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**INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES**  
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**IL Israel**

**Agreement between the Government of Israel and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> - Amendment to Annex D**

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments will enter into force on 1 March 2025.

With effect from 1 March 2025, the amended Annex D will read as follows:

**Annex D**  
**Fees and Charges**

**Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges**

<b>Kind of fee or charge</b>	<b>Amount (Israel new shekel)</b>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	4,101
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	4,101
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	1,758
Late payment fee for preliminary examination	amount as set out in Rule 58 <i>bis</i> .2
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	1,758
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rules 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c) and 13 <i>ter</i> .2)	527
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2), per document	50

**Part II. [No change]**

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<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-il.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-il.pdf)

## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES AND RECEIVING OFFICES

### UY Uruguay

General information on **Uruguay** as a PCT Contracting State, as well as information on the requirements of the **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** as a receiving Office under the PCT and information on its requirements as a designated Office concerning the deposit of biological material, are now available in Annexes B(UY), C(UY) and L(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* respectively, which are published at the end of this issue of the Official Notices (PCT Gazette).

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### IL Israel

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for priority document, applicable from 1 March 2025, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)** and payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	ILS	100
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[Updating of Annex C(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 February 2025 (and until 28 February 2025), are CHF 976 and EUR 1,049, respectively.

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Searching Authority and applicable from 1 March 2025, as follows:

Search fee (PCT Rule 16):	ILS	4,101
Additional search fee (PCT Rule 40.2):	ILS	4,101
Late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13 <del>ter</del> .1(c)):	ILS	527
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b) and 94.1 <del>ter</del> ), per document:	ILS	50

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Finally, the Office notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority and applicable from 1 March 2025, as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 58.1(b)):	ILS	1,758
Additional preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 68.3(a)):	ILS	1,758
Late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13 <del>ter</del> .2):	ILS	527
Cost of copies (Rules 71.2(b) and 94.2), per document:	ILS	50

[Updating of Annex E(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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**UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)**

**Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization**

Contracting State: Uruguay
Two-letter code: UY
Name of Office: National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay) (Uruguay)
Location: Rincón 719 – Piso 3º C.P.: 11000 Montevideo Uruguay
Mailing address: Same as above
Telephone: (598) 2840 1234 (extensions 4451, 4460, 4404)
E-mail: pct.dnpi@miem.gub.uy secretaria.dnpi@miem.gub.uy
Website: <a href="https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/institucional/estructura-del-organismo/direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial">https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/institucional/estructura-del-organismo/direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial</a> <a href="https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/marcas-patentes">https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/marcas-patentes</a>
Facsimile: None
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by facsimile or the like means (PCT Rule 92.4)? No
Does the Office send notifications via e-mail in respect of international applications? Yes

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**UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)**

**Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization ( *Cont'd* )**

Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)? Yes, provided that the delivery service is: DHL, FedEx, UES, UPS
Is the Office prepared to allow applicants to make applications available to the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS) (PCT Rule 17.1(b-bis))? No
Competent receiving Office(s) for international applications filed by nationals or residents of this State: IB, UY  Does national legislation restrict the filing of international applications with foreign Offices? No
Competent designated (or elected) Office(s) for this State: UY
Types of protection available via the PCT: Patents, Utility models (a utility model may be sought instead of a national patent)
Payment methods accepted by the Office: Payment must be made on DNPI's online filing system, in the payment module: <a href="https://rad.miem.gub.uy/login/auth">https://rad.miem.gub.uy/login/auth</a>
Availability under the national law for an international-type search (PCT Article 15): No
Provisional protection after international publication: No

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**UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)**

**Annex B - Information on Contracting States or Intergovernmental Organization ( *Cont'd* )**

**Information of interest if this Contracting State is designated (or elected)**

**For national protection**

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given:

May be in the request or may be furnished later. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the applicant has two months from the time limit specified under Rule 51 *bis*.3 to furnish the information

Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?

Yes, refer to Annex L.

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### UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)

#### Annex C - Receiving Office

Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of: Uruguay
Language in which international applications may be filed: Spanish  Language accepted for language-dependent free text in the sequence listing: Spanish  Language in which the request may be filed: Spanish
Number of copies required by the receiving Office if application filed on paper: 1
Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications in electronic form? Where the international application is filed in electronic form in accordance with and to the extent provided for in Part 7 and Annex F of the Administrative Instructions, the total amount of the international filing fee is reduced (refer to "Fees payable to the RO"). Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should be furnished in accordance with Annex C of the Administrative Instructions, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.26 XML format; no fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. The relevant notification by the Office will be published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) shortly. <b>Yes, the Office accepts electronic filing via ePCT-Filing</b>  Does the receiving Office accept the submission of pre-conversion documents and, if yes, in which format (Section 706 of the PCT Administrative Instructions)? <b>Yes, Microsoft Word (.DOCX) and PDF</b>
Does the receiving Office accept incorporation by reference (PCT Rule 20.6)? <b>Yes</b>
Does the receiving Office accept the submission of color drawings on an informal basis and transmit them to the International Bureau? <b>Yes</b>
Does the receiving Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3)? <b>Yes, the Office applies the "due care" criterion to such requests</b>
Competent International Searching Authority: BR, CL



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**UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)**

**Annex C - Receiving Office (*Cont'd*)**

**Fees payable to the RO:**

Transmittal fee:

Equivalent in UYU of 100 USD

International filing fee:

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

Equivalent in UYU of 1,555 USD

Fee per sheet in excess of 30:

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

Equivalent in UYU of 18 USD

Reductions (under Schedule of Fees, item 4):

Electronic filing (the request in character coded format):

Equivalent in UYU of 234 USD

Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract in character coded format):

Equivalent in UYU of 351 USD

Search fee:

Refer to  
Annex D(CL)

Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):

The Office's fees are established in Indexed Units (UI) (Art. 117 of Law on Patents No. 17.164, as amended by Art. 398 of Law on Patents No. 18.719), however they are payable in UYU and are updated monthly, according to the value of the UI on the first day of each month. Refer to <https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/comunicacion/publicaciones/tasas-precios-direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial>.

Refer to the Office

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26 *bis*.3(d)):

Equivalent in UYU of 400 USD

Is an agent required by the receiving Office?

No

Who can act as agent?

Any natural or legal person residing in Uruguay

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**UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)**

**Annex C - Receiving Office (*Cont'd*)**

Waiver of power of attorney:

Waivers of powers of attorney do not apply (PCT Rule 90.4(e) and 90.5(d)) where the agent or common representative submits any notice of withdrawal during the international phase (PCT Rule 90 *bis*.1 to 90 *bis*.4, also refer to International Phase, paragraph 11.048).

Has the Office waived the requirement that a separate power of attorney be submitted?

No

Has the Office waived the requirement that a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted?

No

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**Annex L - Deposits of Microorganisms and Other Biological Material**

Requirements of designated and elected Offices

Only Offices whose applicable national law contains provisions concerning the deposits of microorganisms and other biological material are listed in Annex L. Unless otherwise indicated, deposits may be made for the purposes of patent procedure before these Offices with any depositary institution having acquired the status of international depositary authority under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure.

For a list of these institutions refer to:

<http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/pdf/idalist.pdf> (and the detailed requirements for each institution at:

[https://www.wipo.int/budapest/en/guide/section\\_d/subsection\\_c.html](https://www.wipo.int/budapest/en/guide/section_d/subsection_c.html))

Notifications related thereto may be consulted under:

<http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/>

Further information concerning the requirements of international depositary authorities under the Budapest Treaty is available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/budapest/en/guide/index.html>

Time (if any) earlier than 16 months from priority date by which applicant must furnish:

— the indications prescribed in Rule 13 *bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii):

At the time of filing, in the description

— any additional indications:

None

Additional indications (if any) which must be given besides those prescribed in Rule 13 *bis*.3(a)(i) to (iii) pursuant to notifications from the Office:

To the extent available to the applicant, a description of the characteristics and an indication of the usefulness of the microorganism and/or other biological material

Additional information

Deposits may also be made for the purposes of patent procedure before the National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay) with any depositary institution under the Budapest Treaty

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are CHF 246 and EUR 262 for international applications filed online and CHF 368 and EUR 392 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These amounts, applicable from 19 January 2025, are as follows:

			<i>Small entity</i>	<i>Micro entity</i>
Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup> (PCT Rule 14):	USD	285	114	57
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	USD	2,260	904	452

[Updating of Annex C(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### UY Uruguay

The **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has specified the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – in addition to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) and the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect since 7 January 2025, for international applications filed with DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> In addition, there is a non-electronic filing fee applicable to international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system (Patent Center) of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small or micro entities, USD 200.

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau of changes to several components of the national fee<sup>2</sup> in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. These changes are also applicable from 19 January 2025. The list of the said components is as follows:

			<i>Small entity</i>	<i>Micro entity</i>
Basic national fee: <sup>3</sup>	USD	350	140	70
Search fee: <sup>4</sup>				
– IPRP (Chapter II) prepared by the IPEA/US or the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, and all claims presented satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4):			[No change]	
– International search fee paid to the USPTO as ISA:	USD	150	60	30
– Search report has been prepared by an ISA other than the US and is provided or has been previously communicated by the IB to the USPTO:	USD	580	232	116
– All other situations:	USD	770	308	154
Examination fee: <sup>4</sup>				
– IPRP (Chapter II) prepared by the IPEA/US or the written opinion was prepared by the ISA/US, and all claims presented satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1) to (4):			[No change]	
– All other situations:	USD	880	352	176
For every 50 sheets or fraction thereof of the specification and drawings that exceeds 100 sheets (excluding any sequence listing or computer program listing filed on an electronic medium): <sup>4</sup>	USD	450	180	90
Additional fee for each claim in independent form in excess of three: <sup>4</sup>	USD	600	240	120
Additional fee for each claim, independent or dependent, in excess of 20: <sup>4</sup>	USD	200	80	40

<sup>2</sup> The amounts of these fees change periodically. The United States Patent and Trademark Office or the current USPTO Fee Schedule should be consulted for the applicable amounts at: <https://www.uspto.gov/learning-and-resources/fees-and-payment/uspto-fee-schedule>.

<sup>3</sup> Must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

<sup>4</sup> If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time period fixed in the invitation.

In addition, if the application contains one or more multiple dependent claims, per application:<sup>4</sup>

USD      925      370      185

Surcharge for paying any of the search fee, the examination fee, or filing the oath or declaration after the date of commencement of the national stage:<sup>4</sup>

USD      170      68      34

Processing fee for filing English-language translation after the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1):<sup>4</sup>

USD      150      60      30

Mega-sequence listing filing fee:

– submission of sequence listing of 300 MB to 800 MB:

USD    1,140      456      228

– submission of sequence listing of more than 800 MB:

USD 11,290    4,516    2,258

[Updating of National Chapter, Summary (US), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>4</sup> If not paid with the basic national fee, the USPTO will invite the applicant to pay the fee within a time period fixed in the invitation.

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – the Office no longer accepts the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means.

The Office also notified changes in the relevant provisions of its national law concerning provisional protection after international publication – the relevant provisions include Article 9(3) of the Eurasian Patent Convention and Rules 10 and 66(2) of the Patent Regulations under the Eurasian Patent Convention.

[Updating of Annex B(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau that it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Monday, 6 January 2025 and Tuesday, 7 January 2025 due to inclement weather conditions nor on Thursday, 9 January 2025 due to a national day of mourning.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5(i), if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on one of the aforementioned days, that period expired on Wednesday, 8 January 2025 or on Friday, 10 January 2025, respectively.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

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

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 March 2025, is USD 1,383.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 84 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 373 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **IL Israel**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 March 2025, is USD 1,118.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **KR Republic of Korea**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 309 for international applications filed in Korean or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, and USD 825 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **RU Russian Federation**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are USD 84 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 420 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning the number of copies of an international application required by it if the application is filed on paper – one copy must now be filed, instead of three.

[Updating of Annex C(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

The **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of several components of the national fee, in **Russian roubles (RUB)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable from 1 February 2025, as follows:

Unitary procedural fee (for filing, search, publication and other processing)	RUB 60,000
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Claim fee for each claim:

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|----------------------|-----------|
| – in excess of five: | RUB 6,500 |
| – in excess of 20:   | RUB 7,000 |
| – in excess of 50:   | RUB 7,500 |

Examination fee:

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| – for one invention:   | RUB 60,000 |
| – for a group of inventions including one independent claim:         | RUB 60,000 |
| – additional fee for the second independent claim:                   | RUB 35,000 |
| – additional fee for each independent claim in excess of two claims: | RUB 20,000 |

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

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### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 March 2025, are CHF 1,020 and EUR 1,085, respectively.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### JP Japan

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 909 for international applications filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup>, and USD 1,075 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced for applications by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details on the eligibility, 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)

## US United States of America

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollar (USD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for the reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	USD 1,456
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	USD 16
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):	
Electronic filing (the request not being in character-coded format):	USD 109
Electronic filing (the request being in character-coded format):	USD 219
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character-coded format):	USD 328

[Updating of Annexes C(AM), C(AP), C(AZ), C(BH), C(BW), C(BY), C(BZ), C(CL), C(CR), C(DJ), C(DO), C(EA), C(EC), C(EG), C(GE), C(GH), C(HN), C(IB), C(IL), C(IN), C(IQ), C(IR), C(JM), C(JO), C(KE), C(KG), C(KH), C(KZ), C(LR), C(MD), C(MW), C(MX), C(NI), C(OM), C(PA), C(PE), C(PG), C(PH), C(QA), C(RU), C(SC), C(SV), C(SY), C(TJ), C(TM), C(TT), C(UA), C(UG), C(US), C(UY), C(UZ), C(WS), C(ZM) and C(ZW) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **US dollar (USD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 219.

[Updating of Annexes E(CL), E(EA), E(EG), E(IN), E(PH), E(RU) and E(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



## RECEIPT AND TRANSFER OF FEES UNDER PCT RULE 96.2: FEE TRANSFERS PART OF THE WIPO FEE TRANSFER SERVICE FOR PCT PURPOSES

Pursuant to PCT Rule 96.2, an Office participating in the WIPO Fee Transfer Service (a “participating Office”)<sup>2</sup> as a “collecting Office” may transfer the following fees and related differences to another Office (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau, for PCT purposes, in accordance with Annex G of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT:

- **international filing fee** (Rule 15.2(c) or (d)) collected by the Office in its capacity as a receiving Office (“RO”) for the benefit of the International Bureau (“IB”);
- **search fee** (Rule 16.1(c) or (d)) collected by the Office in its capacity as a receiving Office for the benefit of a participating Office in its capacity as an International Searching Authority (“ISA”);
- **supplementary search fee** (Rule 45*bis*.3(b)) collected by the International Bureau for the benefit of a participating Office in its capacity as an Authority specified for supplementary search (“SISA”);
- **handling fee** (Rule 57.2(c) or (d)) collected by an International Preliminary Examining Authority (“IPEA”) for the benefit of the International Bureau; and
- **differences relating to the search fee** (Rule 16.1(e)) received by an Office in its capacity as International Searching Authority in a currency other than its fixed currency.<sup>3</sup>

Furthermore, pursuant to Annex G, Part II.1, paragraph 4, the transfer of the above fees and differences, from the collecting Office to the International Bureau for the further transfer to the beneficiary Office, is considered to be the transfer of said fees in accordance with the applicable Rule, and is not considered to be a payment by the collecting Office to a third party.

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<sup>2</sup> A participating Office may refer to any PCT receiving Office (“RO”), International Searching Authority (“ISA”), Authority specified for supplementary international search (“SISA”), or International Preliminary Examining Authority (“IPEA”).

<sup>3</sup> Applicable where, in respect of the payment of the search fee in a prescribed currency other than the currency fixed by the International Searching Authority, the amount actually received by the International Searching Authority in the prescribed currency is, when converted by it into the fixed currency, less than that fixed by it.

## List of PCT Fee Transfers that are Part of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service

In accordance with Annex G, Part II.1, paragraph 7 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the list of the PCT fee transfers that were part of the WIPO Fee Transfer Service for each participating Office<sup>4</sup> as of **31 December 2024** (inclusive), is as follows:

	PCT Fee Transfers				
	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>AL</b> General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) (Albania)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for: ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>AP</b> African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, SE</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

<sup>4</sup> Rows relating to participating Offices having an agreement with the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to functioning as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the *Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)* are identified by light grey shading.

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PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>AT</b> Austrian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/AP, BR, CO, CU, CV, DZ, EG, GE, IB, IN, JO, KE, KR, MA, MX, OA, OM, PE, SG, SY, TT, UG, VN, ZA	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in EUR, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/AT (BH, DJ, GH, KP, LR, LS, LY, NG, ZM, ZW)</i>
<b>AU</b> Australian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/KR</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/IB, ID, IN, JO, KE, KR, MU, MY, NZ, OM, PH, SG, US, VN, ZA	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in AUD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/AU (BN, GH, LR, PG, TH, ZW)</i>
<b>AZ</b> Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EA, EP, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>BA</b> Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>BG</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>BR</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, SE, US</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/CL, CO, CU, CV, IB, PA, PE</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in CHF</i>
<b>BY</b> National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EA, EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>CA</b> Canadian Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: (n/a)  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, SA</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in CAD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CA (BZ)</i>
<b>CH</b> Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CL</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/BR, EP, ES, KR, US</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/BR, CO, CR, CU, DO, EC, IB, MX, PA, PE, TT</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in USD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CL (SV)</i>

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>CN</b> China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)	Collecting RO	as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, IN, IR, KE, SA</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in CNY, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/CN (GH, KH, KP, LR, TH, ZW)</i>
<b>CO</b> Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, KR, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CR</b> Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CU</b> Cuban Industrial Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL EP, ES, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>CV</b> Institute for Quality Management and Intellectual Property (IGQPI) (Cabo Verde)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for: ISA/ AT, BR, EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>CZ</b> Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DE</b> German Patent and Trade Mark Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DK</b> Danish Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE, XN</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DO</b> National Office of Industrial Property (Dominican Republic)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>DZ</b> Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>EA</b> Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/AZ, BY, IB, RU</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in RUB, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EA (AM, KG, TJ)</i>
<b>EC</b> National Service of Intellectual Rights (SENADI) (Ecuador)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/CL, EP, ES</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>EE</b> Estonian Patent Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>EG</b> Egyptian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, US</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, IQ, OM, QA, SA, SD, SY</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in EGP, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EG (DJ)</i>



PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>EP</b> European Patent Office (EPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: n/a  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/AL, AP, AT, AZ, BA, BG, BR, BY, CH, CL, CN, CO, CR, CU, CV, CZ, DE, DK, DO, DZ, EA, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, FR, GB, GE, GR, HR, HU, IB, ID, IE, IL, IN, IR, IS, IT, JO, JP, KE, KZ, LV, MA, MD, MK, MU, MX, MY, NI, NL, NO, NZ, OA, OM, PA, PE, PH, PL, PT, QA, RO, RS, RU, SA, SD, SE, SG, SI, SK, SY, TN, TR, TT, UG, US, VN, ZA</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in EUR, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/EP (AM, BH, BN, BW, BZ, CY, DJ, GH, HN, KG, KH, KN, LR, LS, LT, LU, LY, MN, MT, MW, RW, SC, SV, TH, TJ, TM, UA, UZ, WS, ZW)</i>
<b>ES</b> Spanish Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>  Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/CL, CO, CR, CU, DO, EC, IB, MX, NI, PA, PE</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in EGP, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/ES (HN, SV)</i>

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>FI</b> Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: n/a <i>(specified only by participant RO/FI)</i>
<b>FR</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>GB</b> Intellectual Property Office <sup>5</sup> (United Kingdom)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>GE</b> National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)	<i>Collecting RO</i>  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, IL, RU, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>GR</b> Industrial Property Organization (OBI) (Greece)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

<sup>5</sup> "Intellectual Property Office" is an operating name of the Patent Office.

