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PCT Working Group Meeting Documents

The resumed eighteenth session and the nineteenth session of the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) Working Group, and the thirty-third session of the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation, are planned for 2 to 6 February 2026 in a hybrid format. Documents for the nineteenth session of the PCT Working Group and the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation are available respectively at:

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=89833

www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=89830

Reminder of WIPO's bank account changes

WIPO's bank accounts have fully transitioned from Credit Suisse to **UBS Switzerland**.

Starting from 31 March 2026, any payment made to its former Credit Suisse accounts will be rejected. To avoid delays in payment of any PCT-related fees to the International Bureau including in its capacity as receiving Office, please use only WIPO's new bank details at UBS Switzerland, reproduced below:

Swiss Francs (CHF) Account

- Account name: WIPO
- Bank: UBS Switzerland AG, Zurich, Switzerland
- IBAN: CH77 0024 0240 FP10 1035 6
- Swift: UBSWCHZH80A

US Dollars (USD) Account

- Account name: WIPO
- Bank: UBS Switzerland AG, Zurich, Switzerland
- IBAN: CH24 0024 0240 FP10 2324 1
- Swift: UBSWCHZH80A

Euro (EUR) Account

- Account name: WIPO
- Bank: UBS Switzerland AG, Zurich, Switzerland

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

- IBAN: CH67 0024 0240 FP10 2324 3
- Swift: UBSWCHZH80A

It should also be noted that payment of fees by opening a current account at WIPO is only available in Swiss Francs (CHF). Deposits in USD and EUR are not accepted.

For more information about how to pay PCT fees to WIPO, including its full bank details as indicated above, please consult: [Paying PCT Fees for International Patent Application](#).

New PCT Rules Strengthen International Patent Searches

New amendments to the PCT Regulations entered into force on 1 January 2026. Amendments to PCT Rules 34, 36 and 63 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 can be appointed and that it needs to continue to satisfy during its appointment. Nineteen additional national patent collections have been included.

Amendments to PCT Rules 33 and 64 had the effect of broadening the definition of relevant prior art for international search and preliminary examination to include non-written disclosures. At the same time, PCT International Searching Authorities and the patent Offices of Contracting States have begun exchanging the full text of patent applications, replacing image-only formats that were still used in some cases.

These changes will enable more comprehensive searches for applicants, with broader geographic coverage and types of prior art being identified. Most of the newly included patent collections are already available through the PATENTSCOPE database. Details on rule changes can be found at PCT Newsletter [12/2025](#). For more information on the rule change impacts, consult the news at:

www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/w/news/2026/broader-data-stronger-rights-new-pct-rules-strengthen-international-patent-searches

PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots: IP5 PPH Pilot Program Extended to 2029

According to a joint decision made by the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), the European Patent Office (EPO), the Japan Patent Office (JPO), the Ministry of Intellectual Property (MOIP) of the Republic of Korea, and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), the IP5 Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program will be extended for another three years, from 6 January 2026 to 5 January 2029. The program accepts PCT international work products, including written opinions of the ISA (WO-ISA) and international preliminary examination reports (IPER) as a basis for applicants to request accelerated processing of their patent applications.

For further information, refer to:

https://english.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2025/12/31/art_1340_203419.html

<https://www.uspto.gov/sites/default/files/documents/og-ip5extension-jan2026.pdf>

PPH is a fast track linking patent examination outcomes of different countries or regions, allowing patent examination authorities to speed up patent examination. The IP5 Patent

Prosecution Highway (PPH) pilot program started from 1 January 2014. Details can be found in PCT Newsletter [10/2013](#). Further information about IP5 PPH program can be found at:

<https://www.fiveipoffices.org/activities/ws/ip5pph>

New Version of WIPO Standard ST.3 Published in December 2025

A revised WIPO Standard ST.3 (RECOMMENDED STANDARD ON TWO-LETTER CODES FOR THE REPRESENTATION OF STATES, OTHER ENTITIES INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS) was published on the WIPO website on 18 December 2025, taking effect from that date.

The main revisions include:

- The addition of a two-letter code 'FM' for Micronesia (Federated States of).
- Editorial corrections in the French and Spanish versions to improve accuracy and ensure consistency across all language versions.

The revised WIPO Standard ST.3 is available in the following languages:

English: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/standards/part_03_standards

French: https://www.wipo.int/fr/web/standards/part_03_standards

Spanish: https://www.wipo.int/es/web/standards/part_03_standards

WIPO Standards provide a globally recognized common framework for managing and processing IP information and documentation. The complete list of WIPO Standards is published in Part 3 of the [WIPO Handbook on Intellectual Property Information and Documentation](#), which is the authoritative source for WIPO Standards, recommendations, and guidelines related to IP data, information, and documentation.

