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## **PCT Text Processing Task Force**

The first session of the newly created PCT Text Processing Task Force will take place as a virtual meeting from 29 to 31 January 2024. The aim of the Task Force is to advise the International Bureau on how to update the filing, processing and publication requirements within the PCT to facilitate more effective and widespread filing and processing of international applications in full text format in the international phase. The International Bureau believes that this should improve the quality of PCT publication, reduce formalities defects, bring about greater efficiency, provide more self-service options for applicants, and enable the delivery of new services, including the filing and publication of color drawings. To achieve these goals, the International Bureau has established this Task Force to seek expert input from Offices performing functions under the PCT and representatives of user organizations with observer status in the PCT working Group on changes to enable the further development of processing in full text format. Documents for the session are available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=81130](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=81130)

## **Acceptance of Documents in Pre-Conversion Format**

A new table, with information on the acceptance by receiving Offices of documents in pre-conversion format, is now available on the WIPO website. Under Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions, receiving Offices may permit the applicant, when filing an international application electronically, to also submit the document in the original electronic format from which the body of the international application has been converted (the “pre-conversion document”), so that if the international application, as filed, is later found to contain errors due to the conversion, the pre-conversion document may be relied upon to correct the errors. The table sets out the current practices of the receiving Offices which have notified the International Bureau under Section 710(a)(iv) and is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/preconversion-format.html>

## **PCT Working Group Meeting Documents**

It is recalled that the seventeenth session of the PCT Working Group will be held in Geneva from 19 to 21 February 2024. Documents are available at:

[https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=80912](https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=80912)

**Don't miss out on our upcoming PCT Seminars, Webinars, and other PCT-related events – consult the PCT Seminar Calendar in this issue!**

## **New/Updated ISA and IPEA Agreements**

### **State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations”**

Further to the amendments approved at the 55<sup>th</sup> session of the Assembly of the PCT Union (PCT Assembly) held in Geneva from 6 to 14 July 2023, an updated version of the Agreement between the Ministry of Economy of Ukraine and the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the functioning of the State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, as in force from 14 July 2023, has been published in PDF format in English and French at, respectively:

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-ua.pdf>

<https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/fr/docs/agreements/ag-ua.pdf>

## **Withdrawal of Notifications of Incompatibility of Certain PCT Rules with National Laws**

### **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**

The China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), in its capacity as designated Office (DO/CN) has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the withdrawal, with effect from 20 January 2024, of the following notifications of incompatibility with its national law:

- the notification under PCT Rule 20.8(b) (concerning incorporation by reference of missing elements or parts);
- the notification under PCT Rule 20.8(b-bis) (concerning incorporation by reference of erroneously filed elements or parts);
- the notification under PCT Rule 49<sup>ter</sup>.1(a) to (d) (effect of restoration of right of priority by receiving Office);
- the notification under PCT Rule 49<sup>ter</sup>.2(a) to (g) (restoration of right of priority by designated Office).

Furthermore, the Office in its capacity as designated Office has notified the IB that PCT Rules 49<sup>ter</sup>.1(a) to (d) and 49<sup>ter</sup>.2(a) to (g) will apply to international applications if the two-month period from the date of entry into the Chinese national phase expires on or after 20 January 2024.

The information in the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (CN), as well as the tables of “Restoration of the right of priority” and “PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities” will be updated accordingly at, respectively:

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

[https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res\\_incomp.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html)

## PCT Information Update

### CA Canada (e-mail address; fees)

The e-mail address of the Canadian Intellectual Property Office has changed, as follows:

E-mail: ic.contact-contact.ic@ised-isde.gc.ca

As from 1 January 2024, there has been a change in the amount of the transmittal fee payable to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office as receiving Office. The new amount is CAD 416.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (CA) and Annex C (CA))

### EA (fees)

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) as designated (or elected) Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2024, as follows:

Unitary procedural fee (for filing, search, publication and other processing).....RUB	50,000
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Claim fee:

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| - for each claim in excess of five.....RUB | 5,500 |
| - for each claim in excess of 20.....RUB   | 6,000 |
| - for each claim in excess of 50.....RUB   | 7,000 |