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>HR</b> State Intellectual Property Office (Croatia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>HU</b> Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>IB</b> International Bureau of WIPO (as Receiving Office)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for all participating ISAs, from applicants filing through RO/IB</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>ID</b> Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Indonesia)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR, RU, SG</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>IE</b> Intellectual Property Office of Ireland	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>IL</b> Israel Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP, US  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/GE, IB, US	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in</i> USD
<b>IN</b> Indian Patent Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/AT, AU, CN, EP, JP, SE, US  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/IB, IR, JP	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in</i> INR
<b>IQ</b> Iraqi Patent Office (IQPO)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EG	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>IR</b> Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/CN, EP, IN, RU	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>IS</b> Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP, SE, XN	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>IT</b> Italian Patent and Trademark Office	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>JO</b> Industrial Property Protection Directorate, Ministry of Industry, Trade and Supply (Jordan)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/AT, AU, EP, US	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>JP</b> Japan Patent Office (JPO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP, IN, SG  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/IB, ID, IN, KR, MY, PH, SA, SG, US, VN	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in JPY, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/JP</i> (BN, KH, TH)

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>KE</b> Kenya Industrial Property Institute	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, CN, EP, SE</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>KR</b> Korean Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collects search fees for ISA/AT, AU, JP, SG</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/AU, CL, CO, IB, ID, MX, MY, NZ, PE, PH, SA, SG, US, VN</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in KRW, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/KR (BN, KH, MN, TH)</i>
<b>KZ</b> National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>LV</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Latvia	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collects search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>MA</b> Moroccan Office of Industrial and Commercial Property (OMPIC)	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, RU, SE</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MD</b> State Agency on Intellectual Property (Republic of Moldova)	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MK</b> State Office of Industrial Property (North Macedonia)	Collecting RO: <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MU</b> Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM)	Collecting RO: <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for: ISA/AU, EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>MX</b> Mexican Institute of Industrial Property	Collecting RO:	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, ES, KR, SE, SG, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>MY</b> Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NI</b> Registry of Intellectual Property (Nicaragua)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, ES</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NL</b> Netherlands Patent Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NO</b> Norwegian Industrial Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, SE, XN</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>NZ</b> Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, KR, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>OA</b> African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, RU, SE</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a



PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	International Filing Fee collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	Search Fee collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	Supplementary Search Fee collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	Handling Fee collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	Differences relating to search fees received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>OM</b> National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion) (Oman)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EG, EP, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PA</b> Directorate General of the Industrial Property Registry (DIGERPI) (Panama)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/BR, CL, EP, ES, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PE</b> National Institute for the Defense of Competition and Intellectual Property Protection (Peru)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, KR, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PH</b> Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, JP, KR, US</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB, US</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in USD</i>

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>PL</b> Patent Office of the Republic of Poland	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>PT</b> National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>QA</b> Intellectual Property Department (Qatar)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EG, EP, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>RO</b> State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>RS</b> Intellectual Property Office (Serbia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>RU</b> Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EA, EP</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/AZ, BG, BY, CO, CU, EA, GE, IB, ID, IR, KZ, MA, MD, OA, RO, SA, SY, UZ, VN</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in RUB, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/RU (AM, KG, KP, MN, TJ, TM, ZW)</i>
<b>SA</b> Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/CA, CN, EG, EP, JP, KR, RU, SG, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>SD</b> Registrar General of Intellectual Property Department (Sudan)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EG, EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>SE</b> Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP, XN  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/AP, BR, DK, FI, IB, IN, IS, KE, MA, MX, NO, OA, TT, VN	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in SEK, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/SE</i> (GH, LR, ZM)
<b>SG</b> Intellectual Property Office of Singapore	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/AT, AU, EP, JP, KR  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from</i> RO/IB, ID, JP, KR, MX, SA, TT, UG, US, VN	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in SGD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/SG</i> (BN, KH, TH)
<b>SI</b> Slovenian Intellectual Property Office	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for</i> ISA/EP	n/a	n/a	n/a

PCT Fee Transfers (continued)	<b>International Filing Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of the IB	<b>Search Fee</b> collected by RO for the benefit of participating ISA(s)	<b>Supplementary Search Fee</b> collected by the IB for the benefit of participating SISA	<b>Handling Fee</b> collected by IPEA for the benefit of the IB	<b>Differences relating to search fees</b> received by ISA in a currency other than fixed currency
<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>SK</b> Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>SY</b> Ministry of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection, Directorate of Industrial and Commercial Property Protection (Syrian Arab Republic)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EG, EP, RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>TN</b> National Institute for Standardization and Industrial Property (INNORPI) (Tunisia)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>TR</b> Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/EP</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in CHF</i>

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<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>TT</b> Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, CL, EP, SE, SG, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>UA</b> State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANIPIO)	<i>(not yet participating as RO)</i>	as Collecting RO: <i>(not yet participating as RO)</i>  Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/IB</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in USD (specified only by non-participating RO/UA)</i>
<b>UG</b> Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB)	Collecting RO  <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, EP, SG</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

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Participating Office (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>US</b> United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)	Collecting RO	as Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AU, EP, IL, JP, KR, SG</i>  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/BR, CL, DO, EG, GE, IB, IL, IN, JO, MX, NZ, OM, PA, PE, PH, QA, SA, TT, ZA</i>	n/a	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in USD, but may receive transfers in other currencies directly from non-participating ROs that have specified ISA/US (BH, KN, TH)</i>
<b>UZ</b> Intellectual Property Agency under the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Uzbekistan	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/RU</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a
<b>VN</b> Intellectual Property Office of Viet Nam (IP Viet Nam)	Collecting RO <i>(fees paid directly by applicants)</i>	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, JP, KR, RU, SE, SG</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a

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<b>Participating Office</b> (ST.3 code and Office name)	Scope of Participation				
<b>XN</b> Nordic Patent Institute	n/a	as Collecting RO: (n/a)  as Beneficiary ISA: <i>receiving search fees transferred from RO/DK, IB, IS, NO, SE</i>	Beneficiary SISA	Collecting IPEA	Beneficiary ISA: <i>receives transfers through the service in DKK</i>
<b>ZA</b> Companies and Intellectual Property Commission (CIPC) (South Africa)	Collecting RO	Collecting RO: <i>collecting search fees for ISA/AT, AU, EP, US</i>	n/a	n/a	n/a



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## **INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES**

### **JP Japan**

#### **Agreement between the Japan Patent Office and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendment to Annex A**

The **Japan Patent Office (JPO)** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(i) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of an amendment to Annex A thereof. This amendment, which will enter into force on 1 March 2025, consists of the addition of **Uruguay** to the States indicated in items (i) and (ii) of Annex A.

As from 1 March 2025, the amended Annex A will read as follows:

#### **Annex A States and Languages**

Under Article 3 of the Agreement, the Authority specifies:

- (i) the following States for which it will act:

so far as Article 3(1) is concerned:

Japan, Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam;

so far as Article 3(2) is concerned:

[No change]

- (ii) the following languages which it will accept:

- (a) [No change]

- (b) for international applications filed with the receiving Office of Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam:

English;

- (c) [No change]

- (d) for international applications filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office acting for Brunei Darussalam, Cambodia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Thailand, United States of America, Uruguay and Viet Nam:

Japanese, English.

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<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/export/sites/www/pct/en/docs/agreements/ag-jp.pdf>

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,603.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### UY Uruguay

The **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has specified the Japan Patent Office (JPO) – in addition to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect from 1 March 2025, for international applications filed with the DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)**, has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### ES Spain

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(ES) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### FI Finland

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### IB International Bureau of WIPO

For the purposes of the **International Bureau** as receiving Office, new equivalent amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)** have been established, with effect from 1 April 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	USD	109
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD	55
	Supplement for airmail: USD 11	

[Updating of Annex C(IB) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **SA Saudi Arabia**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is CHF 244.

[Updating of Annex D(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **SE Sweden**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **TR Türkiye**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(TR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **UA Ukraine**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **State Organization "Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations" (UANIPIO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 104 for searches carried out in Ukrainian or Russian, and USD 311 for searches carried out in English, French or German.

[Updating of Annex D(UA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **XN Nordic Patent Institute**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Nordic Patent Institute**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(XN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **XV Visegrad Patent Institute**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI)**. This amount, applicable from 1 April 2025, is USD 1,905.

[Updating of Annex D(XV) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **RECEIVING OFFICES**

### **IR Islamic Republic of Iran**

The **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)** has notified the International Bureau that, as from 15 May 2025, it will accept Farsi, in addition to English, as a language in which international applications may be filed (PCT Rule 12.1(a)).

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

### **CU Cuba**

The **Cuban Industrial Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the conditions for reduction of the national filing fees for patents and utility models. Consequently, since 17 May 2021, fees are reduced by 40% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university. Annual fees from the third annuity are reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university.

Furthermore, the Office has notified changes concerning the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fees, with effect since 17 May 2021. In addition to the reduction for applications filed both on paper and in electronic form, national fees are reduced by 40% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university and annual fees from the third annuity are reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person or a public university.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (CU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### **UY Uruguay**

Information on the requirements of the **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** as designated (or elected) Office is now available in the Summary of the National Chapter (UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, which is published at the end of the present issue of the Official Notices (PCT Gazette).

**LANGUAGES ACCEPTED FOR LANGUAGE-DEPENDENT FREE TEXT UNDER PCT RULE 12.1(d): NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES UNDER SECTION 332(a-bis) OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE PCT**

**IR Islamic Republic of Iran**

In accordance with Section 332(a-bis) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that, as from 15 May 2025, it will be prepared to accept language-dependent free text in English or Farsi, for the filing of the sequence listing part of the description under PCT Rule 12.1(d). The Office also permits the language-dependent free text to be filed in both English and Farsi within a single sequence listing.

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**WAIVERS UNDER PCT RULES 90.4(d) AND 90.5(c)**

**CU Cuba**

The **Cuban Industrial Property Office**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has provided the International Bureau with a clarification about the waivers of a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney under PCT Rules 90.4(d) and 90.5(c). The Office requires that a separate power of attorney or a copy of a general power of attorney be submitted.

[Updating of Annex C(CU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



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### UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)

#### Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase

Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase: Under PCT Article 22(3): 30 months from the priority date	
Does the Office permit reinstatement of rights (PCT Rule 49.6)? Yes, the Office permits reinstatement of rights under the “due care” criterion. Fee for reinstatement of rights	None
Translation of international application required into (one of) the following language(s): Spanish	
Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, both as originally filed and as amended), abstract, any text matter of drawings	
Is a copy of the international application required in particular circumstances? Yes	
Does the Office accept color drawings under its national law? No	
National fees: The Office's fees are established in Indexed Units (UI) (Art. 117 of Law on Patents No. 17.164, as amended by Art. 398 of Law on Patents No. 18.719), however they are payable in UYU and are updated monthly, according to the value of the UI on the first day of each month. Refer to <a href="https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/comunicacion/publicaciones/tasas-precios-direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial">https://www.gub.uy/ministerio-industria-energia-mineria/comunicacion/publicaciones/tasas-precios-direccion-nacional-propiedad-industrial</a> .	
<b>Patents</b>  Fee for restoration of the right of priority (Rule 49ter.2)	Refer to the Office  Equivalent in UYU of 400 USD
<b>Utility models</b>	Refer to the Office
Exemptions, reductions or refunds of fees: Fees are reduced by up to 90% for public institutions, small and medium-sized companies, associations and groups of producers, cooperatives, independent inventors and research centers (Art. 338 of Law 19355)	

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### UY - National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)

#### Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase (*Cont'd*)

##### Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51*bis*):

##### **Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the "Request" part of the international application**

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

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

##### **Document evidencing the applicant's entitlement to apply for and be granted a patent**

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

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of receipt of the invitation.

##### **Document evidencing a change of name of the applicant if the change occurred after the international filing date and has not been reflected in a notification from the International Bureau (Form PCT/IB/306)**

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

##### **Evidence of entitlement to claim priority where the applicant is not the applicant who filed the earlier application**

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

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of two months from the date of the invitation.

##### **Address for service in Uruguay if the applicant is not domiciled in Uruguay (no representation by an agent is required but, if an agent is appointed, a power of attorney must be furnished)**

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within 30 days from the date of the invitation.

##### **Instrument appointing the agent (authorization or power of attorney)**

If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22, the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within 30 days from the date of the invitation.

##### **Verification of translation of the international application**

Furnishing, where applicable, of a nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listing in electronic form

##### Who can act as agent?

Any natural or legal person resident in Uruguay

##### Does the Office accept the effect of restoration of the right of priority by the receiving Office (PCT Rule 49*ter*.1)?

Yes

##### Does the Office accept requests for restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49*ter*.2)?

Yes, the Office applies the "due care" criterion to such requests

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

The **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Iranian rial (IRR)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These amounts, applicable since 25 July 2024, are as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	IRR	500,000	(for natural persons)
	IRR	2,500,000	(for legal persons)

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### IR Islamic Republic of Iran

The **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of the filing fee component of the national fee,<sup>1</sup> in **Iranian rial (IRR)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office and applicable since 25 July 2024, as follows:

Filing fee:

- For natural persons: IRR 500,000
- For legal persons: IRR 2,500,000

The Office also notified that national fees are payable only in **Iranian rial (IRR)**; the payment of national fees in euros (EUR) or US dollars (USD) is no longer possible.

Furthermore, the Office has notified a change to its requirements for entry into the national phase, concerning the translation of the international application: the Office now requires that the translation of the international application be furnished in electronic form.

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<sup>1</sup> Must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

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### EA Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 98 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 437 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### RU Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 April 2025, are USD 98 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 491 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DEPOSITS OF MICROORGANISMS AND OTHER BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL: INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH DEPOSITS MAY BE MADE

### PT Portugal

Pursuant to PCT Rule 13bis.7(b), the **Government of the Portuguese Republic** has notified<sup>1</sup> the International Bureau of a depositary institution having acquired the status of international depositary authority with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made under the *Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure*, with effect since 20 February 2025, as follows:

Micoteca da Universidade do Minho (MUM)  
Centre of Biological Engineering  
University of Minho  
Campus de Gualtar  
4710-057 Braga  
Portugal

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<sup>1</sup> The full text of Budapest Notification No. 368 is available on the WIPO website at: [https://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/treaties/notifications/details/treaty\\_budapest\\_368](https://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/treaties/notifications/details/treaty_budapest_368)

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### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 264 and EUR 280 for international applications filed online and CHF 395 and EUR 420 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### SE Sweden

The **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of certain components of its national fee, in **Swedish kronor (SEK)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. These amounts, applicable from 15 March 2025, are as follows:

Fee for reinstatement of rights:	SEK	2,000
Annual fee for the 3 <sup>rd</sup> year: <sup>1</sup>	SEK	1,920

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 49~~ter~~.2(d)), in **Swedish kronor (SEK)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. This amount, also applicable from 15 March 2025, is SEK 2,000.

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<sup>1</sup> This fee is due on the last day of the month containing the second anniversary (24 months) of the international filing date; where PCT Article 22 or 39(1) applies, it is payable within two months after performing the acts for entering the national phase, unless the 24-month time limit has not yet expired.



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### UY Uruguay

The **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has specified the European Patent Office (EPO) – in addition to the Japan Patent Office (JPO), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office – as competent International Searching Authority, with effect since 7 January 2025, for international applications filed with the DNPI or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Uruguay.

[Updating of Annex C(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## AVAILABILITY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS FROM DIGITAL LIBRARIES: NOTIFICATIONS BY PARTICIPATING OFFICES AND AUTHORITIES

Under the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (“DAS”) established by the International Bureau, any Office or Authority having the adequate legal and technical requirements in place is able to participate in DAS, either as an Office of first filing (“depositing Office”) or as an Office of second filing (“accessing Office”), or both, in order to facilitate access to priority documents (PCT Rule 17). Notifications made under paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents* are published by the International Bureau at:

<https://www.wipo.int/web/das/participating-offices/search>

### SK Slovakia

In accordance with paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents*, the **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau of its participation in DAS, both as a depositing and as an accessing Office, with effect from 1 July 2025.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(SK) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.wipo.int/web/das/participating-offices/search-details?territoryId=156>

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### EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a change in the location of its Berlin Office, which is now as follows:

Location: Karl-Liebknecht-Str. 14  
10178 Berlin  
Germany

[Updating of Annex B(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 90 and EUR 94 for searches carried out in Russian, and CHF 398 and EUR 418 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### RU Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 90 and EUR 94 for searches carried out in Russian, and CHF 448 and EUR 471 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 45bis.3(b), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** have been established for the supplementary search fee for a supplementary international search carried out by the Office. These amounts, also applicable from 1 May 2025, are CHF 119 and CHF 189 (the latter amount 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)).

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**IB International Bureau of WIPO**

In accordance with PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2(a) concerning the excuse of delay in meeting certain time limits due to the unavailability of electronic means of communication at an Office or organization, the **International Bureau of WIPO** hereby notifies the following period of unavailability of one of its permitted electronic means of communication due to intermittent outages:

- ePCT system: 19 March 2025, from 11:45 a.m. to 5:20 p.m. CET (Central European Time)

Applicants who did not meet a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations due to the unavailability of the above-mentioned service during the indicated period may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82<sup>quater</sup>.2(a), in accordance with the applicable conditions published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 16 November 2023, pages 217 and 218.

Information concerning this unavailability has been published on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/unavailability.html>

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 April 2025, a new agreement between the European Patent Organisation and the government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on the validation of European patents has entered into force. As from 1 April 2025, it has been possible to validate European patents and European patent applications (including PCT applications containing a designation for a European patent) in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, even though it is not an EPO member State. European patents and applications validated in the Lao People's Democratic Republic will confer the same rights and legal effects as national applications and patents in the Lao People's Democratic Republic.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### LA Lao People's Democratic Republic

Following a new agreement between the government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the European Patent Organisation, there is an additional means of seeking protection in the Lao People's Democratic Republic – from 1 April 2025, it has been possible to validate European patents and European patent applications (including PCT applications containing a designation for a European patent) in the Lao People's Democratic Republic. European patents and applications validated in the Lao People's Democratic Republic will confer the same rights and legal effects as national applications and patents in that country.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(LA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Singapore dollars (SGD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is SGD 1,852.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> For further information, refer to the EPO's *Official Journal* OJ EPO 2025, articles A22 and A23:  
<https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a22.html>  
<https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a23.html>



## **JP Japan**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 1,393,000.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **KR Republic of Korea**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Singapore dollars (SGD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are SGD 410 for international applications filed in Korean or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, and SGD 1,092 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **SG Singapore**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 2,462,000.

[Updating of Annex D(SG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES**

### **EP European Patent Organisation**

The **European Patent Office (EPO)** notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 April 2025, the fee for validating European patents in the Lao People's Democratic Republic, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, is EUR 180.<sup>2</sup>

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

### **SE Sweden – Corrigendum**

The information published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 6 March 2025 (page 64) concerning the new amount of the annual fee for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year contained an error. The correct amount is SEK 1,600.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>2</sup> For further information, refer to the EPO's *Official Journal* OJ EPO 2025, article A24: <https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/2025/03/a24.html>

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### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is KRW 2,929,000.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is EUR 1,271.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are USD 105 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 465 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **New Zealand dollars (NZD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 June 2025, is NZD 3,511.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are EUR 283 for international applications filed in Korean (or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3), and EUR 755 for international applications filed in English (or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3).

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RU Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are USD 105 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 523 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## SE Sweden

New equivalent amounts in **Swedish kronor (SEK)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30 (pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d)), for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees, as well as for the handling fee (pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d)). These new amounts, applicable from 1 June 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	SEK 15,140
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	SEK 170
Reductions (under the Schedule of Fees, item 4):	
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	SEK 2,280
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	SEK 3,410
Handling fee:	SEK 2,280

[Updating of Annexes C(SE) and E(SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### KR Republic of Korea

The **Korean Intellectual Property Office** notified the International Bureau that, due to a temporary national holiday, it will not be open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Tuesday, 3 June 2025.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application is required to reach the Office falls on the aforementioned day, that period shall expire on the next working day, Wednesday, 4 June 2025.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

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

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 261 for international applications filed in Korean (or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3), and CHF 696 for international applications filed in English (or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3).

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d), a new equivalent amount in **won (KRW)** has been established for the handling fee. This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is KRW 345,000.

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### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is EUR 1,472.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EG Egypt

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Egyptian Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 65 and EUR 69, respectively.

[Updating of Annex D(EG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is EUR 995.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1: NOTIFICATION BY AN OFFICE, AUTHORITY OR THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1(d)

### ES Spain

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(d), the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office** has notified the International Bureau that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, was not met by an interested party due to the general power outage that affected Spain on 28 and 29 of April 2025.

For further information about the conditions and other details, refer to the Resolutions published by the Office on 29 April 2025, available at:  
<https://www.oepm.es/en/sobre-OEPM/noticias-y-eventos/noticias/noticiap/Ampliacion-plazos-como-consecuencia-de-incidencia-electrica/>



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### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **South African rand (ZAR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is ZAR 39,010.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Australian dollars (AUD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	AUD	2,506
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	AUD	28
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	AUD	377
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	AUD	565

[Updating of Annex C(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, a new equivalent amount in **Australian dollars (AUD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is AUD 377.

[Updating of Annex E(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** and **South African rand (ZAR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 2,094 and ZAR 39,010.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d), a new equivalent amount in **Israeli new shekels (ILS)** has been established for the handling fee. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is ILS 875.

[Updating of Annex E(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## JP Japan

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 998 for international applications filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup>, and USD 1,179 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(JP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## NZ New Zealand

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **New Zealand dollars (NZD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	NZD	2,695
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	NZD	30
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	NZD	405
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	NZD	608

[Updating of Annex C(NZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced for applications by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details on the eligibility, 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)

## US United States of America

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for the reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	USD	1,603
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	USD	18
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request not being in character coded format):	USD	121
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	USD	241
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	USD	362

[Updating of Annexes C(AM), C(AP), C(AZ), C(BH), C(BW), C(BY), C(BZ), C(CL), C(CR), C(DJ), C(DO), C(EA), C(EC), C(EG), C(GE), C(GH), C(HN), C(IB), C(IL), C(IN), C(IQ), C(IR), C(JM), C(JO), C(KE), C(KG), C(KH), C(KZ), C(LR), C(MD), C(MW), C(MX), C(NI), C(OM), C(PA), C(PE), C(PG), C(PH), C(QA), C(RU), C(SC), C(SV), C(SY), C(TJ), C(TM), C(TT), C(UA), C(UG), C(US), C(UY), C(UZ), C(WS), C(ZM) and C(ZW) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 241.

[Updating of Annexes E(CL), E(EA), E(EG), E(IN), E(PH), E(RU) and E(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **ZA South Africa**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **South African rand (ZAR)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	ZAR	29,860
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	ZAR	340
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	ZAR	4,490
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	ZAR	6,740

[Updating of Annex C(ZA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Austrian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### AU Australia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Australian Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 1,168.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 245 and EUR 263 for international applications filed online and CHF 368 and EUR 394 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Canadian dollars (CAD)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	CAD	2,229
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	CAD	25
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	CAD	335
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	CAD	503

[Updating of Annex C(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 1,383.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Canadian dollars (CAD)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is CAD 335.