More information about WIPO Standards is available at:

www.wipo.int/en/web/standards

WIPO Global Awards 2026 open for startups and SMEs worldwide



The WIPO Global Awards celebrate startups and SMEs that use intellectual property (IP) to grow their businesses and generate positive impact. The first edition of the competition was launched in 2022 to recognize innovative and creative businesses that turn IP into real-world value.

The 2026 edition of the WIPO Global Awards is open between 15 January and [31 March 2026](#). Applications are accepted in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Spanish and Russian.

Entrepreneurs from all industries and all regions of the world can apply.

In 2026, 10 company awards will be offered to 5 startups and 5 SMEs selected from various sectors, and a new thematic award will be given to an SME in the sports sector (echoing the theme of World IP Day 2026), in addition to 2 Special Mentions (Best Woman Entrepreneur and Best Youth Entrepreneur).

The winners will gain international recognition through the WIPO-UN network system and will be offered a customized 6-month mentorship on IP strategy, commercialization, and business growth. They will also have chances to connect with investors, corporations, institutions, and business hubs worldwide. The winners will be invited to attend an Awards Ceremony in Geneva during the WIPO Assemblies to be held in July 2026.

To learn more about the Awards or apply, visit: www.wipo.int/en/web/awards/global

World Intellectual Property Day, 26 April 2026

IP and Sports: Ready, Set, Innovate!



The theme for World Intellectual Property Day 2026 is "IP and Sports", highlighting how IP drives creativity and innovation across the world of sports.

From cutting-edge equipment and game-changing technologies to inspiring brands and designs, IP rights power a dynamic sports culture that inspires and connects people everywhere. World IP Day 2026 celebrates the creators, inventors, and entrepreneurs whose passion and ideas drive the future of sports.

Find out more about [World IP Day](#).

The World IP Day 2026 Youth Video Competition has just been launched with a closing date of 15 March 2026. Join the competition and unleash your creativity by showing how IP fuels innovation in the world of sports, with the chance to win prizes of up to CHF 3,000. For further information go to:

www.wipo.int/en/web/ipday/2026/video-competition

More ideas for creating your own IP Day campaign are available at:

www.wipo.int/en/web/ipday/create-your-campaign

PCT Information Update

BA Bosnia and Herzegovina (fees)

The **Institute for Intellectual Property of Bosnia and Herzegovina** has notified corrections to the transmittal fee and the fee for requesting the preparation and transmission to the International Bureau (IB) of a priority document, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office.

The amounts are as follows:

Transmittal fee.....	BAM 60
Fee for priority document	BAM 30

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

BG Bulgaria (no longer accepts payment in Bulgarian lev from 1 February 2026)

As from 1 February 2026, payment of fees to the **Patent Office of the Republic of Bulgaria** can only be made in **euro (EUR)**. It will no longer be possible to pay fees in Bulgarian lev (BGN).

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

DK Denmark (fees)

As from 1 January 2026, the **Danish Patent and Trademark Office** has changed the transmittal fee and the fee for requesting the preparation and transmission to the IB of a priority document, payable to the Office in its capacity as receiving Office. The amounts are now as follows:

Transmittal fee.....	DKK 950
Fee for priority document	DKK 380

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

EA Eurasian Patent Organization (fees)

As from 1 February 2026, the **Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)** will change the amounts of several components of the national fee, in Russian roubles (RUB), payable to it as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Unitary procedural fee (for filing, search publication and other processing):RUB 70,000

Claim fee for each claim:

in excess of five:.....RUB 7,000

in excess of 20:RUB 7,500

in excess of 50:RUB 8,000

Examination fee:

for one invention:.....RUB 70,000

for a group of inventions including one independent claim:RUB 70,000

additional fee for the second independent claim:RUB 40,000

additional fee for each independent claim in excess of two claims:RUB 25,000

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

FI Finland (fees)

Since 1 January 2026, the **Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH)** has changed the fee for priority document, in euros (EUR), payable to it in its capacity as receiving Office. This amount now is:

– for a patent: per document, EUR 50.

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

IL Israel (fees)

The **Israel Patent Office** in its capacity as receiving Office has informed the IB of the following changes:

- as from 1 January 2026, the transmittal fee is ILS 656.
- as from 1 March 2026, the fee for priority document is ILS 104.

As from 1 January 2026, the Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office, has changed the amounts of the national filing fee and the fee for reinstatement of rights, which are:

national filing fee	ILS 2,402
fee for reinstatement of rights	ILS 240

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

SV El Salvador (number of copies on paper; who can act as agent)

The **National Center of Registries (CNR) (El Salvador)** has changed 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.

The Office has also informed about the requirements as to who can act as agent before the Office in its capacity as receiving Office or designated (or elected) Office, which are now as follows: any person residing in El Salvador; if the agent is a lawyer, they must be a lawyer authorized to practice in El Salvador.