Examination fee:

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|---|--------|
| - for one invention: .....RUB   | 50,000 |
| - for a group of inventions including one independent claim:.....RUB          | 50,000 |
| - additional fee for the second independent claim:.....RUB                    | 30,000 |
| - additional fee for each independent claim in excess of two claims: .....RUB | 15,000 |

The Office has also notified the International Bureau (IB) of the conditions for reductions in the national fee – the unitary procedural fee is reduced as follows:

- (i) by 40% where an international search report has been established by the EAPO; or
- (ii) by 25% where an international search report has been established by an Office acting as an International Searching Authority under the PCT.

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

## EP European Patent Organisation (fees)

The European Patent Office (EPO) has notified the IB that, with effect from 15 January 2024, a fee of EUR 200 is payable to it as designated (or elected) Office for the validation of a European patent in Georgia, granted on the basis of an international application filed on or after 15 January 2024.

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

## FI Finland (fees)

The Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH) has notified the IB of a change in the amount of the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority, payable to the Office as receiving Office or as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 January 2024, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: .....	EUR	500
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There has also been a change in some of the components of the national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

For a patent:

Basic fee: .....	EUR	540
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Basic fee for an electronically-filed application: .....	EUR	430
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Claim fee for each claim in excess of 15: .....	[No change]	
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Additional fee for late furnishing of translation or copy: .....	EUR	140
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Annual fees for the first three years: .....	EUR	135
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For a utility model:

Registration fee .....	EUR	280
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for an application filed electronically: .....	EUR	230
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Additional fee for each claim in excess of five: .....	EUR	25
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Additional fee for late furnishing of translation or copy: .....	EUR	120
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (FI) and National Chapter, Summary (FI))

**GE Georgia (types of protection)**

The National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI) has notified the IB that since 15 January 2024, it is possible to validate European patents in Georgia for international applications filed on or after that date. For further information, see:

<https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2023/12/a105.html>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (GE) and the table of "Types of Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States")

**IB International Bureau (fees)**

With effect from 1 January 2024, there has been a change in the equivalent amounts of the transmittal fee and the fee for priority document in EUR, payable to the IB as receiving Office, as follows:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	104
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	52
- Supplement for airmail: .....	EUR	[no change]

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

**PL Poland (provisions of national law)**

The Patent Office of the Republic of Poland has notified the IB that its national law now permits an applicant who files a national application with it to request an international-type search to be carried out on such application (PCT Article 15(5)). The relevant provision in the national law of Poland is Industrial Property Law, Article 47, paragraph 5.

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

**RO Romania (fees)**

As from 1 January 2024, there has been a change in the amount of the transmittal fee payable to the State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania) as receiving Office. The new amount is RON 497.

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

**US United States of America (filing of documents in pre-conversion format)**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that it does not accept the filing of documents in pre-conversion format together with the international application in accordance with Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions.

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

## Search fee and fees relating to the international search (Egyptian Patent Office, Indian Patent Office, Israel Patent Office, Visegrad Patent Institute)

Further to information published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 21 September 2023 (page 180) (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/official-notices/officialnotices23.pdf#page=180>) concerning amendments to the agreement between the Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI) and the IB, the VPI has notified the IB of the following fees, with effect from 1 January 2024:

International-type search fee:

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| - if requested in HU, PL, SK national application ..... | EUR | 600 |
| - if requested in other national application .....      | EUR | 800 |

With effect from the same date, the Office has also notified a change in the conditions for exemptions, reductions or refunds of the search fee – where the Authority benefits from the results of an earlier search carried out by any of the national Offices of the Contracting States, 40% of the amount of the search fee paid shall be refunded. Where the Authority benefits from the results of an earlier international search report or international-type search report, 50% of the amount of the search fee paid shall be refunded. There shall be no refund of the whole of the search fee paid, or waiver or reduction of the search fee.