[Updating of Annex E(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **CN China**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Chinese Yuan Renminbi (CNY)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	CNY	11,620
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	CNY	130
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	CNY	1,750
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	CNY	2,620

[Updating of Annex C(CN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 240.

[Updating of Annex D(CN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Chinese Yuan Renminbi (CNY)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is CNY 1,750.

[Updating of Annex E(CN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



## ES Spain

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(ES) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FI Finland

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## HU Hungary

The **Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14), in **Hungarian forints (HUF)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. This amount, applicable since 13 April 2025, is HUF 15,500.

[Updating of Annex C(HU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IB International Bureau of WIPO

For the purposes of the **International Bureau** as receiving Office, new equivalent amounts of fees in **US dollars (USD)** have been established, with effect from 1 July 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	USD	121
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD	60
	Supplement for airmail:	USD 12

[Updating of Annex C(IB) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 937.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## SA Saudi Arabia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d), new equivalent amounts in **Saudi riyals (SAR)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30, as well as for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	SAR	6,057
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	SAR	68
Reductions (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request being in character coded format):	SAR	911
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	SAR	1,366

[Updating of Annex C(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is CHF 220.

[Updating of Annex D(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, a new equivalent amount in **Saudi riyals (SAR)** has been established for the handling fee, pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d). This amount, also applicable from 1 July 2025, is SAR 911.

[Updating of Annex E(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## SE Sweden

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## TR Türkiye

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(TR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## UA Ukraine

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANIPIO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are USD 114 for searches carried out in Ukrainian or Russian, and USD 341 for searches carried out in English, French or German.

[Updating of Annex D(UA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## US United States of America

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for international searches carried out by the **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 July 2025, are CHF 1,976 and EUR 2,114 for an entity other than a small or micro entity, CHF 790 and EUR 846 for a small entity, and CHF 395 and EUR 423 for a micro entity.

[Updating of Annex D(US) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## XN Nordic Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Nordic Patent Institute**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(XN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## XV Visegrad Patent Institute

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI)**. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is USD 2,094.

[Updating of Annex D(XV) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### BH Bahrain

The **Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain)** has specified the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) – in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, with effect from 15 June 2025, for international applications filed with the Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain) or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Bahrain.

[Updating of Annex C(BH) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1: NOTIFICATION BY AN OFFICE, AUTHORITY OR THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1(d)

### EP European Patent Organisation

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(d), the **European Patent Office (EPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it expiring on 28 or 29 April 2025 was not met by an interested party residing or having a place of business in any of the territories affected by the major power outages in Spain, Portugal, Andorra and parts of France during that time.

For further information, refer to the notice published by the EPO on its website at:

<https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/notice-16-may-2025>

and to the May 2025 issue of the EPO's *Official Journal*.

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## MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE PCT

### NOTE PREPARED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

Following consultation with Offices and Authorities pursuant to PCT Rule 89.2(b), modifications to the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, relating to Section 703 and new Section 705*quater*, were promulgated<sup>1</sup> with effect from 1 July 2025.

The main purpose of these modifications is to implement the amendments to Rule 89*bis*.1 of the *Regulations under the PCT* with the introduction of the new paragraphs 703(e-*bis*) and (e-*ter*) as safeguards to allow Offices to accept paper submissions in exceptional circumstances or, if they so wish, to convert paper submissions into electronic form in exceptional circumstances. The addition of Section 705*quater* provides a legal basis for treating the electronic resubmission of the international application originally filed on paper as the home copy, record copy and search copy.

The full text of the Administrative Instructions as in force from 1 July 2025 (PCT/AI/25) will be available on the WIPO website.

### TEXT OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

(as in force from 1 July 2025)

#### Section 703

#### Filing Requirements; Basic Common Standard

(a) to (e) [No change]

(e-*bis*) Any receiving Office that has notified the International Bureau in accordance with Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*) may nevertheless decide in a particular case to receive the international application submitted on paper.

(e-*ter*) Any receiving Office that has notified the International Bureau in accordance with Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*ter*) may decide, in a particular case, to convert the application filed on paper into electronic form in accordance with Section 705*bis*.

(f) [No change]

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<sup>1</sup> Refer to Circular C. PCT 1684, dated 16 April 2025.

**Section 705<sup>quater</sup>**  
**International Applications Resubmitted in Electronic Form**

(a) Where an international application filed on paper is resubmitted by the applicant in electronic form in accordance with Rule 89<sup>bis</sup>.1(d-*ter*), the receiving Office, for the purposes of Article 12, shall keep the resubmission as the home copy and transmit copies as the record copy and the search copy.

(b) Subject to Section 705<sup>bis</sup>, the original of the international application filed on paper shall be kept, for a period of at least 10 years from the international filing date, by the International Bureau or, where so agreed by the receiving Office and the International Bureau, by the receiving Office on behalf of the International Bureau. The original shall be marked with the words “INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION – ORIGINAL AS FILED ON PAPER (Rule 89<sup>bis</sup>.1(d-*ter*))” or their equivalent in the language of publication of the international application at the bottom of the first page of the request and of the first page of the description.<sup>2</sup>

**FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT**

**AT Austria**

The **Austrian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for priority document, applicable from 1 July 2025, in **euros (EUR)** and payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	EUR 111
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[Updating of Annex C(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**BR Brazil**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 August 2025, are USD 298 for international applications filed online and USD 446 for international applications filed on paper.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>2</sup> *Editor's Note:* In principle, receiving Offices should mark the original at the time of its receipt but they could also mark the original when it is relied upon for the purposes of the correction of the record copy under Section 705<sup>bis</sup>(d).



**EXCUSE OF DELAY UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES, AUTHORITIES AND THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU UNDER PCT RULE 82*quater*.1(d)**

**IB International Bureau of WIPO**

In accordance with PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(d), the **International Bureau** hereby notifies that it shall waive the need for evidence for excuse of delay under PCT Rule 82*quater*.1(a), where a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it (including in its capacity as receiving Office), was not met by an interested party due to the major power outages that affected Spain, Portugal, Andorra and parts of France on 28 and 29 April 2025.

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### MU Mauritius

#### AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

On 27 May 2025, **Mauritius** deposited its instrument of accession to the *Protocol on Patents and Industrial Designs within the Framework of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) (Harare Protocol)* and will become bound by that Protocol on 27 August 2025. Consequently, any international application filed on or after 27 August 2025 will include the designation of Mauritius for an ARIPO patent, as well as for a national patent.

Furthermore, from 27 August 2025, nationals and residents of Mauritius will be able to file international applications with ARIPO in its capacity as receiving Office, in addition to the Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM) and the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO.

[Updating of Annexes B(AP), C(AP) and B(MU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 August 2025, are USD 113 for searches carried out in Russian, and USD 504 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### RU Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** and **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 August 2025, are EUR 99 and USD 113 for searches carried out in Russian, and EUR 497 and USD 567 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### CA Canada

The **Canadian Intellectual Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the maintenance fee component of its national fee, payable in **Canadian dollars (CAD)** to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 January 2025. This amount, payable in respect of each one-year period and due at the time of entry into the national phase, where that entry is effected on or after the 2<sup>nd</sup> or possibly 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the international filing date, is CAD 130.50. The fee for a small entity remains unchanged (CAD 58.68).

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### CN China

The **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**, in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, has notified the International Bureau of several changes concerning the time limits for payment of its national fees. The application publication fee for patents must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1). The fee for priority claims for patents and the filing fee, the additional filing fee and the fee for priority claims for utility models must be paid within two months from the date of entry into the national phase.

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

## INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS CONTAINING SEQUENCE LISTINGS: NOTIFICATIONS BY INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES OF APPLICABLE TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

### AU Australia

The **Australian Patent Office**, in its capacity as International Searching Authority, has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning the types of physical media accepted by the Authority for the furnishing of nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence listings in electronic form, under PCT Rule 13~~ter~~.1 and in accordance with Annex C of the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, as follows:

An entire copy of the sequence listing and identifying data should be contained within one XML file (compliant with WIPO Standard ST.26) on a single standard (ISO 9660) CD-ROM, CD-R, DVD or DVD-R.

[Updating of Annex D(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### SE Sweden

The **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)** has notified the International Bureau that the relevant provisions in the national law of Sweden concerning international-type search (PCT Article 15) are now provided in Chapter 4, Articles 7 and 8 of the Patents Act and in Chapter 4, Article 4 of the Decree implementing that Act.

Furthermore, the Office has notified changes in the relevant provisions of its national law concerning provisional protection after international publication as follows:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a national patent: After international publication, the furnishing of a translation into Swedish or English or, if the international application was filed in Swedish or English, of a copy of the application as filed, gives the applicant provisional protection in the sense that he, upon grant of the patent, is entitled to damages. These are limited to what is judged reasonable in the circumstances and the protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent. Refer to Chapter 10, Articles 7 and 8 and Chapter 15, Articles 10 to 12 of the Patents Act.

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent: Compensation reasonable in the circumstances, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation into Swedish of the claims of the application have been met, and upon grant of the patent. Protection is limited to what is claimed in both the application and the patent. Refer to Chapter 11, Article 12 of the Patents Act.

[Updating of Annex B(SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 August 2025, are EUR 99 for searches carried out in Russian, and EUR 442 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### SG Singapore

The **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to whether a copy of the international application is required upon entry into the national phase – the applicant is only required to provide a copy of the international application if the national phase entry takes place prior to the publication of the international application. This may be the case where the applicant expressly requests an earlier start of the national phase under PCT Article 23(2) or 40(2).

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### AT Austria

The **Austrian Patent Office** has notified a new amount of the document fee (*Schriftengebühr*) for patents and for utility models, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. This amount, applicable from 1 July 2025, is EUR 74.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (AT), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)

During its fifty-sixth (32<sup>nd</sup> extraordinary) session, held in Geneva from 9 to 17 July 2024, the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) adopted, among others, amendments to Rules 89bis.1 and 89bis.2 of the *Regulations under the PCT* allowing an Office, other than the International Bureau, to require international applications or subsequently-filed documents to be submitted in electronic form only, or to require that any document submitted on paper is submitted again in electronic form within two months. These new Rules entered into force on 1 July 2025.

In particular, new Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) provides that: “A national Office or intergovernmental organization, other than the International Bureau, that has made a notification under paragraph (d) may notify the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means. The International Bureau shall publish a notification made under this paragraph in the *Gazette*.”

### BR Brazil

In accordance with PCT Rule 89bis.1(d-bis), the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 3 September 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

### BR Brazil

#### Agreement between the Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendment to Annex D

On 13 May 2025, the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(2) of the above-mentioned Agreement of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments, which consist of changes to the amounts of online fees and charges, will enter into force on 7 August 2025.

With effect from 7 August 2025, the amended Annex D will read as follows:

#### Annex D Fees and Charges

##### Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges

Kind of fee or charge <sup>2</sup>	Amount (Brazilian reals)	
	(online)	(on paper) <sup>3</sup>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	2,510	[No change]
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	2,010	[No change]
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	930	[No change]
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	540	[No change]
Late payment fee for preliminary examination	amount as set out in Rule 58 <i>bis</i> .2	
Protest fee (Rules 40.2(e) and 68.3(e))	1,810	[No change]
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rule 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c) and 13 <i>ter</i> .2)	260	[No change]
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2), per page	0	[No change]

##### Part II. [No change]

<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-br.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> These fees are reduced by 60% under certain conditions (refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251/19 of 2 October 2019).

<sup>3</sup> International applications and PCT-related documents filed on paper are received only by mail (refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 253/19 of 13 November 2019).

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### BR Brazil

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** has notified a new amount of the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14) for international applications filed online, in **Brazilian real (BRL)**, payable to it as receiving Office. This amount, applicable from 7 August 2025, is BRL 260.

[Updating of Annex C(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, the Office has notified new amounts of fees, in **Brazilian real (BRL)**, payable to it as International Searching Authority<sup>4</sup> and applicable from 7 August 2015, as follows:

Search fee (PCT Rule 16):	BRL	2,510	(online)
Additional search fee (PCT Rule 40.2):	BRL	2,010	(online)
Protest fee (PCT Rule 40.2(e)):	BRL	1,810	(online)
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rule 13 <del>ter</del> .1(c)):	BRL	260	(online)
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 94.1 <del>ter</del> ):	BRL	0	(online)

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, the Office has notified new amounts of fees, in **Brazilian real (BRL)**, payable to it as International Preliminary Examining Authority<sup>4</sup> and also applicable from 7 August 2025, as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 58):	BRL	930	(online)
Additional preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 68.3):	BRL	540	(online)
Protest fee (PCT Rule 68.3(e)):	BRL	1,810	(online)
Late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13 <del>ter</del> .2):	BRL	260	(online)
Fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report (PCT Rule 71.2):	BRL	0	(online)
Fee for copies of documents contained in the file of the international application (PCT Rule 94.2):	BRL	0	(online)

[Updating of Annex E(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>4</sup> These fees are reduced by 60% under certain conditions (refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 251/19 of 2 October 2019).

## CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 September 2025, is USD 1,696.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IN India

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Indian Patent Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 September 2025, are CHF 94 and EUR 100, or CHF 24 and EUR 25 in the case of filing by an individual.

[Updating of Annex D(IN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## KR Republic of Korea

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Korean Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 September 2025, are USD 333 for international applications filed in Korean or for which a translation into Korean has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, and USD 888 for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annex D(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### BR Brazil

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** has notified new amounts of the filing fee components of the national fee, in **Brazilian real (BRL)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable from 7 August 2025, as follows:

For a patent:	BRL	260 (online)
	BRL	380 (on paper)
For a utility model:	BRL	260 (online)
	BRL	380 (on paper)

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### MU Mauritius

The **Industrial Property Office of Mauritius (IPOM)** has notified the International Bureau of a change to its email address, which is now as follows:

E-mail: ipom@govmu.org

[Updating of Annex B(MU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

The **African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office and applicable since 1 March 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	USD	100	(or equivalent in the local currency of any ARIPO Contracting State where the applicant is resident)
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Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD	500	(or equivalent in the local currency of any ARIPO Contracting State where the applicant is resident)
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[Updating of Annex C(AP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### BR Brazil

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts, in **Swiss francs (CHF)**, **euros (EUR)** and **US dollars (USD)**, have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)**. These amounts, applicable from 7 August 2025, are CHF 371, EUR 395 and USD 451, when filing online.

[Updating of Annex D(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES**

### **BA Bosnia and Herzegovina**

The **Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau, under PCT Rules 89*bis*.1(d) and 89*bis*.2 and in accordance with Sections 710(a) and 713(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form with effect from 1 October 2025, as follows:

#### **As to electronic document formats (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- XML (in general; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.1)
- WIPO Standard ST.26 XML (for sequence listings; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.4, and Annex C)
- PDF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.2)
- TIFF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.3.1)
- JPEG (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.3.2)

#### **As to means of transmittal (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- online filing (see Annex F, section 5 and Appendix III, section 2(d))

#### **As to electronic document packaging (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- WASP (Wrapped and Signed Package; see Annex F, section 4.2.1)

#### **As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT-Filing

#### **As to types of electronic signature (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- facsimile and text string types of signatures (see Annex F, sections 3.3.1 and 3.3.2)
- enhanced electronic signature (see Annex F, section 3.3.4)



**As to conditions, rules and procedures relating to electronic receipt (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

The acknowledgement of receipt of any purported international application filed in electronic form with the Office will contain, in addition to the mandatory information required under Section 704(a)(i) to (iv), the names of the electronic files received (see Section 704(a)(v)). The Office will make every effort to accept an international application in electronic form. It is only if the application is not sent in accordance with the E-filing interoperability protocol (see Annex F, section 5.1) that no acknowledgement of receipt will be generated. Other errors, such as the use of outdated certificates (see Annex F, Appendix II, section 4.4.7), applications infected by viruses or other forms of malicious logic (see Section 708(b)) or certain missing files, are notified to the applicant by inclusion in the notification of receipt.

Where it appears that the notification of receipt sent to the applicant by electronic means of transmittal was not successfully transmitted, the Office will promptly retransmit the notification of receipt by the same or another means (see Section 709(b)).

**As to methods of online payment (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

Online payment is not available.

**As to details concerning help desks (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

The Office has put in place a help desk to answer questions from users of the service. The help desk may be contacted:

by telephone at: (387-36) 33 43 82; (387-33) 65 21 65 and (387-51) 22 68 40

by e-mail at: [info@ipr.gov.ba](mailto:info@ipr.gov.ba); [banjaluka@ipr.gov.ba](mailto:banjaluka@ipr.gov.ba); [sarajevo@ipr.gov.ba](mailto:sarajevo@ipr.gov.ba); [mostar@ipr.gov.ba](mailto:mostar@ipr.gov.ba)

**As to the kinds of documents which may be transmitted to the Office in electronic form (Section 710(a)(iii)):**

- international applications
- subsequently filed documents for international applications, to the extent supported by the relevant software.

**As to the filing of documents in pre-conversion format (Section 710(a)(iv)):**

The Office will accept the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application.

**As to procedures for notification of applicants and procedures which applicants may follow as alternatives when the electronic systems of the Office are not available (Section 710(a)(v)):**

In case of failure of the electronic systems when an international application is filed with it, the Office will use all means available, such as fax or e-mail, to inform the applicant about procedures to follow as alternatives.

The Office will provide information concerning the availability of the online filing system on its website (<https://www.ipr.gov.ba>)

**As to the certification authorities that are accepted by the Office and the electronic addresses of the certificate policies under which certificates are issued (Section 710(a)(vi)):**

- WIPO customer CA (<https://www.wipo.int/pct-eservices/en/certificates.html>)

**As to the procedures relating to access to the files of international applications filed or stored in electronic form (Section 710(a)(vii)):**

Applications filed via ePCT-Filing can be accessed by the applicant using ePCT.

[Updating of Annex C(BA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **KR Republic of Korea**

Under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau of changes to two items of its notification concerning the filing and processing of international applications in electronic form, namely changes to the items titled: “As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i))” and “As to the kinds of documents which may be transmitted to the Office in electronic form (Section 710(a)(iii))”. The changes consist of a version update to filing software and do not restrict existing filing options. The updated filing software replaced the previous filing software on 1 January 2025.

Consequently, the items below replace the corresponding items published in the Official Notifications (PCT Gazette) of 2 August 2024, pages 125 *et seq.*:

**“As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT-Filing
- NK-Editor, KIPO-Editor software
- PKEAPS software”

**“As to the kinds of documents which may be transmitted to the Office in electronic form (Section 710(a)(iii)):**

- international applications
- any subsequent document, such as amendments, corrections or rectifications of the description or claims, that may be prepared with the PKEAPS software.”

[Updating of Annex C(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### AL Albania

The **General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) (Albania)** has notified the International Bureau of a telephone number, as well as changes to its e-mail address and Internet address, which are now as follows:

Telephone:	0800 1993 (toll-free in Albania)
E-mail:	info@dppi.gov.al
Internet:	www.dppi.gov.al

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning its facsimile services and the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – with effect since 1 May 2022, the Office discontinued the use of its fax services and no longer accepts the filing of international applications and other documents by means of fax.

[Updating of Annex B(AL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

The **African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning its facsimile services and the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – with effect since 1 March 2025, the Office discontinued the use of its fax services and no longer accepts the filing of international applications and other documents by means of fax.

[Updating of Annex B(AP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### PL Poland

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Poland** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the relevant provisions of its national law concerning provisional protection after international publication as follows:

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

The applicant must submit to the Office a translation of the international application into Polish (upon entry into the national phase). The provisional protection applies as from the date of the subsequent publication of the translation of the international application (bibliographic data, abstract and figure of drawings, if any) in the Office's Bulletin [*Biuletyn Urzędu Patentowego*] (refer to Article 4 of the Industrial Property Law (PPL) in conjunction with Section 43 of the Regulation of the Prime Minister of 17 September 2001 on Filing and Processing of Patent and Utility Model Applications).

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

Provisional protection of a European patent shall be effective in Poland as from the day of publication of the European patent application in the European Patent Bulletin, if the applicant has filed an application for provisional protection in Poland, a translation of the claims into Polish and paid the appropriate fee. Information about provisional protection is published in the Office's Bulletin (BUP).

[Updating of Annex B(PL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CN China

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)**. This amount, applicable from 1 September 2025, is EUR 250.

[Updating of Annex D(CN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **Chinese Yuan Renminbi (CNY)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 September 2025, is CNY 15,490.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### HU Hungary

The **Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for priority document, applicable since 13 April 2025, in **Hungarian forints (HUF)** and payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office, as follows:

Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	HUF (per page) 400
	HUF (per document) plus 4,000

[Updating of Annex C(HU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IL Israel

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **US dollars (USD)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Israel Patent Office**. This amount, applicable from 1 September 2025, is USD 1,220.

[Updating of Annex D(IL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### AP African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)

The **African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)** has notified a change to the time by which the patents filing fee and the utility models filing fee must be paid, as well as a new amount of the patents designation fee in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office.