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

Search fee and preliminary examination fee (Israel Patent Office)

The **Israel Patent Office** has notified the IB of amendments to Part I of Annex D ("Fees and Charges") of its Agreement with the International Bureau concerning its functioning as an ISA/IPEA. These amendments will enter into force on 1 March 2026 and the new amounts of relevant fees are as follows.

Search fee	ILS 4,203
Additional search fee	ILS 4,203
Preliminary examination fee	ILS 1,801
Late payment fee for preliminary examination	amount as set out in Rule 58bis.2
Additional preliminary examination fee	ILS 1,801
Late furnishing fee for sequence listings	ILS 540
Cost of copies per document	ILS 52

As from 1 March 2026, the equivalent amounts of the search fee charged by the ISA/IL, payable to the IB acting as receiving Office, have been established as follows: USD 1,333; CHF 1,064; EUR 1,142.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (IL) and Annex E (IL))

Patent and Utility Model Documents Forming Part of the Minimum Documentation (inclusion of National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France))

The **National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France)** has notified the IB under PCT Rule 34.1(d) of patent documents that will form part of the minimum documentation with effect from 8 March 2026.

Details of the patent documents published by the National Institute of Industrial Property (INPI) (France) were published in the [Official Notices](#) (PCT Gazette) on 8 January 2026. Details of other patent documents constituting the PCT minimum documentation can be found in the Official Notices (PCT Gazette) of 23 October 2025 and 30 October 2025.

New/Updated PCT Resources

Publication of Patent Cooperation Treaty and Regulations

The booklet containing the text of both the Patent Cooperation Treaty and the Regulations (WIPO Publication 274), updated as of 1 January 2026, has been published. The new booklet is available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, German, Italian, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish at:

www.wipo.int/publications/en/details.jsp?id=4829

Updated ISA and IPEA Agreement (Israel Patent Office)

The amended Agreement between the Government of Israel and the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization in relation to the functioning of the Israel Patent Office as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority under the Patent Cooperation Treaty, to enter into force on 1 March 2026, has been published at:

www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-agreements-ag-il-2026.pdf

PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination (ISPE) Guidelines in Russian

The modified PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination (ISPE) Guidelines to implement the amendments to the PCT Regulations coming into force on 1 January 2026, are now available in Russian, in addition to English, French and Spanish:

www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-ru-texts-ispe.pdf

Presentation slides of PCT Webinars

A series of 15 online webinars was recently presented by WIPO's PCT Consultant Carl Oppedahl with the support of WIPO:

Session 1: What is PCT? Why we care? Paris path versus PCT

Session 2: Planning for PCT and Paris, Article 4 of Paris, SAOSIT, Making use of WIPO DAS

Session 3: Selecting a Receiving Office, RO/US versus RO/IB

Session 4: Selecting an International Searching Authority

Session 5: Preparing a PCT Request – Making use of ePCT and getting benefit of validations, avoiding malpractice on priority claim mistakes

Session 6: Using workplace collaboration features of ePCT as you lead up to the PCT Filing, shared address book, external signatures, document reviews

Session 7: E-Filing of the PCT Application and docketing of PCT thereafter

Session 8: What to do when the International Search Report and Written Opinion arrive, do you file a Demand?

Session 9: Using ePCT for ‘actions’ such as 92bis requests, communicating with ISAs

Session 10: Mechanics of filing a Demand, steps before and after filing the Demand

Session 11: Understanding and using the five kinds of PCT declarations

Session 12: National-phase entry generally – tips for some Offices

Session 13: Choosing between US national-phase entry and bypass continuation

Session 14: Best practices and procedure for US national-phase entry

Session 15: Making use of PCT-PPH, and comparison with Track I

All the presentation materials, together with recordings to be posted, can be accessed for free from [his blog](#).

Upcoming PCT Trainings

PCT Basics Webinar Series: Episode 3 Mastering PCT time limits on 29 January

PCT Basics webinar series: Episode 3 – Mastering PCT time limits will take place on 29 January 2026 from 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Central European Time (UTC+1). The webinar will look at time limits in the PCT, how they are calculated, docketing time limits, and the most important Forms that trigger PCT time limits. The webinar will be presented by Mr. Matthias Reischle-Park, Deputy Director, PCT Legal and User Relations Division.

The webinar is free – register [here](#) to secure your spot.