As from 1 March 2024, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts payable in CHF for an international search carried out by the Egyptian Patent Office and the Indian Patent Office, and the equivalent amounts payable in CHF and EUR for an international search carried out by the Israel Patent Office. The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (EG, IL, IN and XV))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### New ePCT video tutorials for applicants

The following new ePCT video tutorials have been added to the collection of [ePCT video tutorials for applicants](#):

- Access Rights ([https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/access\\_rights.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/access_rights.html)):
  - What should I do before leaving the company?
  - What to do if the sole eOwner left the company
- WIPO Account (<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/tutorials.html>):
  - Best practice with your WIPO Account
- ePCT Actions ([https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/epct\\_actions.html](https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/epct_actions.html)):
  - Delete draft and remove new IA from Workbench

## World Intellectual Property Day, 26 April 2024

### IP and the SDGs: Building our common future with innovation and creativity

World Intellectual Property Day 2024 is an opportunity to shine a light on how intellectual property (IP) supports our drive to build a better future and meet the United Nations [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs).

The theme of World Intellectual Property Day 2024 is “IP and the SDGs: Building our common future with innovation and creativity”.

Join us in celebrating the change makers around the world who are helping to build our common future with innovation and creativity backed by IP rights.

If you want to get involved and are looking for inspiration, check out the suggested activities, resources, and promotional materials at:

<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/ipday/2024-sdgs/index>

For more information, including information on how to develop your own customized World Intellectual Property Day campaign in line with your public awareness goals and to maximize impact among your target audiences, visit the WIPO website at:

<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/ipday/2024-sdgs/create-your-campaign>

### Distance Learning Course: Introduction to the Patent Cooperation Treaty

It is recalled that the online basic distance learning course on the PCT (DL101PCT) provides an introduction and general overview of the PCT System, and is entirely self-study, with assessment questions to measure your understanding and progress. After successful completion of all the course modules, you can download a course certificate. If you are interested in taking the course, which is free of charge and is available in all ten PCT publication languages, you can register on the WIPO Academy page at:

<https://welc.wipo.int/acc/index.jsf>

Enquiries should be addressed to:

[PCT.DistanceLearning@wipo.int](mailto:PCT.DistanceLearning@wipo.int)

### Practical Advice

#### Best practices for managing your WIPO Account

*Q: My company is currently assessing our security policy and evaluating where improvements can be made. Could you please advise me on how I can ensure the security and accessibility of my PCT applications in ePCT?*

*A: Maintaining the security and accessibility of your PCT applications in ePCT is crucial. For security and confidentiality reasons a WIPO Account can only be created in the name of individuals (not entities), so that each action taken by a WIPO Account holder is traceable to an*

individual person. Please follow these best practices to safeguard your WIPO Account and ensure uninterrupted access to your international applications:

### *1. Keep your email address updated*

Regularly update your email address within your WIPO Account. This email address serves multiple purposes, including for recovery of your username and password, receiving important ePCT notifications regarding the lifecycle of your PCT applications, staying informed about new releases, features and functionalities in ePCT and the availability of new webinars. Please note that each email address can only be associated with one WIPO Account.

### *2. Record a recovery email*

It is important to set up a recovery email in case you lose access to the email address registered with your WIPO Account. This preemptive measure ensures that you can retrieve your username and/or password and regain control of your WIPO Account at all times. Visit [WIPO's Learn More](#) page for detailed information on recording a recovery email.

### *3. Use two strong authentication methods*

In addition to your username and password, always set up at least two of our authentication methods for your WIPO Account. This ensures that you can log in securely to ePCT even if one authentication method becomes unavailable. Access our [strong authentication](#) page for more information, and make sure you maintain good security measures such as regularly updating your password and never sharing your password with others.

### *4. Have two eOwners for each application*

Streamline access rights management by assigning at least two eOwners to each application in your workbench. This practice is particularly helpful if one eOwner leaves your company or is unable to access their WIPO Account, providing a smooth transfer of access rights to a new team member. Additionally, to enhance security further, regularly monitor who you have given access rights to and be sure to revoke access rights for those persons who have left your company. Further details are available [here](#).

### *5. Download your list of international applications as an Excel table*

Download the list of all the international applications in your workbench and save it as an Excel table. This precautionary step ensures that you have access to this important information outside of ePCT. In the event of account access issues, having this data at hand is vital in case you need to request access rights again for your international applications. For detailed instructions, please refer to the [ePCT video tutorial](#).