The changes, applicable since 1 March 2025, are as follows:

The patents filing fee and the utility models filing fee must be paid within 14 days from the expiration of the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

For patents:

Designation fee, per country: USD 100

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (AP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### HU Hungary

The **Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)** has notified new amounts of several components of the national fee, in **Hungarian forint (HUF)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. These amounts, applicable since 13 April 2025, are as follows:

For a patent:

- where the Office is  
a designated Office:
  - HUF50,000 plus
  - HUF 2,500 per claim for the 11<sup>th</sup>  
to the 20<sup>th</sup> claim
  - HUF 5,000 per claim for the 21<sup>st</sup>  
to the 30<sup>th</sup> claim
  - HUF 7,500 for each claim  
in excess of 30
- where the Office is  
an elected Office: HUF25,000 plus

HUF 1,250 per claim for the 11<sup>th</sup>  
to the 20<sup>th</sup> claim

HUF 2,500 per claim for the 21<sup>st</sup>  
to the 30<sup>th</sup> claim

HUF 3,750 for each claim  
in excess of 30

For a utility model:

HUF25,000 plus

HUF 1,500 for each claim  
in excess of 10

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (HU), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis:**  
**NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)**

During its fifty-sixth (32<sup>nd</sup> extraordinary) session, held in Geneva from 9 to 17 July 2024, the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) adopted, among others, amendments to Rules 89bis.1 and 89bis.2 of the *Regulations under the PCT* allowing an Office, other than the International Bureau, to require international applications or subsequently-filed documents to be submitted in electronic form only, or to require that any document submitted on paper is submitted again in electronic form within two months. These new Rules entered into force on 1 July 2025.

In particular, new Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) provides that: “A national Office or intergovernmental organization, other than the International Bureau, that has made a notification under paragraph (d) may notify the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means. The International Bureau shall publish a notification made under this paragraph in the Gazette.”

**NZ New Zealand**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89bis.1(d-bis), the **Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand (IPONZ)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 24 September 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(NZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



**SA Saudi Arabia**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 24 September 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**TR Türkiye**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), the **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 24 September 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(TR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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**INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES**  
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**SG Singapore**

**Agreement between the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendments to Annex D**

The **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments, which will take effect on 1 September 2025, consist of changes in the amounts of several fees payable to the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore in its capacity as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority.

With effect from 1 September 2025, the amended Annex D will read as follows:

**Annex D**  
**Fees and Charges**

**Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges**

<b>Kind of fee or charge</b>	<b>Amount (Singapore dollars)</b>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	2,350
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	2,350
Supplementary search fee (Rule 45 <i>bis</i> .3(a))	2,350
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	900
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	900
Protest fee (Rules 40.2(e) and 68.3(e))	[no change]
Review fee (Rule 45 <i>bis</i> .6(c))	[no change]
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 45 <i>bis</i> .7(c), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2), per document	[no change]

**Part II. [No change]**

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<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-sg.pdf>

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### SG Singapore

The **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Singapore dollars (SGD)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Searching Authority. These amounts, applicable from 1 September 2025, are as follows:

Search fee (PCT Rule 16.1(a)):	SGD 2,350
Additional search fee (PCT Rule 40.2(a)):	SGD 2,350

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **multiple currencies** have been established for the new search fee for an international search carried out by the **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore**. These amounts, all also applicable from 1 September 2025, are as follows:

Swiss francs (CHF)	1,458
Euros (EUR)	1,565
Japanese yen (JPY)	264,000
Won (KRW)	2,527,000
US dollars (USD)	1,849

[Updating of Annex D(SG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, the Office notified a new amount of the supplementary search fee (PCT Rule 45bis.3(a)) in **Singapore dollars (SGD)** for a supplementary international search carried out the by Office. This amount, also applicable from 1 September 2025, is SGD 2,350.

Pursuant to PCT Rule 45bis.3(b), an equivalent amount in **Swiss francs (CHF)** has been established for the new supplementary search fee for a supplementary international search carried out by the Office. This amount, also applicable from 1 September 2025, is CHF 1,458.

[Updating of Annex SISA(SG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

In addition, the Office notified new amounts of fees, in **Singapore dollars (SGD)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority. These amounts, also applicable from 1 September 2025, are as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 58.1(b)):	SGD	900
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Additional preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 68.3(a)):	SGD	900
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[Updating of Annex E(SG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis:**  
**NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)**

During its fifty-sixth (32<sup>nd</sup> extraordinary) session, held in Geneva from 9 to 17 July 2024, the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) adopted, among others, amendments to Rules 89bis.1 and 89bis.2 of the *Regulations under the PCT* allowing an Office, other than the International Bureau, to require international applications or subsequently-filed documents to be submitted in electronic form only, or to require that any document submitted on paper be resubmitted in electronic form within two months. These new Rules entered into force on 1 July 2025.

In particular, new Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) provides that: “A national Office or intergovernmental organization, other than the International Bureau, that has made a notification under paragraph (d) may notify the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means. The International Bureau shall publish a notification made under this paragraph in the Gazette.”

**BH Bahrain**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89bis.1(d-bis), the **Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 1 October 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(BH) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**IR Islamic Republic of Iran**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), the **Intellectual Property Center (Islamic Republic of Iran)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 1 October 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(IR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### LU Luxembourg

The **Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg)** has notified the International Bureau of the provisions of its national legislation concerning restrictions to the filing of international applications with foreign Offices.

Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Law of July 8, 1967, on the Disclosure and Exploitation of Inventions and Trade Secrets concerning Territorial Defence or State Security, if the applicant resides in Luxembourg and the international application concerns an invention which may be of interest for national defence, the application must be filed with the Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg).

[Updating of Annex B(LU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CL Chile

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 October 2025, are as follows:

Search fee: CHF 1,598, EUR 1,714

Reduced search fee for natural persons and legal entities: CHF 320, EUR 343 (where the international application is filed by an applicant, whether a natural person or a legal entity, who is a national of and a resident in any of the States that benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy this criterion.)

Reduced search fee for universities: CHF 240, EUR 257 (where the international application is filed by an applicant who 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.)

[Updating of Annex D(CL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



## PH Philippines

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines**. These amounts, applicable from 1 October 2025, are CHF 479 and EUR 514, or CHF 160 and EUR 171 where the applicant is a small entity.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex D(PH) of *the PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### LU Luxembourg

The **Intellectual Property Office (Luxembourg)** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office in its capacity as receiving Office - Any patent agent registered to practice in Luxembourg or any member of the Luxembourg Bar, as well as any patent agent registered and resident in a member State of the European Economic Area may now act as such.

[Updating of Annex C(LU) of *the PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### OM Oman

The **National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion) (Oman)** has specified the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) – in addition to the Australian Patent Office, the Austrian Patent Office, the Egyptian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, with effect since 21 July 2025, for international applications filed with the National Intellectual Property Office (Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Investment Promotion) (Oman) or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Oman.

[Updating of Annex C(OM) of *the PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> A small entity 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.

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### TR Türkiye

The **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)** has notified new amounts of several components of the national fee, in **new Turkish lira (TRY)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable since 1 January 2025, as follows:

Patent or utility models:

Filing fee:

For patents	TRY	13,460
For utility models	TRY	8,420

Fee for certificate of grant:	TRY	3,150
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Renewal fee for third year:

For patents	TRY	3,150
For utility models	TRY	2,710

Reinstatement of rights:	TRY	13,280
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[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (TR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)

During its fifty-sixth (32<sup>nd</sup> extraordinary) session, held in Geneva from 9 to 17 July 2024, the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) adopted, among others, amendments to Rules 89bis.1 and 89bis.2 of the *Regulations under the PCT* allowing an Office, other than the International Bureau, to require international applications or subsequently-filed documents to be submitted in electronic form only, or to require that any document submitted on paper be resubmitted in electronic form within two months. These new Rules entered into force on 1 July 2025.

In particular, new Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) provides that: “A national Office or intergovernmental organization, other than the International Bureau, that has made a notification under paragraph (d) may notify the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means. The International Bureau shall publish a notification made under this paragraph in the Gazette.”

**QA Qatar**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), the **Intellectual Property Department (Qatar)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 14 October 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(QA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### SA Saudi Arabia

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount in **euros (EUR)** has been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)**. This amount, applicable from 1 October 2025, is EUR 229.

[Updating of Annex D(SA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES, INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES, AUTHORITIES SPECIFIED FOR SUPPLEMENTARY SEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

### EP European Patent Organisation

Pursuant to PCT Rules 89bis.1(d) and 89bis.2, and in accordance with Sections 703(b), 710(b) and 713 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **European Patent Office (EPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau of a change to its notification published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 18 March 2021, pages 51 *et seq.* (as modified in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 3 June 2021, page 108, 30 June 2022, pages 165 *et seq.* 18 August 2022, page 225, 19 May 2023, pages 117 *et seq.*), and 5 December 2024, page 233).

In particular, as from 1 January 2026, the EPO will no longer provide for and thus accept the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications with the EPO using EPO Online Filing (OLF).

From 1 January 2026, the means available for filing international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form with the EPO will be: ePCT-Filing, EPO Online Filing 2.0 (with integrated ePCT-Filing) and the EPO Contingency Upload Service.

[Updating of Annexes B(EP), C(AT), C(DK), C(EP), C(ES), C(FI), C(GB), C(IS), C(LT), C(PL), C(PT), C(SE) and E(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### EP European Patent Organisation

In accordance with PCT Rule 16.1(d), a new equivalent amount of the search fee in **Japanese yen (JPY)** has been established for an international search carried out by the **European Patent Office (EPO)**. This amount, applicable from 1 October 2025, is JPY 317,600.

[Updating of Annex D(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### JP Japan

New equivalent amounts in **Japanese yen (JPY)** have been established for the international filing fee and the fee per sheet in excess of 30 (pursuant to PCT Rule 15.2(d)), for reductions under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees, as well as for the handling fee (pursuant to PCT Rule 57.2(d)). These new amounts, applicable from 1 October 2025, are as follows:

International filing fee:	JPY	242,700
Fee per sheet in excess of 30:	JPY	2,700
Reduction (under PCT Schedule of Fees, item 4):		
Electronic filing (the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format):	JPY	54,700
Handling fee:	JPY	36,500

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts of the search fee in **Swiss francs (CHF)** and in **euros (EUR)** have been established for an international search carried out by the **Japan Patent Office (JPO)**. These amounts, also applicable from 1 October 2025, are CHF 784 and EUR 831, respectively, for international applications filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3<sup>1</sup> and CHF 926 and EUR 982, respectively, for international applications filed in English or for which a translation into English has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.

[Updating of Annexes C(JP), D(JP) and E(JP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced for applications by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details on the eligibility, 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)

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## **MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS UNDER THE PCT**

### **NOTE PREPARED BY THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU**

Following consultation with Offices, Authorities, and certain non-governmental organizations representing users of the PCT system, pursuant to PCT Rule 89.2(b), modifications to the *Administrative Instructions under the PCT*, relating to the addition of Sections 116 and 521 and a new Annex H, were promulgated<sup>1</sup> with effect from 1 January 2026.

The main purpose of these modifications is to implement the amendments to Rules 34, 36 and 63 of the *Regulations under the PCT* in order to set out a revised definition of the minimum documentation that an International Searching Authority is required to consult during international search, along with changes to the minimum requirements that an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority needs to satisfy before it may be appointed and that it needs to continue to satisfy during its appointment.

The full text of the Administrative Instructions as in force from 1 January 2026 (PCT/AI/26) will be available on the WIPO website at:

[https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/texts/ai/ai\\_index](https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/texts/ai/ai_index)

### **TEXT OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS**

*(as in force from 1 January 2026)*

#### **Section 116**

##### **Minimum Documentation**

Patent documents made available under Rule 34.1(b)(i) for inclusion in the documentation referred to in Article 15(4) and utility model documents made available under Rule 34.1(c) shall comply with Part I of Annex H.

#### **Section 521**

##### **Minimum Documentation**

International Searching Authorities shall agree on the items of non-patent literature under Rule 34.1(b)(ii) for inclusion in the documentation referred to in Article 15(4) following the procedure in Part II of Annex H.

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<sup>1</sup> Refer to Circular C. PCT 1672, dated 19 June 2024.

## ANNEX H

### TECHNICAL AND ACCESSIBILITY REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURE FOR INCLUSION OF PATENT AND UTILITY MODEL DOCUMENTS AND NON-PATENT LITERATURE IN THE MINIMUM DOCUMENTATION

#### INTRODUCTION

1. This Annex sets out the technical and accessibility requirements and procedure for inclusion of patent and utility model documents and non-patent literature in the minimum documentation, as defined in Rule 34.1.

#### PART I

##### PATENT AND UTILITY MODEL DOCUMENTATION

2. In this part, “patent documents” and “utility model documents” are as defined in Rule 34.1(a) and Rule 34.1(c), respectively.

##### **Making Available of Documents and Use of Data**

3. Each Office or successor Office whose patent collection, and, where applicable, utility model collection, belongs to the minimum documentation shall set up one or more secure repositories in which its text-searchable minimum documentation data is stored in either WIPO Standard ST.36 or ST.96 format, or in plain text format, or any combination thereof. Upon request by an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, each said Office shall provide that International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority with all the relevant information and authorization details necessary to access this data, for example the links, passwords, etc., so that it can access the data for free in bulk format electronically, preferably via FTP, SFTP or Web Services. Each Office shall ensure that all published data is made available in the said repository or repositories preferably within one month after its publication date, and in any event, no later than two months. If an Office also provides a search interface to its data, it shall preferably also provide access to such a search interface for free.

4. Any patent and utility model data made available by an Office to the International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority within the context of paragraph 3 shall only be used by International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities for the purpose of conducting prior art search and related activities, including providing copies of cited documents to applicants and third parties. The International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority should also undertake to ensure the security of data of the providing Office to protect against unauthorized use or alteration; measures taken

may include appropriate administrative, technical, IT and physical security measures. In case the said data is used for other purposes without the express consent of the providing Office, the access to the data in bulk format may be blocked by the providing Office, which would in turn inform the International Bureau accordingly.

5. Paragraphs 3 and 4 neither prevent Offices from having bilateral or multilateral agreements with the Offices providing the patent data to use and transform this data, nor intends to replace any such existing bilateral or multilateral agreements.

6. Any Office whose patent collection and, where applicable, utility model collection belongs to the minimum documentation can delegate to an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, or the International Bureau, the task of granting access to its data in accordance with the provisions set out in paragraphs 3 and 4.

### **Authority File**

7. The structure and file format of the authority file provided by an Office under Rule 34.1(d)(iii) and the data elements contained in that authority file shall comply with WIPO Standard ST.37. An example of an authority file is provided in Appendix 1.

8. For each publication, the authority file provided by an Office shall contain the following data elements referred to in WIPO Standard ST.37:

- (a) two-letter alphabetic code of the Office publishing the document (publication authority);
- (b) publication number;
- (c) kind code of the patent document as used by the Office publishing the document (kind-of-document code);
- (d) publication date of the patent document; and
- (e) subject to paragraph 10, indication of whether the abstract, description and claims of a publication are text-searchable, through selection of one of the following codes:
  - (i) “N” - Not available
  - (ii) “U” - Unknown
  - (iii) two-letter language code(s) in which the searchable text is available, either in the original language or in the language of an official translation.

9. The Office shall provide the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(a) to 8(d) as of January 1, 2026 for each publication made by that Office or by its legal predecessor published on or after January 1, 1991.

10. With regard to the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(e), the Office shall provide indications:

- (a) from January 1, 2026, at least for each publication on or after that date; and
- (b) from January 1, 2036, at least for each publication or that of its legal predecessor on or after January 1, 1991.

11. Offices having documents available in text-searchable machine-readable form published between January 1, 1920 and December 31, 1990 shall preferably include, for these documents, the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(a) to 8(e).

12. An Office shall preferably provide a definition file in accordance with WIPO Standard ST.37 containing relevant publication exception codes that are present in its authority file and an overview of the scope of the document collections.

13. The International Bureau shall add any authority and definition files provided by an Office to the repository referred to in Rule 34.1(e) and shall make the repository available on the WIPO website. For each Office, the repository shall provide information on the date coverage of the authority file and information on dates and/or frequency of updates if provided to the International Bureau.

#### **Making Available Documents Belonging to the Minimum Documentation**

14. An Office shall make available in text-searchable machine-readable form in accordance with paragraph 17 any document published on or after January 1, 2026, in its patent or utility model collection.

15. As of January 1, 2036, an Office shall make available in text-searchable machine-readable form in accordance with paragraph 17 any document published on or after January 1, 1991 in its patent or utility model collection or that of a legal predecessor.

16. Where it is not mandatory to make a document available in text-searchable machine-readable form, an Office is recommended to make the document available in text-searchable machine-readable form in accordance with paragraph 17. Any document that is not made available in text searchable machine-readable form shall preferably be made available in electronic form in accordance with paragraph 18.

#### **Documents Made Available in Text-Searchable Machine-Readable Form**

17. For each document that is made available in text-searchable machine-readable form, an Office shall provide International Searching Authorities with access to at least the full text of the abstract, description and claims in either XML format in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.36 or ST.96, or in plain text format. An Office shall also provide access to any electronically available sequence listings in a document. Each document in plain text format must have an unambiguous identifier, preferably the publication number, or otherwise, the application number. The same conditions as already described in paragraphs 3 and 4 also apply here.

### **Documents Not Made Available in Text-Searchable Machine-Readable Form**

18. For each patent document or utility model document that is part of the minimum documentation but not made available in text-searchable machine-readable form, the Office or its legal successor shall provide International Searching Authorities, upon request, with access to a copy, preferably in electronic form. The copies of such documents shall preferably be in machine-readable electronic image format, e.g. PDF. For such documents, the code in the authority file for the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(e) should be “N” for elements that are not available in a text searchable format, or “U” for documents whose availability is unknown, or if the Office cannot easily provide an indication of such availability.

### **Optional Elements for Each Document in a Collection**

19. Each Office shall preferably provide, insofar as they are available in machine-readable format, the following data elements for each document in its collection, using the appropriate tags foreseen for them:

- (a) the application number of the document;
- (b) the application numbers and filing dates of any earlier applications from which the patent or application claims priority;
- (c) the IPC (International Patent Classification) symbols assigned to the document;
- (d) any classification symbols assigned to the document according to any other classification scheme, e.g. CPC classification symbols or FI/F-term symbols.

### **Use of Publication Exception Codes**

20. The authority file may optionally include the relevant publication exception code for any document in the collection of an Office for which the complete publication in machine-readable form is not available. If an authority file does not use publication exception codes, then for those documents that are not available in machine-readable format, the following applies:

- for documents that are not available in a text-searchable format, the code in the authority file for the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(e) should be “N”.
- for documents whose availability is unknown, or if the Office cannot easily provide an indication of such availability, the code in the authority file for the data elements referred to in paragraph 8(e) should be “U”.

21. Any publication exception codes included in the authority file shall be limited in the following ways:

- the code “P” shall not be used for patent documents published after January 1, 2026;
- the code “X” shall not be used for patent documents published after January 1, 2026, to indicate that a document is not available in machine-readable form; and
- as long as their use does not contravene the two immediately preceding bullet points above, an Office using specific customized codes before January 1, 2026, may only continue to use those codes if it properly identifies the place where the definition of those codes is made freely available.

### **Notification to the International Bureau and Validation of Collections**

22. The notification to the International Bureau under Rule 34.1(d)(i) shall specify the date as of which the patent documents and, where applicable, the utility model documents are available in accordance with the requirements set out in this Annex. Each Office shall provide access to its documents made available in text-searchable machine-readable form as described in paragraph 3, as well as provide a link to its authority file and any definition file.

23. The International Bureau shall conduct the validations under Rule 34.1(e) as soon as possible after receipt of a notification under Rule 34.1(d)(i). The date from which the patent and utility model documents notified under Rule 34.1(d)(i) will become part of the minimum documentation shall be at least two months later than the date of publication in the Gazette of the details of the patent and utility model documents concerned.

## **PART II**

### **NON-PATENT LITERATURE**

#### **Evaluation of Non-Patent Literature for Inclusion in the Minimum Documentation**

24. Part II sets out the process for International Searching Authorities to review the list of items of non-patent literature referred to in Rule 34.1(b)(ii) (“the list”) with a view to verify that items continue to meet the criteria for inclusion and to consider resources for addition to the list.

#### **Criteria for Inclusion**

25. An item must be represented by an individual title.

26. An item must be available electronically:

- (a) to International Searching Authorities in at least one digital format that is readily available and acceptable to all Authorities, and

(b) to the public, online, for a reasonable commercial fee, as part of a personal or institutional subscription, or at no cost.

27. An item must be full text and accessible through an institutionally available search interface. Preferably, an item should also be available in a text-coded format that would allow it to be incorporated into a search interface. Full text, for the purpose of non-patent literature, is defined as an electronic resource that provides the entire text or content of a single work; not necessarily in a text-searchable machine-readable form.

28. Resources whose only electronic availability is as part of a subscription (“subscription-based resources”) must be institutionally accessible to be eligible for inclusion as an item; email subscription resources, or other personal use subscription resources, are not eligible for consideration. “Institutionally accessible” is defined as a resource that can be subscribed to or purchased by a single institution, with terms of use and search functionality applicable to all authorized users of the institution.

29. An item must provide terms of use that allow for copies of cited documents to be distributed to applicants as part of the international search and preliminary examination procedure, and to designated or elected Offices (DO/EO) upon request under Article 20(3) and Rule 44.3.

### **Updating the List of Minimum Documentation**

30. A Task Force comprising representatives of International Searching Authorities (“the Task Force”) shall perform the review referred to in paragraph 24 and report on a regular basis to the International Searching Authorities. In that context, the Task Force shall convene a meeting every five years to undertake a comprehensive review of the list of items and any recommended resources based on the criteria in paragraph 34. International Searching Authorities shall agree on the International Searching Authority responsible for convening and organizing that meeting of the Task Force at least six months before the meeting.