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

The WIPO Academy online basic distance learning course on the PCT (DL101PCT) provides an introduction to and general overview of the PCT System. The course is free and available in 10 PCT publication languages. Learning is through self-study with assessment questions to measure your understanding and progress. The whole course takes around 4 hours. After successful completion of all the course modules, you can download a course certificate. Registration is open from 15 January 2026 to 12 December 2026 at:

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

Practical Advice

Essential information to be included in an international application if a last-minute filing cannot be avoided

Q.: *Our client has instructed our patent firm only this morning, the last day of the priority period, to file a PCT application. We have the description, claims and drawings, which will be the same as the priority application. We still need to contact the client to double-check whether we have all the information desired to be included in the application but we are concerned about missing the priority period. What information must we submit with the international application before the priority period expires?*

A.: Before the priority period expires, you need to submit everything that is necessary to obtain an international filing date and any information that you cannot add or correct subsequently without affecting the international filing date.

The requirements for obtaining an international filing date are listed in [PCT Article 11\(1\)](#). As far as the bibliographic data is concerned, in addition to the applicant's name, it is essential to indicate a country of nationality or residence which is a PCT Contracting State. You need this information to show that the applicant does not obviously lack, for reasons of residence or nationality, the right to file an international application with the receiving Office (RO). Residence or nationality depends on national law of the relevant Contracting State and is determined by the RO. PCT [Article 11\(1\)\(i\)](#) and [\(ii\)](#) further require that the application be filed with a competent RO and be in a prescribed language. However, if these conditions are not fulfilled, PCT [Rule 19.4](#) requires the RO to transmit the application to the International Bureau as a receiving Office (RO/IB), which is a competent RO for all Contracting States and accepts any language for the purpose of according an international filing date.

You must include the name, address and nationality of the applicant in the request form filed in the application. However, provided you can demonstrate that the applicant has the right to file the international application with the receiving Office for reasons of residency or nationality, if there are inaccuracies in the address, you may be able to request a change to be recorded under PCT [Rule 92bis](#) after filing without affecting the international filing date that has been accorded.

To obtain an international filing date, the application must also include an indication that it is intended as a PCT application and the designation of at least one PCT Contracting State. These indications are generated by the electronic filing systems accepted by the various ROs for PCT applications, noting that PCT [Rule 4.9](#) states that the filing of a PCT Request constitutes the designation of all Contracting States that are bound by the PCT on the international filing date.

The Request must be signed, and where it is signed by the agent, in general a power of attorney signed by the applicant must be furnished (PCT [Rules 4.1\(d\)](#), [4.15](#), [26.2bis\(a\)](#), [51bis.1\(a\)\(vi\)](#) and [90](#)). However, most ROs have waived the requirement that a power be furnished and therefore will not invite you to furnish one if it is missing (for details about each RO, consult the [PCT Applicant's Guide](#), Annex C and the webpage on [Waivers of powers of attorney requirement](#)). Moreover, you can add a missing signature and correct a defect relating to the signature under Article 14(1)(a)(i) and PCT [Rule 26](#) after filing, without affecting the international filing date. You should therefore not continue trying to obtain the applicant's (or agent's) signature at the risk of missing the priority period. It is important, however, that you have the power of attorney in your own file as soon as possible in case you need to withdraw the application later (in which case the signature of all applicants is always required—PCT [Rule](#)

[90bis.5](#)). Also, in the national phase, designated Offices may ask you to submit any power which had not been submitted in the international phase.

You may also want to ask the client for other details at this stage, even it is possible to add or correct them within specific time limits and maintain the international filing date accorded to the application. For example, priority claims (PCT Rules [4.10](#) and [26bis](#)), declarations (PCT Rules [4.17](#) and [26ter](#)) and any indications relating to a designation as continuation or continuation-in-part (PCT Rules [4.11](#) and [26quater](#)) may be added or corrected without affecting the international filing date. It is also possible to submit an abstract for the international application after the international filing date.

Furthermore, fees may be paid within one month from the international filing date (PCT Rules [14.1\(c\)](#), [15.3](#) and [16.1\(f\)](#)), and may be even paid within an additional month subject to the payment of a late payment fee (refer to PCT [Rule 16bis](#)). As the RO will not transmit the search copy before the search fee has been paid, it is recommended to pay as soon as possible as this could affect when you receive the international search report and written opinion. Any required translation for the international search and/or publication should also be furnished as soon as possible; for details, please refer to PCT [Rule 12.3](#) and [12.4](#).

Further information can be found in the Practical Advice in the following issues of the *PCT Newsletter*:

- Signature and right to act as an agent: [07-08/2025](#), [03/2025](#), [02/2024](#), [06/2020](#)
- Declarations: [02/2014](#)
- Abstract: [08/2001](#)

<h2 style="text-align: center;">PCT Webinars</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">(https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html)</p>			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
29 January 2026 online 15:00 - 16:00 CET	English	PCT Basics webinar series: Episode 3 – Mastering PCT time limits Speaker: Mr. Matthias Reischle-Park, Deputy Director, PCT Legal and User Relations Division, WIPO	Register here Find more information at: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/training/index

Other IP events	
International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva (Switzerland), From 11 to 15 March 2026.	The 51st International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place in Geneva from 11 to 15 March 2026.
Further information is available at: https://inventions-geneva.ch/en/home/	
World IP Day, 26 April 2026	World IP Day is celebrated globally. For information visit: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/ipday/2026/index

Find the latest information on [PCT training](#).