These best practices contribute to the overall security and efficiency of managing your WIPO Account. This information can be found in the ePCT video tutorial at:

<https://multimedia.wipo.int/wipo/en/pct/epct-best-practice-wipo-account.mp4>

For additional guidance on making changes to your WIPO Account, please consult our [Change WIPO Account details](#) page.

## PCT Seminar Calendar

(https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/seminar-calendar.pdf)  
(situation on 22 January 2024)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact details
20 June 2024 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre Paul Roubier E-mail : info@paulroubier.com Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08

### Other IP events

#### International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), 17-21 April 2024

The 49th International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place in Geneva from 17 to 21 April 2019. Further information is available at:

<https://inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/>

#### World IP Day, 26 April 2024

World IP Day is celebrated globally. For information visit:

[www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday](http://www.wipo.int/ip-outreach/en/ipday)

## PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 January 2024, 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—refer to 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	HUF	Hungarian forint	MKD	Macedonian denar	SYP	Syrian pounds
IA	international application	BYN	Belarusian rouble	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MUR	Mauritian rupee	THB	Baht
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	INR	Indian rupee	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TND	Tunisian dinar
ISR	international search report	CHF	Swiss franc	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TRY	Turkish lira
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	USD	US dollar
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	UZS	Uzbek sum
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		AMD	Armenian dram	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
		AUD	Australian dollar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
		AZN	Azerbaijani manat	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	SAT	Samoan tala		
		BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	SDG	Sudanese pound		
		BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar		
		BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham		

**Currencies:**

ALL	Albanian lek	DJF	Djibouti franc	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AMD	Armenian dram	DKK	Danish krone	KHR	Cambodian riel	RON	New leu	XCD	East Caribbean dollar
AUD	Australian dollar	DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	Won (KP)	RSD	Serbian dinar	ZAR	South African rand
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EGP	Egyptian pound	KRW	Won (KR)	RUB	Russian rouble	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
BAM	Convertible mark	EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SAT	Samoan tala		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BND	Brunei dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 January 2024, 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</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
							Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup> (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	EP	
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU	
AP	USD	50 (or eq in local currency)	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	AT EP SE	
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP	
AU	AUD	200	AUD	2,274	26	–	342	513	AU KR	
AZ	AZN	30	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EA EP RU	
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,381	16	–	–	–	EP	
BG	BGN	80	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP RU	
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	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 <sup>7</sup> online: on paper: <sup>8</sup>	175 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US	
BW	USD	32	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EP	
BY	BYN	90.65	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EA EP RU	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	CA EP	
CA	CA	416	CAD	1,979	22	–	298	446	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>	1,454	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 16	–	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 208	eq USD <sup>9</sup> 328	BR CL EP ES KR US	
CN	CNY	none	CNY	10,620	120	–	1,600	2,400	CN EP <sup>10</sup>	
CO	COP online: on paper:	419,640 503,470	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU	
CR	USD online: on paper:	237 289	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	CL EP ES	

