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Number of copies on paper required by the receiving Office:	3
Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format? ²	Yes
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Does the receiving Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3)?	Yes, the Office applies the “due care” criterion to such requests
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¹ If the language in which the international application is filed is not accepted by the International Searching Authority (see Annex D), the applicant will have to furnish a translation (PCT Rule 12.3).

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⁵ For the relevant notification by the Industrial Property Office (Slovakia), refer to *PCT Gazette* No. 46/2005, pages 30684 *et seq.*

⁶ For the relevant Notice concerning Administrative Instruction 710(a), see *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 26 June 2008, page 93.

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Competent International Preliminary Examining Authority:	European Patent Office
Fees payable to the receiving Office:	Currency: Euro (EUR)
Transmittal fee:	EUR 66
International filing fee: ⁷	EUR 848 (878) ⁸
Fee per sheet in excess of 30: ⁷	EUR 10
Additional component: ⁷	Where applicable
Reductions (under Schedule of Fees, item 4):	
PCT-EASY: ⁹	EUR 64 (66) ⁸
Electronic filing (the request in character coded format):	EUR 128 (132) ⁸
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract in character coded format):	EUR 191 (198) ⁸
Search fee:	The search fee payable to the European Patent Office in EUR: see Annex D(EP)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	EUR 16.50
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	EUR 66
Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No
Who can act as agent?	Any patent agent, attorney or commercial lawyer (natural or legal person) registered in Slovakia

⁷ This fee is reduced by 90% if certain conditions apply (see Annex C(IB)).

⁸ The amount in parentheses is applicable as from 1 January 2010.

⁹ See footnote 2.