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30), the supplementary search handling fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—refer to footnotes 2 and 14. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2} (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EA EP RU
AP	USD 100 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 52	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
AU	AUD none	AUD 2,526	28	—	380	570	AU KR
AZ	AZN 30	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EA EP RU
BA	BAM 60	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
BG	EUR 40.90 (or BGN 80 From 1.2.26, EUR only)	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP RU
BH	BHD 70	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	AT EP SA US
BN	BND 150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR SG
BR	BRL ⁸ 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP SE US
BW	USD 32	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EP
BY	BYN 110.25	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EA EP RU
BZ	BZD 300	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	CA EP
CA	CAD 446.03	CAD 2,327	26	—	350	525	CA
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ⁹ 130	CLP eq USD ⁹ 1,667	eq USD ⁹ 19	—	eq USD ⁹ 251	eq USD ⁹ 376	BR CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY none	CNY 11,910	130	—	1,790	2,690	CN EP ¹⁰
CO	COP online: 360,000 on paper: 476,500	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 237 on paper: 289	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	CL EP ES
CU	CUP 2,400	CUP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CV	EUR ^{—11}	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	AT BR EP KR

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
CY	EUR 191	EUR 1,428	16	—	—	—	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP XV
DE	EUR 90	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
DJ	USD none or eq DJF	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT EG EP
DK	DKK 950	DKK 10,660	120	—	1,600	2,400	EP SE XN
DO	USD 360	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	CL EP ES US
DZ	DZD 10,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP
EA	RUB 2,000	USD 1,667 or EUR 1,428	19 16	—	251	376	EA EP RU
EC	USD 300	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	CL EP ES
EE	EUR 120	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR 150	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 1,242	14	—	187	280	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	GED eq USD ¹² 100	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹³ 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
HN	USD 200	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EP ES
HR	EUR 26.54	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
HU	HUF 15,500	HUF 556,500	6,300	—	83,700	125,500	EP XV
IB	CHF ¹⁴ 100 or EUR ¹⁴ 107 or USD ¹⁴ 125	CHF 1,330 or EUR 1,428 or USD 1,667	15 16 19	100 107 125	200 215 251	300 322 376	Refer to footnote 15
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR RU SG
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
IL	ILS 656	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EP IL US
IN	Paper filings: INR 3,500 ¹⁶ INR 17,600 ¹⁷ No fee for e-filings	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
IQ	IQD 77,075 or USD 55	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AU CA EG EP TR
IR	IRR 500,000 (natural persons) IRR 2,500,000 (legal persons)	IRR eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 20,300	ISK 202,400	2,300	—	30,400	45,700	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	AT AU CA EP
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 ¹⁸	JPY 250,500	2,800	—	—	56,500	EP IN JP SG
KE	USD 250 or KES 5,000 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS 4,000 ¹⁹	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EA EP RU
KH	KHR 420,000	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	CN EP JP KR SG

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Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]
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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
KN	XCD 50	XCD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	EP US
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	—	300	AT AU JP ²⁰ KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EA EP RU
LR	USD 50	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ^{—11}	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP XV
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,428	16	—	—	—	EP
LV	EUR 70	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
LY	LYD ^{—11}	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP
MA	MAD none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT EP RU SE
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	200	300	EP
MN	none	CHF 1,330	15	—	—	—	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,428	16	—	—	—	EP
MU	MUR 5,000	MUR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT AU EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EP
MX	USD 93.87 ²¹ (natural persons)	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
	USD 375.50 ²¹ (legal persons)						
MY	MYR 550 ²²	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 16,600	190	—	2,500	3,740	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,864	32	—	431	646	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ^{—11}	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT EP RU SE
OM	OMR 40	OMR eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	AT AU EG EP US
PA	USD 240	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	ATBRCLEPESKRUS
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	AU
PH	PHP 4,200	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AU EP JP KR PH US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP XV
PT	EUR online: 12.57 on paper: 25.14	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	EG EP SA US
RO	RON 508	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP RU
RS	RSD 10,320 ²³	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP XV
RU	RUB 2,000	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EA EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	SAR 6,250	70	—	940	1,410	CA CN EG EP JP KR RU SA SG US
SC	USD ^{—11}	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 15,680	180	—	2,360	3,540	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 2,156	24	—	324	486	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
SK	EUR online: 45 EUR on paper: 90 ²⁴	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP XV
SV	none ²⁵	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	CL EP ES
SY	SYP 5,000	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT EG EP RU