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

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
				Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR – <sup>11</sup>	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	AT BR EP KR
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,381	16	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 10,300	120	–	1,550	2,320	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	EA EP RU
		or EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	
EC	USD 300	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 145	EUR 1,381	16	104	208	311	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,197	13	–	180	270	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	USD <sup>12</sup> 100	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS <sup>13</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,454	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,381	16	–	–	–	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,454	16	–	–	–	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 536,300	6,000	–	80,600	121,000	EP XV
IB	CHF <sup>14</sup> 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR <sup>14</sup> 104	or EUR 1,381	16	104	208	311	
	or USD <sup>14</sup> 109	or USD 1,454	16	109	219	328	
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 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
IL	ILS 618	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 <sup>16</sup> INR 17,600 <sup>17</sup> No fee for e-filings	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
	IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,454	16	–	219	
IR	IRR 50,000 (natural persons)	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN EP IN RU
	IRR 500,000 (legal persons)						
IS	ISK 18,200	ISK 202,100	2,300	–	30,400	45,600	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,454	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 219	eq USD 328	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 217,700	2,500	–	–	49,100	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 <sup>19</sup>	USD 1,454	16	–	219	328	EA EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>	
				Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>		
KH	KHR	420,000	USD	1,454	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 <sup>20</sup> KR SG
KZ	KZT	10,264.80	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD	50	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL	– <sup>21</sup>	LSL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR	92	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP XV
LU	EUR	19	EUR	1,381	16	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR	70	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
LY	LYD	– <sup>21</sup>	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD	none	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR	100	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EP RU
MK	MKD	2,700	MKD eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	300	EP
MN	None	None	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR	55	EUR	1,381	16	–	–	–	EP
MU	MUR	5,000	MUR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP
MW	MWK	6,000	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EP
MX	USD	93.87 <sup>22</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	AT CL EP ES KR SE
	USD	375.50 <sup>22</sup>							SG US
		(natural persons)							
		(legal persons)							
MY	MYR	550 <sup>23</sup>	MYR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD	200	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EP ES
NL	EUR	50	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
NO	NOK	800	NOK	15,630	180	–	2,350	3,520	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD	207	NZD	2,436	27	–	366	550	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF	– <sup>21</sup>	XAF eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR	40	OMR eq USD	1,454	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 219	eq USD 328	AT AU EGE P US
PA	USD	240	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN	233.35	PEN eq USD	1,454	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 219	eq USD 328	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK	250	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	AU
PH	PHP	4,200	USD	1,454	16	–	219	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 online:	11.80	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
	on paper:	23.59							
QA	QAR	400	QAR eq USD	1,454	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 219	eq USD 328	EG EP US
RO	RON	497	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP RU
RS	RSD	8,210 <sup>24</sup>	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP XV
RU	RUB	1,700	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available								
SA	USD	100	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SG US
SC	USD	– <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG	50	SDG eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	15,990	180	–	2,410	3,610	EP SE XN
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,995	23	–	300	450	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP
SK	EUR on paper:	66 <sup>25</sup>	EUR	1,381	16	–	208	311	EP XV
SV	none <sup>26</sup>	none <sup>26</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	CL EP ES

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

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup>		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2</sup>	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>3</sup>
						Item 4(a) <sup>4</sup>	Item 4(b) <sup>5</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>6</sup>	
SY	SYP	5,000	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	– <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EA EP RU
TM	USD	– <sup>21</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	–	–	EA 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	1,454	16	–	219	328	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) <sup>27</sup>	2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,454	16	–	–	–	EP UA
UG	UGX	refer to Office	UGX eq USD	1,454	eq USD 16	–	eq USD 219	eq USD 328	AT EP SG
US	USD	260 <sup>28</sup>	USD	1,454	16	109	219	–	AU EP IL JP KR SG US
		small entity <sup>29</sup> : 104 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 52 <sup>28</sup>							
UZ	UZS	245,000 <sup>30</sup>	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EP RU
VN	VND	300,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT	200	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	EP PH
ZA	ZAR	525	ZAR	27,820	310	–	4,180	6,280	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD	50	USD	1,454	16	–	219	328	AT SE
ZW	ZWD	6,000	ZWD eq USD	1,454	eq USD 16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
AT <sup>31</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,710	KRW	2,536,000	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870	ZAR	35,770
AU	AUD	2,200	CHF	1,287	EUR	1,336	KRW	1,913,000	NZD	2,357	SGD	1,930
	USD	1,407	ZAR	26,920								
BR <sup>7</sup>	Online:		BRL	1,685	CHF	306	EUR	318	USD	335		
	On paper:		BRL	2,525	CHF	459	EUR	476	USD	502		
CA	CAD	2,220	CHF	1,492	EUR	1,549	USD	1,631				
CL	USD	2,000	CHF	1,829	EUR	1,899						
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> :		USD	400	CHF	366	EUR	380				
	In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> :		USD	300	CHF	274	EUR	285				
CN	CNY	2,100	CHF	263	EUR	273	USD	288				
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:											
	RUB	9,000	CHF	83	EUR*	86	USD*	91				
	*(from 1.2.24:											
					EUR	91	USD	99)				
	For searches carried out in English:											
	RUB	40,000	CHF	370	EUR*	384	USD*	405				
	*(from 1.2.24:											
					EUR	406	USD	441)				
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP	4,000	CHF*	118	EUR	123	USD	129				
	*(from 1.3.24:											
			CHF	110)								
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	GBP	1,538	HUF	690,700	ISK	259,900
	JPY	280,000	NOK	20,090	NZD	3,132	SEK	20,560	SGD	2,565	USD	1,870
	ZAR	35,770										
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,710	USD	1,870						
FI	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,710	USD	1,870						
IL	ILS*	3,820	CHF*	912	EUR*	946	USD	997				
	*(from 1.3.24:											
	ILS	3,962	CHF	907	EUR	974)						

