR	Online: BRL	630 ⁸	BRL eq CHF	200
	On paper: BRL	945 ⁸		
CA	CAD	800 (from 1.1.21: CAD 816)	CAD	295 (from 1.1.21: CAD 290)
CL	USD	1,500	USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
		in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400		
		in case of filing by a university ³⁰ : USD 300		
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EG	EGP	3,000	USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
EP	EUR	1,830 ³²	EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)
ES	EUR	583.65 ³²	EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)
FI	EUR	600	EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)
IL	ILS	1,535	ILS	743 (from 1.1.21: ILS 745)
IN	if ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 2,500 if ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by individual: INR 3,000		USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
JP³³	For IAs in Japanese: JPY	26,000	JPY	22,900 (from 1.1.21: JPY 23,100)
	For IAs in English: JPY	58,000		
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	255,000 (from 1.1.21: KRW 253,000)
PH	USD	500	USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
	Small entity or government: ³⁵ USD	200		
RU	For IAs in Russian: RUB	4,500 ⁴⁰ 6,750 ⁴¹	USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
	For IAs in English: RUB	16,000 ⁴⁰ 24,000 ⁴¹		
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,990 (from 1.1.21: SEK 1,940)
SG	SGD	830	SGD	297 (from 1.1.21: SGD 297)
TR	TRY	1,000	CHF	200
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70		EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)
US	USD	640 800 ⁴²	USD	217 (from 1.1.21: USD 218)
	For small entity ²⁷ : USD	320 400 ⁴²		
	For micro entity ²⁷ : USD	160 200 ⁴²		
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,370 (from 1.1.21: DKK 1,380)
XV	EUR	900	EUR	183 (from 1.1.21: EUR 185)

[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. Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 Where the IA 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: 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 IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the IA 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 IA 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 (Brazil) 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 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 for a duration of two years as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html.
- 11 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person and by 90% where the applicant is a student or a retiree.
- 12 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.
- 13 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees.
- 14 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA 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).
- 15 For paper filings, the fee for a natural person and/or a startup is INR 3,500; the fee for a small entity, alone or with natural person(s) and/or a startup is INR 8,800.
- 16 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf.
- 17 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/ mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese.
- 19 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 20 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 21 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.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% if the IA is filed by electronic means.
- 24 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% 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 80%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs 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: www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf.
- 28 Reductions may apply – for further details see the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>.
- 29 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).
- 30 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: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees.
- 31 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".
- 32 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html.
- 33 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions.
For further details see: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf.
- 34 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 35 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 36 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 37 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).
- 38 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 40 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 41 In all cases where footnote 40 does not apply.
- 42 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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AL Albania (EP)	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AO Angola	DJ Djibouti	JO Jordan	MT Malta (EP) ²	SM San Marino (EP) ²
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BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TH Thailand
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FR France (EP) ²	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BN Brunei Darussalam	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TN Tunisia ⁴
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TR Turkey (EP)
BW Botswana (AP)	GD Grenada	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	PA Panama	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BY Belarus (EA)	GE Georgia	LK Sri Lanka	PE Peru	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BZ Belize	GH Ghana (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
CA Canada	GM Gambia (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LT Lithuania (EP) ²	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CG Congo (OA) ²	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ²	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GR Greece (EP) ²	LV Latvia (EP) ²	QA Qatar	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GT Guatemala	LY Libya	RO Romania (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MA Morocco ⁴	RS Serbia (EP)	WS Samoa
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	HR Croatia (EP)	MC Monaco (EP) ²	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova ⁴	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	ME Montenegro ⁵	SA Saudi Arabia	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
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	IL Israel		SD Sudan (AP)	
			SE Sweden (EP)	

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 Italy may be designated for a national patent only in international applications filed on or after 1 July 2020.

⁴ Validation of European patent possible.

⁵ Only extension of European patent possible. Applicants wishing to obtain patent protection in Montenegro should enter the regional phase before the European Patent Office (EPO) and seek the extension of the European patent application and the granted European patent to Montenegro as there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro.

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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