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1, 2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1, 2, 3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS — ¹¹	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EA EP RU
TM	USD — ¹¹	USD 1,667	19	—	—	—	EA EP RU
TN	TND 100	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP
TR	none	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	EP TR
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT CL EP SE SG US
UA	UAH (or eq EUR or USD) ²⁶ 2,600	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,667	19	—	—	—	EP UA
UG	UGX refer to Office	UGX eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	AT EP SG
US	USD 285 ²⁷ small entity ²⁸ : 114 ²⁷ micro entity ²⁸ : 57 ²⁷	USD 1,667	19	125	251	—	AU EP IL JP KR PH SG US
UY	UYU eq USD 100	UYU eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	BR CL EP ES JP
UZ	UZS 245,000 ²⁹	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EP RU
VN	VND 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	—	200	300	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
WS	SAT 200	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	EP PH
ZA	ZAR 525	ZAR 28,760	320	—	4,320	6,490	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹									
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,845	CHF 1,719	KRW 3,075,000	SGD 2,787	USD 2,154	ZAR 37,170				
AU	AUD 2,200	CHF 1,158	EUR 1,243	KRW 2,075,000	NZD 2,494	SGD 1,878				
	USD 1,452	ZAR 25,050								
BR ⁸	BRL 2,510	CHF 375	EUR 403	USD 470						
CA	CAD 2,380.26	CHF 1,360	EUR 1,460	USD 1,705						
CL	USD 2,000	CHF 1,596	EUR 1,713							
	In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² :			USD 400	CHF 319	EUR 343				
	In case of filing by a university ³¹			USD 300	CHF 239	EUR 257				
	CNY 2,100	CHF 235	EUR 252	USD 294						
EA	For searches carried out in Russian:									
	RUB 9,000	CHF 86	EUR 93	USD 108						
	For searches carried out in English:									
	RUB 40,000	CHF 384	EUR 412	USD 481						
EG ³²	EGP 4,000	CHF 67	EUR 72	USD 84						
EP ³³	EUR 1,845	CHF 1,719	CNY 15,390	DKK 13,780	GBP 1,605	HUF 717,900				
	ISK 261,700	JPY 323,700	NOK 21,460	NZD 3,701	SEK 20,270	SGD 2,787				
ES ³³	EUR 1,845	CHF 1,719	USD 2,154							
FI	EUR 1,845	CHF 1,719	USD 2,154							
IL	ILS 4,101	CHF 998	EUR 1,071	USD 1,251						
	(From 1.3.2026:									
	ILS 4,203	CHF 1,064	EUR 1,142	USD 1,333						
IN	INR 10,000	CHF 90	EUR 96	JPY 16,900	USD 113					
	In case of filing by a natural person, startup, small entity or an educational institution:									
	INR 2,500	CHF 22	EUR 24	JPY 4,200	USD 28					
JP ³⁴	For IAs in Japanese:									
	JPY 143,000	CHF 759	EUR 815	KRW 1,356,000	USD 952					
	For IAs in English:									
	JPY 169,000	CHF 897	EUR 963	SGD 1,455	USD 1,125					
KR ³⁵	For IAs in Korean:									
	KRW 450,000	AUD 479	CHF 252	EUR 270	NZD 543					
	SGD 409	USD 316								
	For IAs in English:									
	KRW 1,200,000	AUD 1,276	CHF 672	EUR 721	NZD 1,447					
PH	USD 600	CHF 479	EUR 514							
	Small entity or government ³⁶ :									
	USD 200	CHF 200	CHF 160	EUR 171						
RU	For searches carried out in Russian:									
	RUB 9,000	CHF 86	EUR 93	USD 108						
	For searches carried out in English:									
	RUB 45,000	CHF 432	EUR 464	USD 541						
SA	SAR 1,000	CHF 213	EUR 228	USD 267						
SE	SEK 20,270	CHF 1,719	DKK 13,780	EUR 1,845	ISK 261,700	NOK 21,460				
SG	SGD 2,350	CHF 1,449	EUR 1,556	JPY 272,900	KRW 2,582,000	USD 1,816				
TR	TRY 89,820	CHF 1,719	EUR 1,845	USD 2,154						
UA	For IAs in Ukrainian or Russian:									
	EUR 100	CHF 93	USD 117							
	For IAs in English, French or German:									
	EUR 300	CHF 280	USD 350							
US	USD 2,400	CHF 1,915	EUR 2,056	NZD 4,124	ZAR 41,410					
	For small entity ²⁸ :									
	USD 960	CHF 766	EUR 822	NZD 1,649	ZAR 16,560					
	For micro entity ²⁸ :									
	USD 480	CHF 383	EUR 411	NZD 825	ZAR 8,280					
XN	EUR 1,845	DKK 13,780	CHF 1,719	ISK 261,700	NOK 21,460	SEK 20,270				
XV	EUR 1,845	CHF 1,719	HUF 717,900	USD 2,154						