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**Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>									
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	110	EUR	114	JPY	18,000	USD	120
	*(from 1.3.24:		CHF	102)						
	In case of filing by an individual:									
	INR	2,500	CHF*	28	EUR	29	JPY	4,500	USD	30
		*(from 1.3.24:		CHF	26)					
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese:									
	JPY	143,000	CHF	874	EUR	907	KRW	1,304,000	USD	955
For IAs in English:										
JPY	169,000	CHF	1,033	EUR	1,072	SGD	1,549	USD	1,129	
KR <sup>36</sup>	For IAs in Korean:									
	KRW	450,000	AUD	515	CHF	302	EUR	313	NZD	552
	SGD	452	USD	330						
	For IAs in English:									
KRW	1,200,000	AUD	1,375	CHF	804	EUR	835	NZD	1,473	
SGD	1,206	USD	879							
PH	USD	600	CHF	549	EUR	570				
	Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> :			USD	200	CHF	183	EUR	190	
RU	For IAs in Russian:									
	RUB	8,500	CHF	79	EUR*	82	USD*	86		
	*(from 1.2.24:		EUR	86	USD	94)				
	For IAs in English:									
RUB	40,000	CHF	370	EUR*	384	USD*	405			
*(from 1.2.24:		EUR	406	USD	441)					
SE	SEK	20,560	CHF	1,710	DKK	13,240	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,000
	USD	1,870	NOK	20,090						
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF	1,493	EUR	1,550	JPY	244,300	KRW	2,218,000
TR	TRY	51,340	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	USD	1,870		
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:									
	EUR	100	CHF	96	USD	105				
For IAs in English, French or German:										
EUR	300	CHF	289	USD	316					
US	USD	2,180	CHF	1,994	EUR	2,070	NZD	3,652	ZAR	41,680
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :		USD	872	CHF	798	EUR	828	NZD	1,461
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :		USD	436	CHF	399	EUR	414	NZD	730
ZAR	16,670	ZAR	8,340							
XN	DKK	13,240	CHF	1,710	EUR	1,775	ISK	259,900	NOK	20,090
	USD	1,870	SEK	20,560						
XV	EUR	1,775	CHF	1,710	HUF	690,700	USD	1,870		

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 38</sup>
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation:	CHF 200
	CHF 819	
	– for a search of European and North American documentation:	CHF 1,146
	CHF 1,638	
EP	CHF 1,710 <sup>34</sup>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,710	CHF 200
RU	CHF 109	CHF 200
	CHF 175 <sup>39</sup>	
SE	CHF 1,710	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,493	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search:	CHF 1,710
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority	CHF 17

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**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees [continued]**

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 40</sup>
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: <b>CHF</b> 87	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for a search of only the European and North American documentation: <b>CHF</b> 87	
	– for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: <b>CHF</b> 67	
	– 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): <b>CHF</b> 58	
XN	– for a full search: <b>CHF</b> 1,710	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: <b>CHF</b> 517	
XV	– for a full search: <b>CHF</b> 1,710	<b>CHF</b> 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: <b>CHF</b> 530	