31. Any International Searching Authority may recommend a resource that meets the criteria in paragraphs 25 to 29 for inclusion in the list by submitting a proposal to the Task Force at least four months before the meeting. The proposal shall include an explanation to show that the resource meets the criteria and may include information to accompany the recommendation such as details of usage of the resource, the need to include the subject matter of the resource in the minimum documentation, the value of the resource to search examiners, the impact factor of a journal resource, etc. The International Searching Authority shall provide the Task Force with any further information relevant to the recommendation if requested by any member of the Task Force.

32. The Task Force will not consider a resource that does not meet the criteria in paragraphs 25 to 29 for inclusion in the list.

33. Prior to the meeting, any International Searching Authority may comment on the suitability of a recommended resource for inclusion on the list, such as providing further information on the usage of the resource, its contribution to the minimum documentation, and the impact of adding the resource on the list such as costs of obtaining access to the resource.

34. The Task Force shall evaluate the recommended resources for inclusion against the following:

- (a) the criteria in paragraphs 25 to 29;
- (b) international search report citation metrics from the preceding three years;
- (c) other evidence that demonstrates the value of a resource to an examiner performing international search and preliminary examination such as usage and examiner input;
- (d) subject matter of the resource, with a view to the list constituting a balanced representation of subject matter across all sections of the International Patent Classification scheme; and
- (e) cost of subscription or access to the resource.

35. The Task Force shall verify that existing items on the list continue to meet the inclusion criteria in paragraphs 25 to 29 and identify any items that have been discontinued.

36. Following the meeting referred to in paragraph 30, the Task Force shall submit a revised list to the International Searching Authorities for them to agree upon as the updated list under Rule 34.1(b)(ii). The revised list shall include any items recommended by the Task Force for addition to the list after the evaluation under paragraph 34 and all items that have been verified under paragraph 35 as continuing to meet the inclusion criteria and are either current or discontinued.

37. Notwithstanding the process in paragraphs 31 to 34, an International Searching Authority may share resources with the Task Force that are not on the list but could be useful for examiners to consult during international search. International Searching Authorities are also encouraged to ask questions or share any information and experiences that may contribute to enhancing the use of the minimum documentation during international search.

38. The International Bureau shall provide a mechanism for the public to suggest resources to consult during international search that are not on the list. The International Bureau shall share any such suggestion with the Task Force and ask the volunteer International Searching Authority, referred to in paragraph 41, to assess it. If it believes that the conditions are met, the volunteer International Searching Authority may recommend the resource to the Task Force for consideration in accordance with paragraphs 31 to 34.



### **Traditional Knowledge Non-Patent Literature**

39. The present set of criteria applies to all sources of non-patent literature prior art, including Traditional Knowledge resources. Therefore, Offices recommending their Traditional Knowledge as part of the minimum documentation must comply with the present criteria. However, if, in the future, the Intergovernmental Committee on Intellectual Property and Genetic Resources, Traditional Knowledge and Folklore and other relevant bodies within WIPO decide that Traditional Knowledge prior art should be treated differently than other non-patent literature prior art, then the Task Force shall meet to discuss additional criteria that are specifically directed to Traditional Knowledge resources in line with any new understanding on the treatment of such prior art.

### **Annual Review of List**

40. The Task Force shall establish a schedule of volunteer International Searching Authorities to conduct an annual review of the list on a rotational basis for obsolete and discontinued resources, as well as metadata updates.

41. The volunteer International Searching Authority conducting the annual review shall verify the list for any discontinued or obsolete items and update any metadata from the list. This Authority shall share the findings from this review with the Task Force and provide the International Bureau with any updates that are required to the list, including removal of discontinued or obsolete items.

### **Access to Items on List**

42. International Searching Authorities are required, at a minimum, to maintain full text access to the most recent five years of content calculated from the current date in the case of periodicals. When an item is added to the list, International Searching Authorities are required to obtain access to the item within two years from the date that the item is added.

43. An International Searching Authority may report to the volunteer International Searching Authority conducting the annual review under paragraph 41 at any time if it considers that an item on the list no longer meets the inclusion criteria in paragraphs 25 to 29, and inform the Task Force accordingly.

## Appendix 1:

### Example of an Authority File

	Country Code	Publication Number	Kind Code	Publication Date	Exception Code (Value Optional)	Text-searchable Abstract as officially published Available? (Language codes/N/U)	Text-searchable Description Available? (Language codes/N/U)	Text-searchable Claims Available? (Language codes/N/U)
1	EP	0000001	A1	19781220		de	de	de
2	EP	0012493			U	U	U	U
3	EP	0216086	A2	19870401	M	de	de	de
4	EP	0272830	A2	19880629	M	en	en	en
5	EP	0394856	A1	19901031		de,en	de	de
6	EP	0394856	B1	19970604		en	de	de,en,fr
7								
8	CA	2787765	A1	20140222		en,fr	en	en
9								
10	CH	710284	A1	20160429		de	de	de
11	CH	711700	A2	20170428		it	it	it
12								
13	FI	101368	B	19980615		fi,sv	fi	fi
14	FI	20165833	L	20180508		fi,en	N	N
15								
16	WO	2010037978	A2	20100408		en,fr	fr	fr
17	WO	2021073392	A1	20210422		en,fr,zh	zh	zh

Table 1

Table 1 above sets out examples of the data that should be included in an authority file. The data should be passed in either an XML or CSV file in accordance with the version of WIPO Standard ST.37 in force.<sup>2</sup>

The text below is a Version 2.2 ST.37 authority file, produced by an International Searching Authority or those Offices wishing their publications to be included in the minimum documentation set, represented using a TXT structure where the data elements are separated by a comma. It represents the data in Table 1 shown above. In the case of the data from the final three columns, the relevant codes (language code, U or N) should be appended to the code for the relevant application part type (ABST-, DESC- or CLMS-). If there are multiple languages available for these elements, the language indicators must be separated by spaces:

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<sup>2</sup> Version 2.2 at the time of publication.

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WO,2021073392,A1,20210422,,ABST-en ABST-fr ABST-zh,DESC-zh,CLMS-zh<CRLF>

## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### BG Bulgaria

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4) – since 20 October 2023, the original of a document must be furnished within 14 days of the date of its transmission, instead of one month.

[Updating of Annex B(BG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### **BG Bulgaria**

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office in its capacity as receiving Office effective since 27 October 2020 – An agent is not required by the Office if the applicant resides in Bulgaria, in another member State of the European Union, in another State party to the Agreement on the European Economic Area, or in Switzerland.

[Updating of Annex C(BG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### PH Philippines

The **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines** has notified the International Bureau that, due to inclement weather conditions, it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Monday, 1 September 2025.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5(i), if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on the aforementioned day, that period expired on the next working day, Tuesday, 2 September 2025.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml?lang=en>

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### SK Slovakia

The **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office and applicable since 1 July 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	EUR	45 (online filings)
	EUR	90 (paper filings)

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	EUR	210
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[Updating of Annex C(SK) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## AVAILABILITY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS FROM DIGITAL LIBRARIES: NOTIFICATIONS BY PARTICIPATING OFFICES AND AUTHORITIES

Under the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (“DAS”) established by the International Bureau, any Office or Authority having the adequate legal and technical requirements in place is able to participate in DAS, either as an Office of first filing (“depositing Office”) or as an Office of second filing (“accessing Office”), or both, in order to facilitate access to priority documents (PCT Rule 17). Notifications made under paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents* are published by the International Bureau at:

<https://www.wipo.int/web/das/participating-offices/search>

### UY Uruguay

In accordance with paragraphs 10 and 12 of the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents*, the **National Directorate of Industrial Property (DNPI) (Uruguay)** has notified the International Bureau of its participation in DAS, both as a depositing and as an accessing Office, with effect from 15 September 2025.<sup>1</sup>

[Updating of Annex B(UY) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis: NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)

### BH Bahrain – Corrigendum

The information published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 31 July 2025 (page 125) concerning the notification made under PCT Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) by the **Directorate of Foreign Trade & Industrial Property, National Patent Office (Bahrain)** should be disregarded.

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<sup>1</sup> For details, refer to: <https://www.wipo.int/en/web/das/participating-offices/search-details?territoryId=180>

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**FI Finland**

Pursuant to PCT Rules 89*bis*.1(d) and 89*bis*.2, and in accordance with Sections 703(b), 710(b) and 713 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau of changes to its notification published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 22 September 2022, pages 256 *et seq.*

The Office notified changes to the applicable electronic filing software, methods of online payment, details concerning its help desk and certification authorities accepted by the Office.

Consequently, with effect from 1 October 2025, the following notification replaces the notification published in the aforementioned issue of the Official Notices (PCT Gazette):

**As to electronic document formats (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- XML (in general; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.1)
- WIPO Standard ST.26 XML (for sequence listings; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.4, and Annex C)
- PDF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.2)
- TIFF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.3.1)

**As to means of transmittal (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- online filing (see Annex F, section 5 and Appendix III, section 2(d))

**As to electronic document packaging (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- WASP (Wrapped and Signed Package; see Annex F, section 4.2.1)

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT-Filing
- PRH Patent Service

**As to types of electronic signature (Section 710(a)(i)):**

– the international application must be signed by means of a basic electronic signature (text string or facsimile) or by means of an enhanced electronic signature (see Annex F, section 3.3)

**As to conditions, rules and procedures relating to electronic receipt (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

The acknowledgement of receipt of any purported international application filed in electronic form with the Office contains, in addition to the mandatory information required under Section 704(a)(i) to (iv), the names of the electronic files received (see Section 704(a)(v)).

The Office will make every effort to accept an international application in electronic form. It is only if the application is not sent in accordance with the E-filing interoperability protocol (see Annex F, section 5.1), or if outdated certificates have been used, that a notification of receipt will not be generated. Other errors, such as applications being infected by viruses or other forms of malicious logic, are notified to the applicant in the acknowledgement of receipt.

Where it transpires that an acknowledgement of receipt transmitted to the applicant by electronic means was not successfully transmitted, the Office will promptly retransmit the notification of receipt by the same or another means (see Section 709(b)).

**As to methods of online payment (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

No online payment is available. The following means of deferred payment are accepted: payment by debit card or by bank transfer or by PRH Patent Payment Service.

**As to details concerning help desks (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

Within the framework of its service for the electronic filing of patents, the Office has put in place a help desk for applicants.

The task of this help desk is to answer questions from users of the service for the electronic filing of patents, and in particular to serve as a technical hotline in order to help applicants whenever bugs and other technical problems relating to the software and/or server are encountered.

This help desk is open from Monday to Friday, from 9.00 a.m. until 3.00 p.m.

The PRH patent help desk may be contacted as follows:

- by telephone at: (358-0) 29509 5858
- by web form (in Finnish) at the following address:  
<https://www.prh.fi/en/intellectualpropertyrights/patentit/theabcofpatenting/patentadvisoryservice.html>
- further information:  
<https://www.prh.fi/en/intellectualpropertyrights/patentit.html>

**As to the kinds of documents which may be transmitted to the Office in electronic form (Section 710(a)(iii)):**

- international applications
- subsequently-filed documents for international applications, to the extent supported by the relevant software.

**As to the filing of documents in pre-conversion format (Section 710(a)(iv)):**

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

**As to procedures for notification of applicants and procedures which applicants may follow as alternatives when the electronic systems of the Office are not available (Section 710(a)(v)):**

In case of failure of the electronic systems when an international application is filed with it, the Office will use all means available to inform the applicant of alternative filing procedures.

The Office will provide on its website ([www.prh.fi](http://www.prh.fi)) information concerning possible interruptions in electronic filing services.

**As to the certification authorities that are accepted by the Office and the electronic addresses of the certificate policies under which certificates are issued (Section 710(a)(vi)):**

PRH Patent Service:

- Suomi.fi e-Identification (strong identification service which enables you to log into the electronic services of public administration in Finland. The service is developed by the Digital and Population Data Services Agency. The service supports the following authentication methods: personal online banking codes, a mobile certificate or a certificate card, and eIDAS or Finnish Authenticator application for foreigners: <https://www.suomi.fi/instructions-and-support/identification/what-is-suomifi-e-identification>)
- PRH-ID service is two factor authentication service. (Identify yourself using a user ID issued by PRH).

ePCT-Filing:

- WIPO customer certificate issued by the WIPO Customer CA (for the certificate policy, see <https://www.wipo.int/pct-eservices/en/certificates.html>)

**As to the procedures relating to access to the files of international applications filed or stored in electronic form (Section 710(a)(vii)):**

ePCT private services provide access to files of international applications to the extent that they are available at the International Bureau.

[Updating of Annex C(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**FILING, PROCESSING AND COMMUNICATION OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS IN ELECTRONIC FORM OR BY ELECTRONIC MEANS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis:  
NOTIFICATIONS BY OFFICES UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d-bis)**

During its fifty-sixth (32<sup>nd</sup> extraordinary) session, held in Geneva from 9 to 17 July 2024, the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) adopted, among others, amendments to Rules 89bis.1 and 89bis.2 of the *Regulations under the PCT* allowing an Office, other than the International Bureau, to require international applications or subsequently-filed documents to be submitted in electronic form only, or to require that any document submitted on paper be resubmitted in electronic form within two months. These new Rules entered into force on 1 July 2025.

In particular, new Rule 89bis.1(d-bis) provides that: “A national Office or intergovernmental organization, other than the International Bureau, that has made a notification under paragraph (d) may notify the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means. The International Bureau shall publish a notification made under this paragraph in the Gazette.”

**MX Mexico**

In accordance with PCT Rule 89bis.1(d-bis), the **Mexican Institute of Industrial Property**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it will only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means, as of 18 November 2025.

[Updating of Annex C(MX) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

### BR Brazil

#### Agreement between the Brazilian National Institute of Industrial Property and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendment to Annex D

Following notification by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** that, in accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), and in its capacities as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, the Office would only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means (refer to the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* of 3 July 2025, page 105), the Office has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments, which consist in the deletion of the amounts of fees and charges as well as modifications to footnotes relating to the processing of international applications and related subsequently-filed documents filed on paper, entered into force on 3 September 2025.

With effect since 3 September 2025, the amended Annex D read as follows:

#### **Annex D** **Fees and Charges**

##### **Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges**

<b>Kind of fee or charge<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Amount (Brazilian reals)</b>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	2,510
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	2,010
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	930
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	540
Late payment fee for preliminary examination	amount as set out in Rule 58 <i>bis</i> .2
Protest fee (Rules 40.2(e) and 68.3(e))	1,810
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rule 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c) and 13 <i>ter</i> .2)	260
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2), per page	0

##### **Part II. [No change]**

<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at: <https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-br.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> These fees are reduced by 50% under certain conditions (refer to Official Ordinance of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 10/25 of 9 May 2025).

## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### PH Philippines

The **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines** has notified the International Bureau that, due to inclement weather conditions, it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Monday, 22 September 2025.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5(i), if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on the aforementioned day, that period expired on the next working day, Tuesday, 23 September 2025.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml?lang=en>

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### BG Bulgaria

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria** has notified the International Bureau that, in addition to **Bulgarian leva (BGN)**, the Office will accept payment of the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14) in **euros (EUR)**. The amount, applicable from 1 January 2026, will be EUR 40.90.

[Updating of Annex C(BG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### BR Brazil

Following notification by the **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** that, in accordance with PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d-*bis*), and in its capacities as receiving Office, International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority, the Office would only receive international applications and related subsequently-filed documents if they are filed in electronic form or by electronic means (refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 3 July 2025, page 105), the Office has notified the International Bureau that, with effect since 3 September 2025, it no longer sets amounts of fees and charges for international applications and related subsequently-filed documents filed on paper.

[Updating of Annexes D and E(BR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## IS Iceland

The **Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26*bis*.3(d)), in **Icelandic kronor (ISK)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. This amount, applicable since 15 February 2025, is ISK 50,000.

[Updating of Annex C(IS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## PT Portugal

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office and applicable since 1 July 2025, as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	EUR	12.57	(online)
	EUR	25.14	(on paper)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	EUR	18.86	(electronic copy)
	EUR	50.26	(paper copy)
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26 <i>bis</i> .3(d)):	EUR	188.48	(request filed online)
	EUR	376.96	(request filed on paper)

[Updating of Annex C(PT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### BG Bulgaria

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria** has notified the International Bureau that, with effect from 1 January 2026, in addition to **Bulgarian leva (BGN)**, the Office will accept payment of components of the national fee in **euros (EUR)** payable to it as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

For a patent:

Filing fee: <sup>3</sup>	EUR	20.45
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Publication fee:	EUR	35.79
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For a utility model:

Filing fee: <sup>3</sup>	EUR	20.45
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[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (BG), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### IS Iceland

The **Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for reinstatement of rights (PCT Rule 49.6), in **Icelandic kronor (ISK)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. This amount, applicable since 15 February 2025, is ISK 50,000.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (IS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### MX Mexico

The **Mexican Institute of Industrial Property** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to whether a copy of the international application is required upon entry into the national phase – a copy of the international application has to be provided to the Office within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1) and the translation may be filed within two months from the expiration of that time limit. The required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase must be furnished.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (MX) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>3</sup> This fee must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

## PT Portugal

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Portugal)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of the national filing fees, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. These amounts, applicable since 1 July 2025, are as follows:

National fee:<sup>4</sup>

For a patent:

Filing fee: <sup>5</sup>	EUR	125.66	(online)
	EUR	251.32	(on paper)

For a utility model:

Filing fee: <sup>6</sup>	EUR	219.91	(online)
	EUR	439.82	(on paper)

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (PT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>4</sup> If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the applicant may still pay the fee within one month from the expiration of the applicable time limit, subject to the payment of a surcharge equal to 50% of the filing fee.

<sup>5</sup> Includes publication and examination.

<sup>6</sup> This fee must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

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### KR Republic of Korea

The **Korean Intellectual Property Office** (KIPO) has notified the International Bureau of a change to the name of the Office, which is now as follows:

Name of Office:	Ministry of Intellectual Property (MOIP) (Republic of Korea)
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[Updating of Annex B(KR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### NO Norway

The **Norwegian Industrial Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of a change in its location, which is now as follows:

Location address:	Innspurten 11C 0663 Oslo Norway
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[Updating of Annex B(NO) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### PH Philippines

The **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines** has notified the International Bureau that, due to inclement weather conditions, it was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on Friday, 26 September 2025.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5(i), if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on the aforementioned day, that period expired on the next working day, Monday, 29 September 2025.

Additional information concerning closed dates, as furnished to the International Bureau by the Office, is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml?lang=en>

**FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES, INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES, AUTHORITIES SPECIFIED FOR SUPPLEMENTARY SEARCH AND INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES**

**SE Sweden**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d), and in accordance with Sections 703(a), 710(b) and 713(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)**, in its capacities as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority Specified for Supplementary Search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified changes to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 31 May 2018 (pages 244 *et seq.*).

In particular, the Office notified that, since 11 September 2025, it accepts the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using Online Filing SE, and that, from 11 December 2025, it will no longer accept the filing of these documents via EPO Online Filing (eOLF).

[Updating of Annex C(SE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### AU Australia

The **Australian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau of a change to one of its telephone numbers, which are now as follows:

Telephone: 1300 65 10 10 (local)  
(61-2) 6283 2999 (international)

[Updating of Annex B1(AU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CO Colombia

The **Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of the transmittal fee, in **Colombian pesos (COP)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. These new amounts, applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):

- electronic filing: COP 360,000
- paper filing: COP 476,500

[Updating of Annex C(CO) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### EA Eurasian Patent Organization

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 December 2025, are EUR 93 for searches carried out in Russian, and EUR 412 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(EA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RU Russian Federation

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **euros (EUR)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)**. These amounts, applicable from 1 December 2025, are EUR 93 for searches carried out in Russian, and EUR 464 for searches carried out in English.

[Updating of Annex D(RU) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### CN China

Further to the notifications published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 29 October 2020 (page 223), 6 October 2022 (page 276) and 26 October 2023 (page 194), the **China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)** has notified the International Bureau of a further extension of a pilot project between the CNIPA and the European Patent Office (EPO).

Under the aforementioned pilot project, the EPO was specified as competent International Searching Authority (ISA) and International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA) for international applications filed by nationals and residents of China, in English, with the CNIPA or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau, from 1 December 2020 until 30 November 2022, followed by a one-year extension from 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023, then a three-year extension from 1 December 2023 to 30 November 2026.

Pursuant to the agreement between the CNIPA and the EPO, the pilot project will now be extended for another five years, from 1 December 2026 to 30 November 2031, for a maximum of 3,000 international applications per year.

Applicants participating in the pilot, whose international search is performed by the EPO as ISA, may still file a demand for international preliminary examination with the EPO, in its capacity as IPEA.

For additional details, refer to:

<https://www.epo.org/en/news-events/news/epo-and-cnipa-extend-pct-isa-pilot-until-2031> (in English); and

[https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2025/9/24/art\\_53\\_201732.html](https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2025/9/24/art_53_201732.html) (in Chinese).