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees

(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 37}	
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 792 – for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,109 – for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,584	CHF 200	
EP		CHF 1,719 ³³	CHF 200
FI		CHF 1,719	CHF 200
RU		CHF 115 CHF 182 ³⁸	CHF 200
SE		CHF 1,719	CHF 200
SG		CHF 1,449	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: – for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority:	CHF 1,719 CHF 10	CHF 200
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 84 – for a search of only the European and North American documentation: CHF 84 – for a search of only the Russian language documentation of the former USSR and the Ukrainian language documentation: CHF 65 – for a search where a declaration referred to in PCT Article 17(2)(a) has been made because of subject matter referred to in PCT Rule 39.1(iv): CHF 56	CHF 200	
XN	– for a full search: – for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish:	CHF 1,719 CHF 499	CHF 200
XV	– for a full search: – for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak:	CHF 1,654 CHF 512	CHF 200

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

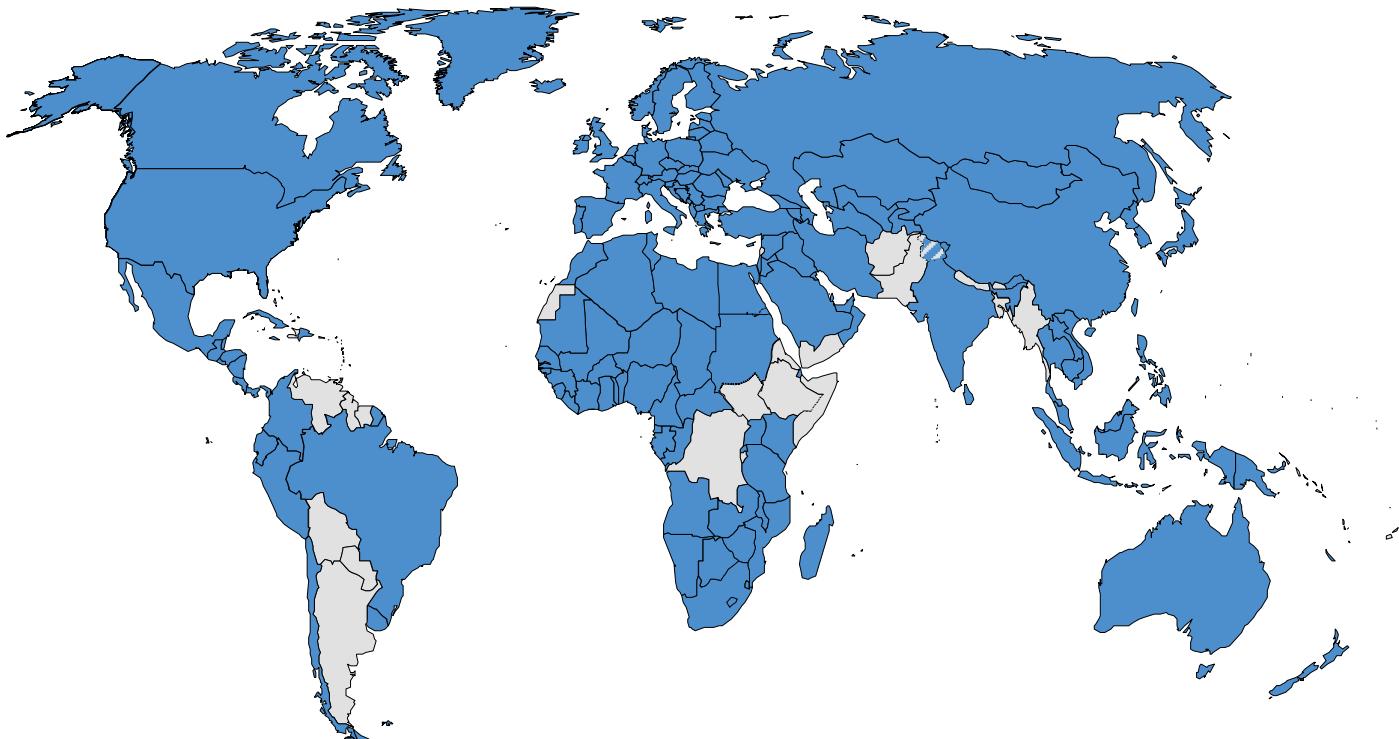
(amounts on 1 January 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁹			Handling fee ^{2, 39} (CHF 200)	
AT	EUR 1,749 ³⁰			EUR	215
AU	AUD 590 820 ⁴⁰			AUD	380
BR	BRL 930 ⁸			BRL eq CHF	200
CA	CAD 1,190.13			CAD	350
	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400 in case of filing by a university ³¹ : USD 300			USD	251
CN	CNY 1,500			CNY	1,790
EA	Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 6,750 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 24,000 Where ISR was prepared by Eurasian Patent Office: Examination carried out in Russian: RUB: 4,500 Examination carried out in English: RUB: 16,000			USD	251
EG	EGP 3,000			USD	251
EP	EUR 1,915 ³³			EUR	215
ES	EUR 595.37 ³³			EUR	215
FI	EUR 690			EUR	215
IL	ILS 1,758 (from 1.3.26: ILS 1,801)			ILS	822
	If ISR prepared by ISA/IN: INR 10,000; in case of filing by a natural person, startup, small entity or an educational institution: INR 2,500 If ISR not prepared by ISA/IN: INR 12,000; in case of filing by a natural person, startup, small entity or an educational institution: INR 3,000			USD	251
JP ³⁴	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000			JPY	37,700
KR	KRW 450,000			KRW	357,000
PH	USD 300 Small entity or government ³⁶ : USD 150			USD	251
RU	For examination carried out in Russian: RUB 5,000 ⁴¹ 7,000 ⁴² For examination carried out in English: RUB 18,000 ⁴¹ 26,000 ⁴²			USD	251
SA	SAR 600			SAR	940
SE	SEK 5,000			SEK	2,360
SG	SGD 900			SGD	324
TR	TRY 1,000			CHF	200
UA	If the ISR has been prepared by ISA/UA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 160 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 50 If the ISR has been prepared by another ISA: – for IAs in English, French or German: EUR 180 – for IAs in Russian or Ukrainian: EUR 70			EUR	215
US	USD 705 880 ⁴³ For small entity ²⁸ : USD 282 352 ⁴³ For micro entity ²⁸ : USD 141 176 ⁴³			USD	251
XN	DKK 5,000			DKK	1,600
XV	EUR 900			EUR	215