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**

(amounts on 1 January 2024, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>41</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 41</sup> (CHF 200)
AT	<b>EUR</b> 1,749 <sup>31</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 208
AU	<b>AUD</b> 590 820 <sup>42</sup>	<b>AUD</b> 342
BR	Online: <b>BRL</b> 630 <sup>7</sup> On paper: <b>BRL</b> 945 <sup>7,8</sup>	<b>BRL</b> eq <b>CHF</b> 200
CA	<b>CAD</b> 1,110	<b>CAD</b> 298
CL	<b>USD</b> 1,500 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>32</sup> : <b>USD</b> 300	<b>USD</b> 219
CN	<b>CNY</b> 1,500	<b>CNY</b> 1,600
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 6,750 Examination carried out in English: <b>RUB</b> 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 Examination carried out in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000	<b>USD</b> 219
EG	<b>EGP</b> 3,000	<b>USD</b> 219
EP	<b>EUR</b> 1,840 <sup>34</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 208
ES	<b>EUR</b> 595.37 <sup>34</sup>	<b>EUR</b> 208
FI	<b>EUR</b> 650	<b>EUR</b> 208
IL	<b>ILS</b> 1,637 (from 1.3.24 : <b>ILS</b> 1,698)	<b>ILS</b> 838
IN	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 10,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: <b>INR</b> 12,000; in case of filing by individual: <b>INR</b> 3,000	<b>USD</b> 219
JP <sup>35</sup>	For IAs in Japanese: <b>JPY</b> 34,000 For IAs in English: <b>JPY</b> 69,000	<b>JPY</b> 32,700
KR	<b>KRW</b> 450,000	<b>KRW</b> 299,000
PH	<b>USD</b> 300 Small entity or government <sup>37</sup> : <b>USD</b> 150	<b>USD</b> 219
RU	For IAs in Russian: <b>RUB</b> 4,500 <sup>43</sup> 6,750 <sup>44</sup> For IAs in English: <b>RUB</b> 16,000 <sup>43</sup> 24,000 <sup>44</sup>	<b>USD</b> 219
SE	<b>SEK</b> 5,000	<b>SEK</b> 2,410

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**Table II — Preliminary examination fees [continued]**