[Updating of Annex C(CN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]



## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### CO Colombia

The **Superintendence of Industry and Commerce (Colombia)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of several components of the national fee,<sup>1</sup> in **Colombian pesos (COP)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. These new amounts, applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows:

For a patent:	Online	On paper
Filing fee:	COP 118,000	COP 146,000
Annual fees:		
for the 1 <sup>st</sup> to the 4 <sup>th</sup> year, per year:	COP 388,500 (578,500) <sup>2</sup>	COP 466,500 (693,000)
For a utility model:		
– Filing fee:	COP 104,500	COP 128,500

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (CO) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES

### GB United Kingdom

Pursuant to PCT Rules 89bis.1(d) and 89bis.2, and in accordance with Sections 703(a), 710(b) and 713(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Intellectual Property Office<sup>3</sup> (United Kingdom)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified changes to its notification published in PCT Gazette No. 32/2004 of 5 August 2004 (pages 18092 *et seq.*), as modified in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 9 September 2011 (pages 124 *et seq.*), 28 April 2022 (page 103) and 4 August 2022 (page 206).

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<sup>1</sup> Must be furnished or paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1). The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable fee amount.

<sup>2</sup> The amount in parentheses is applicable in case of late payment within a grace period of six months from the due date.

<sup>3</sup> Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

In particular, as from 1 January 2026, the Office will no longer accept the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using EPO Online Filing (eOLF). From 1 January 2026, the Office is prepared to accept international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT Filing.

[Updating of Annex C(GB) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### RO Romania

The **State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (Romania)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **new lei (RON)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. These amounts, applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows.

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	RON	508	
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	RON	102	plus copying costs
[Updating of Annex C(RO) of the <i>PCT Applicant's Guide</i> ]			

### RS Serbia

The **Intellectual Property Office (Serbia)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **Serbian dinars (RSD)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These new amounts, applicable since 1 July 2025, are as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14): <sup>1</sup>	RSD	10,320	
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)): <sup>1</sup>	RSD	2,480	for the first document up to 10 pages
	plus RSD	610	for each subsequent document up to 10 pages
	plus RSD	30	per page in excess of 10 pages
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)): <sup>1</sup>	RSD	4,150	

[Updating of Annex C(RS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### SK Slovakia

The **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning the number of copies of an international application required by it if the application is filed on paper – applicable since 1 July 2025, one copy must now be filed, instead of three.

[Updating of Annex C(SK) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### RS Serbia

The **Intellectual Property Office (Serbia)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of various components of its national fee, in **Serbian dinars (RSD)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. These new amounts, applicable since 1 July 2025, are as follows (the fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person):

Fee for reinstatement of rights:	RSD 5,160
For patent:	
Filing fee:	RSD 10,320
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	RSD 1,010
Examination fee:	RSD 10,320
Annual fee for the first three years:	RSD 14,470
For petty patent:	
Filing fee:	RSD 10,320

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (RS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## SK Slovakia

The **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of various components of its national fee, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. These new amounts, applicable since 1 July 2025, are as follows (national fees must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), or if not paid within that time limit, within 15 days from the receipt of an invitation to pay the filing fee):

For patent:

Filing fee:

- where the application is filed  
by an inventor or co-inventors: EUR 50
- where the application is filed by  
an applicant other than the inventor  
or by applicants other than  
the co-inventors: EUR 100

For utility model:

Filing fee:

- where the application is filed  
by an inventor or co-inventors: EUR 60
- where the application is filed by  
an applicant other than the inventor  
or by applicants other than  
the co-inventors: EUR 120

The Office also notified changes to the conditions for exemption, reduction or refund of the national fee, applicable since 1 July 2025: the national filing fee is now reduced by 50% where the application is filed by electronic means, however, the fee shall be reduced by a maximum of EUR 50.

In addition, the Office notified changes to its special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* (Certain National Requirements Allowed under Article 27) – applicable since 1 September 2025, for the translation of the international application for a patent, or for a utility model, one copy must now be filed, instead of three.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SK) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS BY RECEIVING OFFICES**

### **DK Denmark**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Danish Patent and Trademark Office**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 7 July 2016 (pages 157 *et seq.*).

In particular, as from 31 December 2025, the Office will decommission EPO Online Filing (eOLF) as an electronic filing software at the Office. From 1 January 2026, the Office is prepared to accept international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

#### **As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

– ePCT Filing

[Updating of Annex C(DK) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### **IB International Bureau of WIPO**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **International Bureau of WIPO**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 11 February 2021 (pages 23 *et seq.*).

In particular, as from 1 January 2026, the Office will no longer accept the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using EPO Online Filing (eOLF). The Office is prepared to accept international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

#### **As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

– ePCT Filing

[Updating of Annex C(IB) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### **IS Iceland**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 10 December 2015 (pages 203 *et seq.*).



In particular, since 1 January 2024, the Office no longer accepts the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using EPO Online Filing (eOLF). The Office accepts international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

– ePCT Filing

[Updating of Annex C(IS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**PATENT AND UTILITY MODEL DOCUMENTS FORMING PART OF THE MINIMUM DOCUMENTATION**

Amended PCT Rule 34.1(e)<sup>2</sup>, adopted by the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) at its Fifty-Fifth (24th Ordinary) Session held from 6 to 14 July 2023, **with effect from 1 January 2026**, requires the International Bureau to validate the availability of the patent and utility model documents notified in accordance with PCT Rule 34.1(d)<sup>2</sup>, and to publish in the Gazette details of the documents concerned and the date from which they will become a part of the minimum documentation.

The following Offices have made notifications under PCT Rule 34.1(d) and the International Bureau has validated the availability of the documents so notified. Consequently, with effect from 1 January 2026, those patent documents listed below that were published after 1 January 1920 will form part of the minimum documentation. In accordance with PCT Rule 34.1(c), the International Searching Authorities should also preferably consult the utility model documents referred to below.

**AT Austria**

The **Austrian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>3</sup>.

Type of document	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
	From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>2</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 30 November 2023, p. 223 *et seq.*

<sup>3</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p.137 *et seq.*

Utility model issued	01/01/2006		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	15/10/2005		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	10/07/1899	27/06/1994	Paper	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	10/07/1899		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	15/10/2005		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	27/12/1994		Paper	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	25/07/1994		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Utility model issued	15/10/2005		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## AU Australia

The **Australian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>4</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1, A2, A4, A5, A6, A8, A9, C1, C8, C9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>4</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B4, B8, B9, C1, C4, C8, C9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	Bn*, Cn*	01/01/1904	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	An*, Cn*	01/01/1904	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

\*Note: “n” stands for a single digit number (for example: A0, B0, A1, B1, B2) because ST.16 publication codes for Australian patent publications have changed over the century.

## BR Brazil

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>5</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>5</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published application for national or regional patent	E2	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	E2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	F1	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	F1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U2	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	01/12/2025		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## CA Canada

The **Canadian Intellectual Property Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>6</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	A, B, C, E, F	01/01/1869		Full text (ST.36, ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>6</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/1869		Full text (ST.36, ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	A, B, C, E, F	01/01/1920		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/1920		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## CH Switzerland

The **Swiss Federal Institute of Intellectual Property** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>7</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B8	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>7</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	C1	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C2	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C3	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C9	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	H1	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	H2	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	H3	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	H9	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A3	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A8	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

Published application for national or regional patent	A9	01/07/2008		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	A5	01/01/1978	31/07/2008	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	B5	01/01/1978	31/07/2008	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A3	01/01/1978	30/06/2008	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	A	01/01/1888	14/02/1975	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A4	01/01/1962	31/12/1977	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	A5	15/02/1975	31/12/1977	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	B	31/07/1962	14/02/1975	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office
Published national or regional patent	E	01/01/1889	31/01/1907	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by another Office

The publications hosted by another office are all hosted by the EPO.

## CL Chile

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>8</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/1991	30/11/2005	Paper	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/12/2005	31/12/2008	PDF (Image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2009	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2026	31/12/2100	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/1991	30/11/2005	Paper	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y1	01/12/2005	31/12/2008	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/2009	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/2026	31/12/2100	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>8</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*



## CN China

The **China national Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>9</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A8, A9	10/09/1985		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B, B8, B9	10/09/1985	30/12/1992	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B, B8, B9	07/04/2010		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C, C8, C9	06/01/1993	31/03/2010	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## CZ Czechia

The **Industrial Property Office of the Czech Republic** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>10</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B6	01/01/1973		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>9</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>10</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B6	10/04/1905	01/01/1973	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A3	31/12/1979		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U	25/11/1992		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

Correction documents issued for above mentioned (kind codes A8, A9, B8, B9, U8 and U9) compliant with ST.50 are also available.

For documents of kind code B6 published between 10/04/1905 and 01/01/1973 bibliographic data in ST.96 is available (no searchable full text included).

## DE Germany

The **German Patent and Trade Mark Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>11</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B, C	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B, C	01/01/1920	31/12/1990	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request

<sup>11</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/1920	31/12/1990	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	U	01/01/1920	31/12/1990	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request

The documents between 01/01/1920 and 31/12/1990 may not be available in the indicated format in every single case. They will, within the framework of para 18 Annex H, be made available on request to the extent they are actually available.

## DK Denmark

The **Danish Patent and Trademark Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>12</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B	03/01/1972	26/07/1993	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	17/05/1993		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/11/1991		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>12</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p.137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B3	09/07/2001		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B4	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B4	22/01/2020		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	10/02/2014		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C	08/07/1895	08/11/1997	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U1	22/02/2013		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U3	28/08/1998		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U4	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U4	13/02/1998		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

Utility model issued	U9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U9	10/03/2017		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y3	25/10/2013		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y4	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y4	09/11/1998		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y6	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y6	10/12/1999		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Z6	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Z6	23/07/1999		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## EA Eurasian Patent Organization

The **Eurasian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>13</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	30/12/1996	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)*	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/07/1996	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)*	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	31/03/1997		Full text (ST.36)**	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	24/02/2006		Full text (ST.36)**	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B3	28/02/2018		Full text (ST.36)**	Online repository hosted by this Office

\*Also available as Full text (ST.96)

\*\*Also available as Full text (ST.96) for publication dates 01/09/2025 - onwards

<sup>13</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

## EP European Patent Organisation

The **European Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>14</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	20/12/1978		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	20/12/1978		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	20/12/1978		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	20/12/1978		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A9	13/03/2002		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A9	13/03/2002		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	07/01/1981		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	07/01/1981		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	21/11/1984		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>14</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B2	21/11/1984		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B3	28/04/2010		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B3	28/04/2010		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	28/05/2003		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	28/05/2003		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## ES Spain

The **Spanish Patent and Trademark Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>15</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1, A2, A6, A8, A9 R1, R2, R8, R9	01/06/1987		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B4, B5, B8, B9			Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U	01/06/1987		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>15</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*



Utility model issued	Y <sup>(1)</sup> , Y1, Y2, Y8 and Y9	01/06/1987		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1, A2, A3 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/01/1930	31/05/1987	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	A1, A2, A3 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/01/1930	31/05/1987	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U	16/10/1929	31/05/1987	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y <sup>(1)</sup>	16/10/1929	31/05/1987	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/01/1920	31/12/1929	Paper	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	A1 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/01/1920	31/12/1929	Paper	Collections available on request

<sup>(1)</sup> Issued Utility Models with kind code Y do not have a separated publication from the U first publication.

<sup>(2)</sup> First and only level of publication.

## FI Finland

The **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>16</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/2024		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2024		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U1	01/01/2024		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/2024		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/09/2018	31/12/2023	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	A, B, C	01/01/1920	31/12/2023	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	U1, Y1	01/01/1992	31/12/2023	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request

<sup>16</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

## GB United Kingdom

The **Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>17</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A8, A9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A8, A9	04/01/1979	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.36)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A8, A9	01/01/1920		PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B, B8	06/01/1982		PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	C, C2, C3	06/01/1982		PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request

## HU Hungary

The **Hungarian Intellectual Property Office (HIPO)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>18</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
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Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/2026	.	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>17</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>18</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published application for national or regional patent	A1, A2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U	01/01/1992	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	U	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A1, A2	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request

## IB International Bureau of WIPO

The **International Bureau of WIPO** has notified under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>19</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
International application for patent	A1, A2, A4, A8, A9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
International application for patent	A1, A2, A4, A8, A9	19/10/1978	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.36)	Collections available on request

<sup>19</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

## IL Israel

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>20</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
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Published national or regional patent	B2	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/01/1991		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/08/2012		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	A	01/08/2012		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## IS Iceland

The **Icelandic Intellectual Property Office (ISIPO)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>21</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/2025		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/2025		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>20</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>21</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/2000	31/12/2024	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/2000	31/12/2024	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1920	31/12/1999	Paper	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/1920	31/12/1999	Paper	Collections available on request

## JP Japan

The **Japan Patent Office (JPO)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>22</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	C1, C2	20/01/1920	28/12/1956	Other online image-based	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B5, B6, B7	09/06/1922	24/12/1993	Other online image-based	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B5, B6, B7	07/01/1991	14/06/2004	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B5, B6, B7	07/07/2004	05/01/2022	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B5, B6, B7	12/01/2022		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>22</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B1, B2, B5, B6, B7	07/07/2004	05/01/2022	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A5, A6, A7	16/07/1971	25/12/1992	Other online image-based	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A5, A6, A7	07/01/1991	05/12/2003	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A5, A6, A7	08/01/2004	11/01/2022	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A5, A6, A7	12/01/2022		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A, A5, A6, A7	08/01/2004	11/01/2022	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Z1, Z2	20/01/1920	28/12/1956	Other online image-based	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6, Y7	01/06/1922	24/12/1993	Other online image-based	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6, Y7	07/01/1991	26/04/2004	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6, Y7	07/07/2004	16/06/2010	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U, U5, U6, U7	13/09/1971	25/12/1992	Other online image-based	Collections available on request

Utility model application	U, U5, U6, U7	07/01/1991	07/11/2003	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U, U5, U6, U7	15/01/2004	09/02/2006	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U, U5, U6, U7	26/07/1994	03/10/2003	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U, U5, U6, U7	08/01/2004	06/01/2022	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U, U5, U6, U7	12/01/2022		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1, Y2, Y5, Y6, Y7	07/07/2004	16/06/2010	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model application	U, U5, U6, U7	15/01/2004	09/02/2006	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	U, U5, U6, U7	08/01/2004	06/01/2022	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request

## KR Republic of Korea

The **Ministry of Intellectual Property (MOIP) (Republic of Korea)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>23</sup>.

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Published national or regional patent	B1	12/07/1979		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>23</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*



Published application for national or regional patent	A	03/03/1983		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	11/07/1979		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U	25/01/1983		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## PH Philippines

The **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>24</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
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Published Patent Application with Search Report	A1	24/09/2012	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Patent Application Published with Search Report	A1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Patent Application without Search Report	A2	24/09/2017	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Search Report for A2 document	A3	02/10/2017	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Patent Divisional Application with Search Report	A10		31/10/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>24</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published Patent Divisional Application with Search Report	A10	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Granted Patent	B1	07/09/2017	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Granted Patent	B1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Early Publication of Patent Application with Search Report	E1	01/09/2016	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Early Publication of Patent Application with Search Report	E1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Utility Model for Adverse Information	U1	21/05/2012	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Utility Model for Adverse Information	U1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Re-published Utility Model with Amendments	U2		31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Re-published Utility Model with Amendments	U2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Registered Utility Model	U3	28/03/2022	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published Registered Utility Model	U3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## PL Poland

The **Patent Office of the Republic of Poland** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>25</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
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Published application for national or regional patent	A1	12/10/2009		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	26/05/1924		PDF (text-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2023		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	08/01/1988		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1	01/01/2023		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## RU Russian Federation

The **Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>26</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	C, C1, C2, C8, C9	01/01/1994		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>25</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>26</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published application for national or regional patent	A, A1, A3, A8	01/01/1994		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U1, U8, U9	01/01/1994		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Certificate for Invention (former Soviet Union only)	A1, A2, A3, A4	01/01/1924	31/12/1993	Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## SE Sweden

The **Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>27</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A0	01/01/1959		PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	13/04/2010	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	13/04/2010	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A2	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>27</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1968	31/12/1972	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1973		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C	01/01/1968	31/12/1972	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	C	01/01/1973		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C1	01/01/1885	31/12/1972	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	C1	01/01/1973	31/12/1978	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C2	01/01/1994	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C2	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C3	01/01/1994	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C3	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C5	01/01/1994	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	C5	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

Published national or regional patent	E	01/01/1994	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E1	01/07/2014	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E1	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E5	01/01/2007	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E5	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E9	01/01/1994	31/12/2017	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	E9	01/01/2018		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	L	01/01/1971	31/12/1972	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	L	01/01/1973	13/04/2010	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	L1	01/01/2000	13/04/2010	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## SG Singapore

The **Intellectual Property Office of Singapore** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>28</sup>.

Type of document	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
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Published application for national or regional patent	01/01/2026		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
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Published application for national or regional patent	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	01/01/1991		Full text (plain text)	Collections available on request

## SK Slovakia

The **Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>29</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A3	07/07/1993		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B6, B7	08/12/1993		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	U	07/07/1993	05/12/2008	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>28</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>29</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Utility model application	U1	07/04/2008		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y1, Y2, Y3	07/01/2009		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## TR Türkiye

The **Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (Turkpatent)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent and utility model documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>30</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A, T	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B, T	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model application	U	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Utility model issued	Y	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A, T	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B, T	01/01/1991	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request

<sup>30</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*



Utility model application	U	01/06/1996	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Utility model issued	Y	01/06/1996	31/12/2025	PDF (image-based)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A, T	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

## UA Ukraine

The **State Organization “Ukrainian National Office for Intellectual Property and Innovations” (UANIPIO)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>31</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	C2	27/12/1994		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	30/04/1993		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Ukrainian patent publication based on Certificate for Invention of the former USSR	A1	30/04/1993	10/04/2009	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>31</sup> Refer to Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### HN Honduras

The **Directorate General of Intellectual Property (Honduras)** has notified the International Bureau of changes to its telephone number and to its e-mail addresses, which are now as follows:

Telephone:	(504) 2242 8897
E-mail:	patentes@ip.gob.hn Josue.mejia@ip.gob.hn Jose.morazan@ip.gob.hn

[Updating of Annex B(HN) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d)

### AT Austria

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89bis.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Austrian Patent Office**, in its capacities as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority Specified for Supplementary Search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified changes to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 20 February 2014 (pages 26 *et seq.*).

In particular, as from 31 October 2025, the Office will no longer accept the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using EPO Online Filing (eOLF). Consequently, the Office will accept international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

#### **As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

– ePCT Filing

[Updating of Annex C(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## PATENT AND UTILITY MODEL DOCUMENTS FORMING PART OF THE MINIMUM DOCUMENTATION

Amended PCT Rule 34.1(e)<sup>1</sup>, adopted by the Assembly of the International Patent Cooperation Union (PCT Union) at its Fifty-Fifth (24<sup>th</sup> Ordinary) Session held from 6 to 14 July 2023, with effect from 1 January 2026, requires the International Bureau to validate the availability of the patent and utility model documents notified in accordance with PCT Rule 34.1(d)<sup>1</sup>, and to publish in the Gazette details of the documents concerned and the date from which they will become a part of the minimum documentation.

The following Offices have made notifications under PCT Rule 34.1(d) and the International Bureau has validated the availability of the documents so notified. Consequently, **with effect from 1 January 2026**, those patent documents listed below that were published after 1 January 1920 will form part of the minimum documentation. In accordance with PCT Rule 34.1(c), the International Searching Authorities should also preferably consult the utility model documents referred to below.

### EG Egypt

The **Egyptian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>2</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1996	31/12/2021	Full text (plain text)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/2022	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.36)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 30 November 2023, p. 223 *et seq.*

<sup>2</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

## IN India

The **Indian Patent Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>3</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2026		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/2026		Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/2005	31/12/2025	PDF (text-based)	Collections available on request

## NO Norway

The **Norwegian Industrial Property Office** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>4</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>3</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

<sup>4</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B2	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B4	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	T3	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	T4	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	T9	01/01/2026		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	L	02/01/1991	30/06/2014	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A	01/01/1920	13/12/2010	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	17/05/1999	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request

Published national or regional patent	B	01/01/1920	07/07/1997	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	C	02/01/1991	07/04/2008	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B1	06/04/1992	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B2	24/11/1997	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	B3	25/08/1993	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request
Published national or regional patent	T3	15/06/2013	31/12/2025	Full text (ST.96)	Collections available on request

## SA Saudi Arabia

The **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>5</sup>.

Type of document	ST.16 Code	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
		From	To		
Published national or regional patent	B1	23/12/1995	01/01/2015	Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	A1	01/01/2015		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	B1	01/01/2015		Full text (ST.96)	Online repository hosted by this Office

<sup>5</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*

## US United States of America

The **United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO)** has notified the International Bureau under amended PCT Rule 34.1(d) that the following patent documents have been made available in accordance with the requirements specified in the amended Administrative Instructions under the PCT<sup>6</sup>.

Type of document	Publication Dates		Format of Documents	Source of Documents
	From	To		
Published national or regional patent	31/07/1790		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	06/01/1976	25/12/2001	Full text (plain text)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published national or regional patent	02/01/2001		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	15/03/2001		PDF (image-based)	Online repository hosted by this Office
Published application for national or regional patent	15/03/2001		Full text (ST.36)	Online repository hosted by this Office

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<sup>6</sup> Refer to the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 4 September 2025, p. 137 *et seq.*



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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

### FI Finland

#### Agreement between the Finnish Patent and Registration Office and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> - Amendment to Annex D

The **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments will enter into force on 1 January 2026. The amended Annex D will read as follows:

#### **Annex D Fees and Charges**

##### **Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges**

<b>Kind of fee or charge</b>	<b>Amount (Euro)</b>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	[No change]
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	[No change]
Supplementary search fees (Rule 45 <i>bis</i> .3(a))	[No change]
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	690
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	690
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rules 13 <i>ter</i> .1(c) and 13 <i>ter</i> .2)	210
Cost of copies (Rule 94.1 <i>ter</i> and Rule 94.2), per page	[No change]

##### **Part II. [No change]**

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<sup>1</sup> The Agreement is available on the WIPO website at:  
<https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-fi.pdf>

## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### ME Montenegro

The **Ministry of Economic Development (Montenegro)** has notified the International Bureau of a change to its telephone number, which is now as follows:

Telephone: (382) 20 234 592

[Updating of Annex B(ME) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### ZW Zimbabwe

The **Zimbabwe Intellectual Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of changes to its telephone numbers, its e-mail address and its facsimile number, which are now as follows:

Telephone: (263-242) 78 18 35  
(263-242) 77 55 44  
(263-242) 77 55 45  
(263-242) 77 55 46  
(263-242) 77 53 73  
(263-242) 77 56 02  
Chief Registrar:  
(263-242) 77 51 62 (direct line)  
(263-773) 56 02 84 (mobile phone)

E-mail: [wmushayi@gmail.com](mailto:wmushayi@gmail.com)

Facsimile machine: (263-242) 77 73 72

[Updating of Annex B(ZW) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### FI Finland

The **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rule 13~~ter~~.1(c)), in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it as International Searching Authority. This amount, applicable from 1 January 2026, is EUR 210.

[Updating of Annex D(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

Furthermore, the Office has notified new amounts of fees, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority, and applicable from 1 January 2026, as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	EUR	690
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	EUR	690
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings (Rule 13 <del>ter</del> .2)	EUR	210

[Updating of Annex E(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### CR Costa Rica

The **Registry of Intellectual Property (Costa Rica)** has notified the International Bureau of changes to its e-mail addresses, which are now as follows:

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	jlizano@rnp.go.cr
	dmarenco@rnp.go.cr

[Updating of Annex B(CR) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### PCT Fees – Establishment of New Equivalent Amounts of Fees

Following consultations undertaken by the Director General of WIPO in October 2025, in accordance with the Directives adopted by the PCT Assembly<sup>1</sup> and pursuant to PCT Rules 15.2(d) and 57.2(d), new equivalent amounts of the **international filing fee** (including the fee per sheet over 30 and fee reductions when an international application is filed in electronic form) and the **handling fee**, respectively, have been established in **various currencies** with effect from 1 January 2026, as indicated in table 1 published at the end of this issue of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*. This table shows both the current equivalent amounts in the prescribed currencies, and, in bold print, any new equivalent amounts of those fees corresponding to the amounts in Swiss francs (CHF) set out in the current Schedule of Fees.<sup>2</sup>

Furthermore, pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts of **search fees** have been established in the **prescribed currencies of receiving Offices** for all International Searching Authorities, also with effect from 1 January 2026, as indicated in table 2 published at the end of this issue of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*. This table shows both the current equivalent amounts, and, in bold print, any new equivalent amounts of the search fees fixed by the International Searching Authorities.

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<sup>1</sup> The *Directives of the PCT Assembly Relating to the Establishment of Equivalent Amounts of Certain Fees* are available on the WIPO website at:  
[https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/fees/equivalent\\_amounts](https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/fees/equivalent_amounts)

<sup>2</sup> Available on the WIPO website at:  
<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/texts/rules/rtax>

In addition, pursuant to PCT Rule 45*bis*.3(b), new equivalent amounts of the **supplementary search fees** have been established in **Swiss francs (CHF)** for all Authorities specified for supplementary search, also with effect from 1 January 2026, as indicated in table 3 published at the end of this issue of the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)*. This table shows the supplementary search fees fixed by the Authorities, as well as the new equivalent amounts of those fees in Swiss francs (CHF).

[Updating of the following Annexes of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*:

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## RECEIVING OFFICES

### QA Qatar

The **Intellectual Property Department (Qatar)** has specified the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) – in addition to the Egyptian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, with effect since 1 October 2025, for international applications filed with the Intellectual Property Department (Qatar) or with the receiving Office of the International Bureau of WIPO, by nationals and residents of Qatar.

[Updating of Annex C(QA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### GE Georgia

The **National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)** has notified the International Bureau of a change to one component of its national fee<sup>3,4</sup> payable to it as designated (or elected) Office. The change is applicable since 18 November 2024. The list of the said components is now as follows:

National fee:

For patent and utility model:

Fee for examination as to form  
and publication of the application:

Up to 30 pages of application  
materials:<sup>5</sup>

Equivalent in GEL of USD 100

For each additional page  
over 30:<sup>6</sup>

Equivalent in GEL of USD 1

Furthermore, the Office notified changes to its special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* (Certain National Requirements Allowed under Article 27). The Office requires:

- Appointment of a patent attorney if the applicant is not resident in Georgia;
- Power of attorney if a patent attorney or representative is appointed.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (GE), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DEPOSITS OF MICROORGANISMS AND OTHER BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL: REQUIREMENTS OF DESIGNATED AND ELECTED OFFICES

### GE Georgia

The **National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)** has notified additional information concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material, as follows:

If the application refers to a biological material or other similar objects, it shall be accompanied by a document certifying the deposit, issued by an International Depositary Authority under the Budapest Treaty. The document shall include the

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<sup>3</sup> Fees are reduced by 70% where the applicant is the inventor, a higher educational institution or an independent scientific-research unit, and by 90% where the applicant is a student, pupil or pensioner.

<sup>4</sup> Fees are reduced by 20% for applications filed electronically.

<sup>5</sup> This fee must be paid within one month from the date of request for entry into the national phase.

<sup>6</sup> This fee must be paid within one month from the date of the invitation to pay.



name of the depository institution, the designation of the deposited material, its registration number, the date of deposit and a full description of the material.

The material to be deposited shall be submitted no later than the date of filing of the application with the National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI). The document certifying the deposit of the material may be filed within two months from the date of filing of the application.

[Updating of Annex L(GE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **AVAILABILITY OF PRIORITY DOCUMENTS FROM DIGITAL LIBRARIES: NOTIFICATIONS BY PARTICIPATING OFFICES AND AUTHORITIES**

Under the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (“DAS”) established by the International Bureau, any Office or Authority having the adequate legal and technical requirements in place can participate in DAS, either as an Office of first filing (“depositing Office”) or as an Office of second filing (“accessing Office”), or both, in order to facilitate access to priority documents (PCT Rule 17). Notifications made under the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents* are published by the International Bureau at:

<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/das/participating-offices/search>

### **SA Saudi Arabia**

In accordance with the *Framework Provisions for the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents*, the **Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP)** has notified the International Bureau of its participation in DAS as an accessing Office, with effect from 1 September 2025.<sup>7</sup>

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<sup>7</sup> For details, refer to:  
<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/das/participating-offices/search-details?territoryId=149>

Table 1 – PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for international filing fee and handling fee (in prescribed currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

Currency	Exchange rate in Swiss franc on October 6, 2025	International filing fee Rule 15.2(a)	Fee per sheet in excess of 30 Rule 15.2(a)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees			Handling fee Rule 57.2(a) Schedule of fees Item 3	Current amount
				Item 4(a)	Item 4(b)	Item 4(c)		
Reference currency Swiss franc		1,330	15	100	200	300	200	Current amount
AUD - Australian dollar	0.52653	2,506 <b>2,526</b>	28 28	n.a n.a	377 <b>380</b>	565 <b>570</b>	377 <b>380</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
CAD - Canadian dollar	0.57153	2,229 <b>2,327</b>	25 26	n.a n.a	335 <b>350</b>	503 <b>525</b>	335 <b>350</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
CNY - Yuan renminbi	0.11167	11,620 <b>11,910</b>	130 130	n.a n.a	1,750 <b>1,790</b>	2,620 <b>2,690</b>	1,750 <b>1,790</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
DKK - Danish krone	0.12477	10,560 <b>10,660</b>	120 120	n.a n.a	1,590 <b>1,600</b>	2,380 <b>2,400</b>	1,590 <b>1,600</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
EUR - Euro	0.93167	1,417 <b>1,428</b>	16 16	107 107	213 <b>215</b>	320 <b>322</b>	213 <b>215</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
GBP - Pound sterling	1.07120	1,189 <b>1,242</b>	13 14	n.a n.a	179 <b>187</b>	268 <b>280</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
HUF - Hungarian forint	0.00239	570,800 <b>556,500</b>	6,400 6,300	n.a n.a	85,800 <b>83,700</b>	128,800 <b>125,500</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
ILS - New Israeli shekel	0.24333	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	875 <b>822</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
ISK - Icelandic krona	0.00657	210,400 <b>202,400</b>	2,400 2,300	n.a n.a	31,600 <b>30,400</b>	47,500 <b>45,700</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
JPY - Japanese yen	0.00531	242,700 <b>250,500</b>	2,700 2,800	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	54,700 <b>56,500</b>	36,500 <b>37,700</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
KRW - Korean won	0.00056	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	n.a n.a	345,000 <b>357,000</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
NOK - Norwegian krone	0.08011	16,520 <b>16,600</b>	190 190	n.a n.a	2,480 <b>2,500</b>	3,730 <b>3,740</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
NZD - New Zealand dollar	0.46443	2,695 <b>2,864</b>	30 32	n.a n.a	405 <b>431</b>	608 <b>646</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
SAR - Saudi riyal	0.21279	6,057 <b>6,250</b>	68 70	n.a n.a	911 <b>940</b>	1,366 <b>1,410</b>	911 <b>940</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
SEK - Swedish krona	0.08480	15,140 <b>15,680</b>	170 180	n.a n.a	2,280 <b>2,360</b>	3,410 <b>3,540</b>	2,280 <b>2,360</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
SGD - Singapore dollar	0.61680	2,026 <b>2,156</b>	23 24	n.a n.a	305 <b>324</b>	457 <b>486</b>	305 <b>324</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
USD - US dollar	0.79797	1,603 <b>1,667</b>	18 19	121 125	241 <b>251</b>	362 <b>376</b>	241 <b>251</b>	Current amount <b>New amount</b>
ZAR - South African rand	0.04625	29,860 <b>28,760</b>	340 320	n.a n.a	4,490 <b>4,320</b>	6,740 <b>6,490</b>	n.a n.a	Current amount <b>New amount</b>

Table 2 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for search fees (in receiving Offices' currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority	IS/A/T		IS/A/U		IS/A/B/R		IS/A/C/A	
	EUR	1,845	AUD	2,200	BRL	2,510	CAD	2,317.68
Reference currency & amount	Exch. Rate		Exch. Rate		Exch. Rate		Exch. Rate	
<i>Exchange rates applicable on October 6, 2025</i>								
CHF - Swiss franc	1.07334	1,732 <b>1,719</b>	1.89923	1,168 <b>1,158</b>	6.68807	371 <b>375</b>	1.74969	1,383 <b>1,325</b>
USD - US dollar	0.85649	2,094 <b>2,154</b>	1.57553	1,383 <b>1,452</b>	5.33688	451 <b>470</b>	1.39620	1,696 <b>1,660</b>
EUR - Euro			1.271	<b>1,472</b>	6.23107	395 <b>403</b>	1.63013	1,472 <b>1,422</b>
AUD - Australian dollar			1.76945	<b>1,243</b>				Current amount <b>New amount</b>
CNY - Yuan renminbi								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
DKK - Danish krone								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
GBP - Pound sterling								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
HUF - Hungarian forint								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
ISK - Icelandic krona								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
JPY - Japanese yen								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
KRW - Korean won	0.00060	2,929,000 <b>3,075,000</b>	0.00706	2,000,000 <b>2,075,000</b>				Current amount <b>New amount</b>
NOK - Norwegian krone								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
NZD - New Zealand dollar			0.88206	2,431 <b>2,494</b>				Current amount <b>New amount</b>
SEK - Swedish krona								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
SGD - Singapore dollar	0.66204	2,639 <b>2,787</b>	1.17144	1,852 <b>1,878</b>				Current amount <b>New amount</b>
TRY - Turkish Lira								Current amount <b>New amount</b>
ZAR - South African rand	0.04964	39,010 <b>37,170</b>	0.08784	26,000 <b>25,050</b>				Current amount <b>New amount</b>

Table 2 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for search fees (in receiving Offices' currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

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1. Amounts applicable as from December 1, 2025.

Table 2 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for search fees (in receiving Offices' currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority	ISA/ES		ISA/FI		ISA/IL		ISA/IN		
	EUR	Exch. Rate	EUR	Exch. Rate	ILS	Exch. Rate	INR		
Reference currency & amount	EUR	1,845	EUR	1,845	ILS	4,101	INR	10,000	2,500
Exchange rates applicable on October 6, 2025									
CHF - Swiss franc	1,732	1,732	1,732	1,732	937	937	94	24	Current amount
	1,719	1,719	1,719	1,719	998	998	90	22	New amount
USD - US dollar	2,094	2,094	2,094	2,094	1,220	1,220	119	30	Current amount
	2,154	2,154	2,154	2,154	1,251	1,251	113	28	New amount
EUR - Euro					995	995	100	25	Current amount
					1,071	1,071	96	24	New amount
AUD - Australian dollar									Current amount
									New amount
CNY - Yuan renminbi									Current amount
									New amount
DKK - Danish krone									Current amount
									New amount
GBP - Pound sterling									Current amount
									New amount
HUF - Hungarian forint									Current amount
									New amount
ISK - Icelandic krona									Current amount
									New amount
JPY - Japanese yen							17,600	4,400	Current amount
							16,900	4,200	New amount
KRW - Korean won							0.59066		Current amount
									New amount
NOK - Norwegian krone									Current amount
									New amount
NZD - New Zealand dollar									Current amount
									New amount
SEK - Swedish krona									Current amount
									New amount
SGD - Singapore dollar									Current amount
									New amount
TRY - Turkish Lira									Current amount
									New amount
ZAR - South African rand									Current amount
									New amount

Table 2 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for search fees (in receiving Offices' currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority	ISA/JP		ISA/KR		ISA/PH		ISA/RU	
	JPY	169,000	KRW	1,200,000	USD	600	RUB	45,000
Reference currency & amount	Exch. Rate	143,000	Exch. Rate	450,000	Exch. Rate	200	Exch. Rate	9,000
Exchange rates applicable on October 6, 2025								
CHF - Swiss franc	188.32392	926	1,785.71429	696	1.25318	479	104.16667	448
		897	672	252		160	432	86
USD - US dollar	150.27684	1,179	888	333		160	567	113
		1,125	842	316			541	108
EUR - Euro	175.45574	982	755	283		171	464	93
		963	721	270	1.16755	514	97.04896	464
AUD - Australian dollar			1,322	496				
			940.23214	1,276				
CNY - Yuan renminbi								
DKK - Danish krone								
GBP - Pound sterling								
HUF - Hungarian forint								
ISK - Icelandic krona								
JPY - Japanese yen								
KRW - Korean won	0.10546	1,393,000						
		1,356,000						
NOK - Norwegian krone								
NZD - New Zealand dollar			829.33929	1,460				
			1,447	548				
SEK - Swedish krona				543				
SGD - Singapore dollar	116.15819	1,486	1,092	410				
		1,455	1,089	409				
TRY - Turkish Lira								
ZAR - South African rand								

2. Amounts applicable as from December 1, 2025.

Table 2 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for search fees (in receiving Offices' currencies)  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority	ISA/SA		ISA/SE		ISA/SG		ISA/TR		ISA/UA		
	SAR	Exch. Rate	SEK	eq. 1,845 eur	SGD	Exch. Rate	TRY	eq. 1,845 eur	EUR	300	100
Reference currency & amount									Exch. Rate		
Exchange rates applicable on October 6, 2025											
CHF - Swiss franc	220		1,732	1,732	1,458		1,732	1,732	1.07334	282	94
	4.69947	213	1,719	1,719	1,449		1,719	1,719		280	93
USD - US dollar	267		2,094	2,094	1,849		2,094	2,094		341	114
	3.75004	267	2,154	2,154	1,816		2,154	2,154	0.85649	350	117
EUR - Euro	229		1,845	1,845	1,565		1,845	1,845			
	4.37835	228	1,845	1,845	1,556		1,845	1,845			
AUD - Australian dollar											
CNY - Yuan renminbi											
DKK - Danish krone			13,760								
			13,780								
GBP - Pound sterling											
HUF - Hungarian forint											
ISK - Icelandic krona			274,100								
			261,700								
JPY - Japanese yen					264,000						
					272,900						
KRW - Korean won					2,527,000						
					2,582,000						
NOK - Norwegian krone			21,510								
			21,460								
NZD - New Zealand dollar											
SEK - Swedish krona			20,980								
			20,270								
SGD - Singapore dollar											
TRY - Turkish Lira							69,360				
							89,820				
ZAR - South African rand											

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Table 3 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for the supplementary search fees  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority (Supplementary Search)	ISA/AT			ISA/EP		ISA/FI		ISA/RU			
	EUR	850 <sup>1</sup>	1,190 <sup>2</sup>	1,700 <sup>3</sup>	EUR	1,845	EUR	1,845	RUB	12,000	19,000 <sup>4</sup>
Reference currency & Amount	EUR				EUR	1,845	EUR	1,845			
Exchange rate applicable on October 6, 2025	Exch. Rate	1.07334	792	1,109	1,584	Exch. Rate	1.07334	1,719	Exch. Rate	104.16667	182
CHF - Swiss franc											

1. For a search of the German-language documentation.
2. For a search of the European or North American documentation.
3. For a search of only the PCT minimum documentation.
4. 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).

Table 3 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for the supplementary search fees  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority (Supplementary Search)	ISA/SE	ISA/SG	ISA/TR	ISA/UA			
Reference currency & Amount	SEK eq. 1,845 eur	SGD 2,350	TRY 500 <sup>5</sup> eq. 1,845 eur	EUR	60 <sup>6</sup>	70 <sup>7</sup>	90 <sup>8</sup> 90 <sup>9</sup>
Exchange rate applicable on October 6, 2025 CHF - Swiss franc	1,719	Exch. Rate 1.62127 1,449	10 1,719	Exch. Rate 1.07334	56	65	84 84

5. For a search of only the documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority.

6. 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).

7. For a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation.

8. For a search of only the European and North American documentation.

9. For a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation.

Table 3 - PCT Fees: New equivalent amounts for the supplementary search fees  
(applicable as from January 1, 2026)

International Searching Authority (Supplementary Search)	ISAXN		ISAXV	
	Reference currency & Amount			
	DKK	4000 <sup>10</sup>	EUR	550 <sup>11</sup>
		eq. 1,845 eur		1,775
<i>Exchange rate applicable on October 6, 2025</i> CHF - Swiss franc		499	<i>Exch. Rate</i> 1.07334	512
		1,719		1,654

10. For a search focusing only on the documents in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish.

11. For a search of only the documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak.

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## INTERNATIONAL SEARCHING AUTHORITIES INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINING AUTHORITIES

### CA Canada

#### Agreement between the Government of Canada and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization<sup>1</sup> – Amendments to Annex D

The **Canadian Intellectual Property Office** has notified the International Bureau, in accordance with Article 11(3)(iii) of the above-mentioned Agreement, of amendments to Part I of Annex D thereof. These amendments, which will take effect on 1 January 2026, consist of changes in the amounts of several fees payable to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office in its capacity as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority.

With effect from 1 January 2026, the amended Annex D will read as follows:

#### **Annex D Fees and Charges**

##### **Part I. Schedule of Fees and Charges**

<b>Kind of fee or charge</b>	<b>Amount (Canadian dollars)</b>
Search fee (Rule 16.1(a))	2,380.26
Additional fee (Rule 40.2(a))	2,380.26
Preliminary examination fee (Rule 58.1(b))	1,190.13
Additional fee (Rule 68.3(a))	1,190.13
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2) in electronic form	
(a) for the first 7 megabytes, plus	[no change]
(b) for each additional 10 megabytes or part thereof exceeding the first 7 megabytes	[no change]
Cost of copies (Rules 44.3(b), 71.2(b), 94.1 <i>ter</i> and 94.2), per page (paper)	[no change]

##### **Part II. [No change]**

<sup>1</sup> Available on the WIPO website at:  
<https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-ca.pdf>

## INFORMATION ON CONTRACTING STATES

### GE Georgia

The **National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)** has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning its facsimile services and the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – with effect since 12 January 2024, the Office discontinued the use of its facsimile services and no longer accepts the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means.

[Updating of Annex B(GE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CA Canada

The **Canadian Intellectual Property Office** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14), in **Canadian dollars (CAD)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. This amount, applicable from 1 January 2026, is CAD 446.03.

[Updating of Annex C(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

The Office also notified new amounts of fees, in Canadian dollars (CAD), payable to it in its capacity as International Searching Authority. These amounts, also applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows:

Search fee (PCT Rule 16.1(a)):	CAD	2,380.26
Additional search fee <sup>2</sup> (PCT Rule 40.2(a)):	CAD	2,380.26

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>2</sup> This fee is payable to the International Searching Authority and only in particular circumstances.

Furthermore, the Office notified new amounts of fees, in **Canadian dollars (CAD)**, payable to it in its capacity as International Preliminary Examining Authority. These amounts, also applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows:

Preliminary examination fee (PCT Rule 58.1(b)):	CAD	1,190.13
Additional preliminary examination fee <sup>3</sup> (PCT Rule 68.3(a)):	CAD	1,190.13

[Updating of Annex E(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### GE Georgia

The **National Intellectual Property Center of Georgia (SAKPATENTI)** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning the number of copies of an international application required by it if the application is filed on paper – since 12 January 2024 one copy must be filed instead of three.