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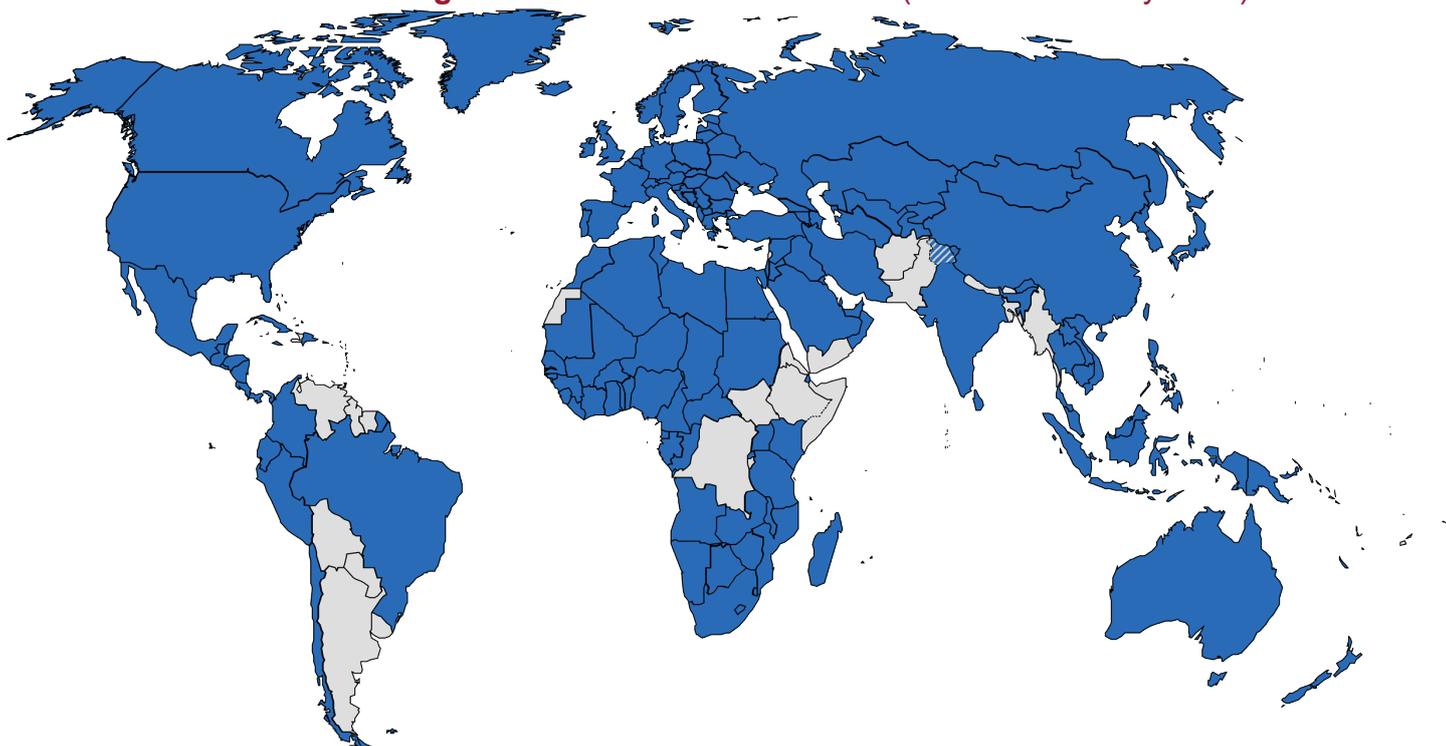
<b>IPEA</b>	<b>Preliminary examination fee<sup>45</sup></b>				<b>Handling fee<sup>2, 41</sup>(CHF 200)</b>		
<b>SG</b>	<b>SGD</b>	830			<b>SGD</b>	300	
<b>TR</b>	<b>TRY</b>	1,000			<b>CHF</b>	200	
<b>UA</b>	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA:				<b>EUR</b>	208	
	– for IAs in English, French or German:		<b>EUR</b>	160			
	– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian:		<b>EUR</b>	50			
	If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA:						
– for IAs in English, French or German:		<b>EUR</b>	180				
– for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian:		<b>EUR</b>	70				
<b>US</b>	<b>USD</b>	640	800 <sup>46</sup>		<b>USD</b>	219	
		For small entity <sup>29</sup> :		<b>USD</b> 256			320 <sup>46</sup>
		For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :		<b>USD</b> 128			160 <sup>46</sup>
<b>XN</b>	<b>DKK</b>	5,000			<b>DKK</b>	1,550	
<b>XV</b>	<b>EUR</b>	900			<b>EUR</b>	208	

*[footnotes to fee tables follow]*

**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](http://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 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 4 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 7 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, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251 of 2 October 2019.
- 8 Paper filings are only accepted if received by mail. For further details, refer to the Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253 of 13 November 2019 (<http://revistas.inpi.gov.br/pdf/Comunicados2550.pdf>).
- 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 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](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_364_153578.html). The pilot project has been extended until 30 November 2026.
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 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.
- 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 IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 15 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. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for a natural person or startup or small entity(ies).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies).
- 18 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](http://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 19 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.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 22 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 23 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 26 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.
- 27 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%.
- 28 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.
- 29 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, refer to 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](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <http://ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 31 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).
- 32 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, refer to: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees)
- 33 This fee 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".
- 34 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, refer to the relevant footnotes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>
- 35 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 refer to: [https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet\\_e.pdf](https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf)
- 36 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: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 37 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.
- 38 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 39 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).
- 40 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 41 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 42 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 43 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 44 In all cases where footnote 43 does not apply.
- 45 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 46 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—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>3</sup>	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SM San Marino (EP) <sup>2</sup>
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
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AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
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BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) <sup>2</sup>	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
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BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia <sup>4</sup>
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic	NZ New Zealand	TR Türkiye (EP)
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LC Saint Lucia	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
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CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar	SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
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CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IN India		SG Singapore	
	IQ Iraq			

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 (GE from 15 January 2024).

5 For international applications filed before 1 October 2022, only an extension of a European patent is possible (there is no national phase before the Intellectual Property Office of Montenegro). International applications filed on or after 1 October 2022 will include the designation of Montenegro for a European Patent.

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

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