Furthermore, the Office has notified changes concerning the requirements for representation before the Office – since 1 January 2025, an agent is required in its capacity as receiving Office.

[Updating of Annex C(GE) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### KZ Kazakhstan

The **National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan)** has specified the Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) – in addition to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed on or after 23 April 2025 with the National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan), in its capacity as receiving Office, by nationals and residents of Kazakhstan.

[Updating of Annex C(KZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>3</sup> This fee is payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority and only in particular circumstances.

**FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS:  
NOTIFICATIONS UNDER PCT RULE 89*bis*.1(d)**

**LS Lesotho**

The **Registrar General's Office (Lesotho)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau, under PCT Rules 89*bis*.1(d) and 89*bis*.2 and in accordance with Sections 710(a) and 713(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that it is prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form, with effect from 5 January 2026, as follows:

**As to electronic document formats (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- XML (in general; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.1)
- WIPO Standard ST.26 (for sequence listings; see Annex F, section 3.1.1.4, and Annex C)
- PDF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.2)
- TIFF (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.3.1)
- JPEG (for files that are referenced by XML files within the international application; see Annex F, section 3.1.3.2)

**As to means of transmittal (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- online filing (see Annex F, section 5 and Appendix III, section 2(d))

**As to electronic document packaging (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- WASP (Wrapped and Signed Package; see Annex F, section 4.2.1)

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT-Filing

**As to types of electronic signature (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- facsimile and text string types of signatures (see Annex F, sections 3.3.1 to 3.3.2)
- enhanced electronic signature (see Annex F, section 3.3.4)



**As to conditions, rules and procedures relating to electronic receipt (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

The acknowledgement of receipt of any purported international application filed in electronic form with the Office will contain, in addition to the mandatory information required under Section 704(a)(i) to (iv), the names of the electronic files received (see Section 704(a)(v)).

The Office will make every effort to accept an international application in electronic form. It is only if the application is not sent in accordance with the E-filing interoperability protocol (see Annex F, section 5.1) that no acknowledgement of receipt will be generated. Other errors, such as the use of outdated certificates (see Annex F, Appendix II, section 4.4.7), applications infected by viruses or other forms of malicious logic (see Section 708(b)) or certain missing files, are notified to the applicant by inclusion in the notification of receipt.

Where it appears that the notification of receipt sent to the applicant by electronic means of transmittal was not successfully transmitted, the Office will promptly retransmit the notification of receipt by the same or another means (see Section 709(b)).

**As to methods of online payment (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

Online payment is not available.

**As to details concerning help desks (Section 710(a)(ii)):**

The Office has put in place a help desk to answer questions from users of the service. The help desk may be contacted:

- by telephone at: (266) 6284 4699
- by e-mail at: registrar.general@gov.ls

**As to the kinds of documents which may be transmitted to the Office in electronic form (Section 710(a)(iii)):**

- international applications
- subsequently filed documents for international applications, to the extent supported by the relevant software

**As to the filing of documents in pre-conversion format (Section 710(a)(iv)):**

The Office will accept the filing of documents in any pre-conversion format together with the international application.

**As to procedures for notification of applicants and procedures which applicants may follow as alternatives when the electronic systems of the Office are not available (Section 710(a)(v)):**

In case of failure of the electronic systems when an international application is filed with it, the Office will use all means available, such as fax or e-mail, to inform the applicant about procedures to follow as alternatives.

**As to the certification authorities that are accepted by the Office and the electronic addresses of the certificate policies under which certificates are issued (Section 710(a)(vi)):**

- WIPO customer CA (see [www.wipo.int/pct-eservices/en/certificates.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct-eservices/en/certificates.html))

**As to the procedures relating to access to the files of international applications filed or stored in electronic form (Section 710(a)(vii)):**

Applications filed via ePCT-Filing can be accessed by the applicant using ePCT

[Updating of Annex C(LS) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **LT Lithuania**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **State Patent Bureau of the Republic of Lithuania**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 11 November 2021 (pages 190 *et seq.*).

In particular, since 27 March 2024, the Office no longer accepts the filing of international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form using EPO Online Filing (eOLF). The Office accepts international applications and other documents and correspondence relating to international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT Filing

[Updating of Annex C(LT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### BZ Belize

The **Belize Intellectual Property Office** notified the International Bureau of a change in its location, as follows:

Location:	6129 Brown Street P.O. Box 592 Belmopan Cayo District Belize
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[Updating of Annex B(BZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### KG Kyrgyzstan

The **State Agency of Intellectual Property and Innovation under the Cabinet of Ministers of the Kyrgyz Republic (Kyrgyzpatent)** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the name of the Office, its e-mail addresses, Internet address and facsimile number, applicable since 12 May 2025, as follows:

Name of Office:	Ministry of Science, Higher Education and Innovation of the Kyrgyz Republic
E-mail:	office@ilim.gov.kg inter@ilim.gov.kg
Internet:	<a href="https://ilim.gov.kg">https://ilim.gov.kg</a>
Facsimile:	(996-312) 68 19 74

In addition, the Office has modified, since 12 May 2025, its requirements concerning the time when the name and address of the inventor must be provided if Kyrgyzstan is designated (or elected), as follows:

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

[Updating of Annex B(KG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## MC Monaco

The **Intellectual Property Division, Department of Economic Expansion (Monaco)** has notified the International Bureau of a change to the name of the Office, which is now as follows:

Name of Office:	Monaco Industrial Property Office (MCIPO)
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In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of the deletion of its facsimile number from its contact means.

[Updating of Annex B(MC) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## TT Trinidad and Tobago

The **Intellectual Property Office, Office of the Attorney General and Ministry of Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago)** has notified the International Bureau of a change in the name of the Office, which is now the following:

Name of Office:	Intellectual Property Office, Ministry of Land and Legal Affairs (Trinidad and Tobago)
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## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### CA Canada

Pursuant to PCT Rule 16.1(d), new equivalent amounts in **Swiss francs (CHF)**, **euros (EUR)** and **US dollars (USD)** have been established for the search fee for an international search carried out by the **Canadian Intellectual Property Office**. These amounts, applicable from 1 January 2026, are CHF 1,360, EUR 1,460 and USD 1,705, respectively.

[Updating of Annex D(CA) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### BZ Belize

The **Belize Intellectual Property Office** has notified new amounts of several components of the national fee, in **Belize dollars**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable since 1 March 2022, as follows:

Patents:

Filing fee (including 1<sup>st</sup> annual fee):                      BZD     450

Utility models:

Filing fee/Grant fee:    BZD     600

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (BZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### KG Kyrgyzstan

The **Ministry of Science, Higher Education and Innovation of the Kyrgyz Republic** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to whether a copy of the international application is required in particular circumstances, applicable since 12 May 2025 – a copy of the international application is required in particular circumstances.

In addition, the Office has notified changes to the name, and the amount, of one component of the national fee, in **Kyrgyz som (KGS)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and also applicable since 12 May 2025, as follows:

Filing fee:<sup>1</sup>    KGS   4,000

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (KG) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> This fee must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1). The requirement may still be complied with within two months from the expiration of that time limit, provided that a surcharge is paid.

## INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

### Non-Working Days

For the purposes of computing time limits under PCT Rule 80.5(i), it is to be noted that, for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2026, **the International Bureau will not be open** to the public for the transaction of official business on the following days:

all Saturdays and Sundays, and  
1 January 2026,  
3 and 6 April 2026,  
14 May 2026,  
25 May 2026,  
31 July 2026, and  
25 and 31 December 2026.

It is important to note that the days indicated above concern **only the International Bureau** (including in its capacity as receiving Office) and **not** national Offices or other intergovernmental organizations. Additional information concerning closed dates at the International Bureau is available at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCTExternal/pages/ClosedDates.xhtml?lang=en>

## PATENT AND UTILITY MODEL DOCUMENTS FORMING PART OF THE MINIMUM DOCUMENTATION

### PH Philippines – Corrigendum

The notification by the **Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines** to the International Bureau under amended Rule 34.1(d) published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* dated 23 October 2025 p. 201 *et seq.* contained errors in the column of the table titled: “Source of Documents”.

All publications are hosted by the ASEAN IP Register and therefore all entries in the column of the table titled: “Source of Documents”, should be: “online repository hosted by another Office”.

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### AO Angola

The **Angolan Institute of Industrial Property** has notified the International Bureau of its website address, as follows:

Website: <https://iapi.gov.ao>

[Updating of Annex B(AO) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### TM Turkmenistan

The **State Service for Intellectual Property of the Ministry of Finance and Economy of Turkmenistan** has notified the International Bureau of a change to its email address, which is now as follows:

E-mail: [tmpatent@sanly.tm](mailto:tmpatent@sanly.tm)

[Updating of Annex B(TM) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIVING OFFICES

### SV El Salvador

The **National Center of Registries (CNR) (El Salvador)** has notified the International Bureau of a change concerning its requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office in its capacity as receiving Office — since 15 February 2025, any person; if the agent is a lawyer, they must be a lawyer authorized to practice in El Salvador.

[Updating of Annex C(SV) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### SV El Salvador

The **National Center of Registries (CNR) (El Salvador)** has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the national filing fee, in **US dollars (USD)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. The new amount, applicable since 15 February 2025, is USD 50.

In addition, the Office notified of a change concerning its requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office — since 15 February 2025, any person; if the agent is a lawyer, they must be a lawyer authorized to practice in El Salvador.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (SV) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## RECEIPT AND TRANSFER OF FEES UNDER PCT RULE 96.2: COMMON TIMETABLE FOR FEE LISTS AND FEE TRANSFERS

Since 1 July 2020, any PCT receiving Office (“RO”), International Searching Authority (“ISA”), Authority specified for supplementary international search (“SISA”), or International Preliminary Examining Authority (“IPEA”) may participate, as a “participating Office”, in the exchange of PCT fees from one Office (the “collecting Office”) to another (the “beneficiary Office”) via the International Bureau (“IB”) for PCT purposes (the “WIPO Fee Transfer Service”), pursuant to PCT Rule 96.2 and in accordance with the provisions set out in Annex G of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT.

### Common Timetable for Fee Lists and Fee Transfers

Following consultations with participating Offices, in accordance with Annex G, Part II.2, paragraph 8 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, a common timetable has been established for the year 2026, specifying the latest dates, each month, by which a participating Collecting Office shall establish and transmit fee transfer information to the International Bureau; and by which the lists of fees to be transferred, and the amounts of fees indicated in said lists, shall be established and transmitted to, and from, the International Bureau.

The common timetable established for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2026 is as follows:

Cycle	Calendar month (2026)	PCT Fee Transfer Service Month (Invoice Period)	Last date for documentation notification to IB <sup>1</sup>	Receiving Office payment cut-off value date <sup>1</sup>	PCT Fee Transfer Service (FTS) Preliminary Statement	PCT Fee Transfer Service Settlement Date ( <i>upon confirmation of Final FTS Statement</i> ) <sup>2</sup>
1	January	Dec. 2025	Thursday, 22-Jan-2026	Friday 23-Jan-2026	Monday 26-Jan-2026	Friday 30-Jan-2026
2	February	Jan. 2026	Thursday 19-Feb-2026	Friday 20-Feb-2026	Monday 23-Feb-2026	Friday 27-Feb-2026
3	March	Feb. 2026	Thursday 19-Mar-2026	Friday 20-Mar-2026	Monday 23-Mar-2026	Friday 27-Mar-2026
4	April	Mar. 2026	Wednesday 22-Apr-2026	Thursday 23-Apr-2026	Friday 24-Apr-2026	Tuesday 28-Apr-2026
5	May	Apr. 2026	Thursday 21-May-2026	Friday 22-May-2026	Monday 25-May-2026	Friday 29-May-2026

<sup>1</sup> The list of PCT Applications and breakdown of PCT fees sent to the WIPO must reconcile with your payment to the WIPO.

<sup>2</sup> Please approve the Preliminary Statement before the settlement date.

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6	June	May 2026	Monday 22-Jun-2026	Tuesday 23-Jun-2026	Thursday 25-Jun-2026	Tuesday 30-Jun-2026
7	July	June 2026	Wednesday 22-Jul-2026	Thursday 23-Jul-2026	Friday 24-Jul-2026	Tuesday 28-Jul-2026
8	August	July 2026	Wednesday 19-Aug-2026	Thursday 20-Aug-2026	Monday 24-Aug-2026	Friday 28-Aug-2026
9	September	Aug. 2026	Tuesday 22-Sep-2026	Wednesday 23-Sep-2026	Thursday 24-Sep-2026	Tuesday 29-Sep-2026
10	October	Sept. 2026	Wednesday 21-Oct-2026	Thursday 22-Oct-2026	Friday 23-Oct-2026	Tuesday 27-Oct-2026
11	November	Oct. 2026	Thursday 19-Nov-2026	Friday 20-Nov-2026	Monday 23-Nov-2026	Friday 27-Nov-2026
12	December	Nov. 2026	Sunday 13-Dec-2026	Wednesday 16-Dec-2026	Thursday 17-Dec-2026	Tuesday 22-Dec-2026

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**AT Austria**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89bis.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Austrian Patent Office**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 20 February 2014 (pages 26 *et seq.*).

In particular, since 14 November 2025, the Office accepts the filing of international applications in electronic form using APO's web-based Online Filing. Consequently, the Office accepts international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

**As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT Filing
- APO's web-based Online Filing

[Updating of Annex C(AT) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

**EP European Patent Organisation**

Pursuant to PCT Rules 89bis.1(d) and 89bis.2, and in accordance with Sections 513(f), 610(e), and 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **European Patent Office (EPO)**, in its capacity as receiving Office, International Searching Authority, Authority specified for supplementary search and International Preliminary Examining Authority, has notified the International Bureau of an update to its notification published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 18 March 2021, pages 51 *et seq.* (as modified in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 3 June 2021, page 108, 30 June 2022, pages 165 *et seq.*, 18 August 2022, page 225, 19 May 2023, pages 117 *et seq.*, 5 December 2024, page 233 and 21 August 2025, page 133).

In particular, as to the means of transmittal of sequence listings, it will continue to accept sequence listings filed on physical media, in particular those exceeding the maximum upload size setting in the approved filing tools. With effect from 1 January 2026, the tools are: ePCT, Online Filing 2.0 and the EPO Contingency Upload Service.

The EPO accepts the following physical media: CD-R conforming to the ISO 9660 standard, DVD-R and DVD+R discs and USB flash drives.

[Updating of Annexes C(EP), D(EP), SISA(EP) and E(EP) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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### AL Albania

The **General Directorate of Industrial Property (GDIP) (Albania)** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the relevant provisions of its national law concerning provisional protection after international publication as follows:

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

Any international application designating Albania which has been published under PCT Article 21 shall give rise to the same rights as those which the Albanian law provides for the compulsory national publication of unexamined national applications as such. Provisional protection shall be effective as from the date on which an Albanian translation of the claims of the international application is published by the Office (Article 145, Albanian Industrial Property Law “on patents, utility models and supplementary protection certificates”).

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

(1) the international application is published in one of the EPO official languages: the applicant has the right to seek compensation reasonable in the circumstances for any infringement, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation of the claims in the application have been met (refer to Articles 67 and 153(4) EPC<sup>1</sup>); or

(2) the international application is published in a language which is not an EPO official language: the protection referred to in (1) does not become effective until the EPO publishes the international application supplied to it in one of its official languages (refer to Article 153(4) EPC and Article 134(2), Albanian Industrial Property Law “on patents, utility models and supplementary protection certificates”).

[Updating of Annex B(AL) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

### AZ Azerbaijan

The **Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan** has notified the International Bureau of changes concerning the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means of communication (PCT Rule 92.4) – with effect since 1 January 2024, the Office no longer accepts the filing of documents by means of facsimile or other like means.

[Updating of Annex B(AZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>1</sup> For further details on the national law relating to the EPC refer to <http://www.epo.org/patents/law/legal-texts/national-law-epc.html> in particular, “Rights conferred by a European patent application after publication pursuant to Article 93 EPC (Article 67 EPC)” and “Translations for obtaining provisional protection”.

## DZ Algeria

The **Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property** has notified the International Bureau that its telephone numbers are as follows:

Telephone: (213-44) 19 68 66  
(213-44) 19 64 24

[Updating of Annex B(DZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FEES PAYABLE UNDER THE PCT

### FI Finland

The **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of fees, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. These new amounts, applicable from 1 January 2026, are as follows:

Transmittal fee (PCT Rule 14):	EUR	140
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority (PCT Rule 26bis.3(d)):	EUR	550

[Updating of Annex C(FI) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## DESIGNATED (OR ELECTED) OFFICES

### DZ Algeria

The **Algerian National Institute of Industrial Property** has notified the International Bureau of changes to components of the national fee, in **Algerian dinars (DZD)**, payable to it in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. The changes and amounts, applicable since 1 January 2025, are as follows:

#### I – Company

National fees (must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)):

Filing fee and maintenance fee for the 1 <sup>st</sup> year	DZD 7,500 (+ 19% VAT)
Fee for priority claims	DZD 2,000 per priority (+ 19% VAT)
Publication fee	DZD 5,000 (+ 19% VAT)



—Surcharge for each set of 5 pages in excess of 10	DZD 1,200 (+ 19% VAT)
Maintenance fee: — from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> to the 5 <sup>th</sup> year	DZD 5,000 per year (+ 19% VAT)

## II – University, Research Centers, Individuals

National fees (must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)):

Filing fee and maintenance fee for the 1 <sup>st</sup> year	DZD 7,000 (+ 19% VAT)
Fee for priority claims	DZD 2,000 per priority (+ 19% VAT)
Publication fee	DZD 4,000 (+ 19% VAT)
—Surcharge for each set of 5 pages in excess of 10	DZD 1,200 (+ 19% VAT)
Maintenance fee: — from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> to the 5 <sup>th</sup> year	DZD 4,000 per year (+ 19% VAT)

## III – Start-ups and Incubators (project phase)

These fees apply to start-ups and incubators benefiting from the “innovative project” label.

National fees (must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1)):

Filing fee and maintenance fee for the 1 <sup>st</sup> year	DZD 6,500 (+ 19% VAT)
Fee for priority claims	DZD 2,000 per priority (+ 19% VAT)
Publication fee	DZD 3,000 (+ 19% VAT)
—Surcharge for each set of 5 pages in excess of 10	DZD 1,200 (+ 19% VAT)
Maintenance fee: — from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> to the 5 <sup>th</sup> year	DZD 3,000 per year (+ 19% VAT)

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (DZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## FI Finland

The **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has notified the International Bureau of changes in the amounts of certain components of the national fee, in **euros (EUR)**, payable to it as designated (or elected) Office and applicable from 1 January 2026. The new amounts of the respective components of the national fee are as follows:

For a patent:

Basic fee: <sup>2</sup>	EUR	580
Basic fee for an electronically-filed application: <sup>2</sup>	EUR	450
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 15: <sup>3</sup>	EUR	60
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation or copy: <sup>4</sup>	EUR	150
Annual fees for the first three years: <sup>5</sup>	EUR	220

For a utility model:

Registration fee <sup>2</sup>	EUR	310
for an application filed electronically: <sup>2</sup>	EUR	250
Additional fee for each claim in excess of 5: <sup>3</sup>	EUR	30
Additional fee for late furnishing of translation or copy: <sup>4</sup>	EUR	130

In addition, the Office has notified the International Bureau of a new amount of the fee for reinstatement of rights (PCT Rule 49.6(d)(i)), in **euros (EUR)**, payable to the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office. This amount, also applicable from 1 January 2026, is EUR 550.

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (FI), of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

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<sup>2</sup> This fee must be paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1).

<sup>3</sup> If not already complied with within 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 fixed in the invitation.

<sup>4</sup> Where the basic fee has been paid within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the translation or copy may be filed within two months from the expiration of that time limit, provided that the additional fee for late furnishing of the translation or copy has been paid within the above-mentioned time limit.

<sup>5</sup> The renewal fees for an international application in respect of fee years which have begun before the date on which the application was pursued under section 31 of the Patents Act or was taken up for processing under section 38 of the same Act, or which begin within two months of such date become in no event due until the last day of the month that falls two months after the date on which the application was pursued or otherwise prosecuted.

## **MX Mexico – Corrigendum**

The **Mexican Institute of Industrial Property** has notified the International Bureau that the information published in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 2 October 2025 (page 161) concerning requirements as to whether a copy of the international application is required upon entry into the national phase was erroneous.

A copy is required only if the Office has not received a copy of the international application from the International Bureau under PCT Article 20. This may be the case where the applicant expressly requests an earlier start of the national phase under PCT Article 23(2) or 40(2).

[Updating of the National Chapter, Summary (MX) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]

## **FILING AND PROCESSING IN ELECTRONIC FORM OF INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS AND CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS: NOTIFICATIONS UNDER PCT RULE 89bis.1(d)**

### **AZ Azerbaijan**

Pursuant to PCT Rule 89bis.1(d) and Section 710(b) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, the **Intellectual Property Agency of the Republic of Azerbaijan**, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified a change to its notification last published in its entirety in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) dated 26 November 2015 (pages 188 *et seq.*).

In particular, since 1 January 2024, the Office accepts the filing of international applications in electronic form using the PANAHA system. Consequently, the Office accepts international applications in electronic form according to the following requirements:

#### **As to electronic filing software (Section 710(a)(i)):**

- ePCT Filing
- PANAHA system

[Updating of Annex C(AZ) of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*]