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>. Note that the PCT Assembly adopted an Understanding, with effect from 11 October 2017, which clarifies that this fee reduction is intended to apply only in the case where the applicants indicated in the request are the sole and true owners of the application and under no obligation to assign, grant, convey or license the rights in the invention to another party which is not eligible for the fee reduction.
- 3 Where the IA contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should 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. If the receiving Office does not accept international applications in electronic form in such format, the international application will be transmitted to the International Bureau as receiving Office (PCT Rule 19.4(a)(ii-bis)).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the IA is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 This fee is reduced by 50% under certain conditions. For further details, refer to Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) No. 10/25 of 9 May 2025.
- 9 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 10 The EPO is available as International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority as of 1 December 2020 as a pilot project. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/service-support/faq/own-file/cnipa-epo-pilot.html> and to the CNIPA's website at: https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2020/10/20/art_53_153571.html. The pilot project has been extended until 30 November 2031. For further details, please refer to the EPO's website at: <https://www.epo.org/en/news-events/news/epo-and-cnipa-extend-pct-isa-pilot-until-2031> and to the CNIPA's website at: https://www.cnipa.gov.cn/art/2025/9/24/art_53_201732.html
- 11 The amount of this fee is not yet known. The Office should be consulted for the applicable fee amount.
- 12 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is the inventor, a higher educational institution or an independent scientific research unit and by 90% where the applicant is a student, a pupil or pensioner.
- 13 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 14 This fee is not payable in respect of IAs filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 15 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an IA filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the IA had been filed with the receiving Office of, or acting for, the Contracting State of which the applicant (or any of the applicants) is a resident or national. Refer also to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (IB).
- 16 The fee for paper filings for natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies) or educational institution(s).
- 17 The fee for paper filings for other(s), alone or with natural person(s) or startup(s) or small entity(ies) or educational institution(s).
- 18 This fee is reduced if the application is filed in Japanese by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. Further details on eligibility for the fee reduction are available at: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf
- 19 This fee is reduced by 90% if the applicant is an individual. The amount does not include the postage/mailing costs which must be paid by the applicant directly to the express delivery service (e.g. DHL). For non-residents of Kyrgyzstan, the equivalent amount of the fee can be paid in a freely convertible currency, in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of the Kyrgyz Republic and applicable on the date of payment.
- 20 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for IAs filed in Japanese or for which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3.
- 21 This fee includes value added tax (VAT) of 16%.
- 22 Plus, for paper filings: MYR 5 for one to ten pages, MYR 10 for 11 to 20 pages, MYR 40 for 21 to 50 pages, MYR 60 for 51 pages or more.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% for online filings.
- 25 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 26 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 80%.
- 27 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 28 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, refer to 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-51 and R-59), respectively, at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 29 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <https://my.ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 30 The fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 31 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee. For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, refer to: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>.
- 32 This fee is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 33 The search and preliminary examination fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, and the supplementary search fee in the case of the EPO, are reduced by 75% under certain conditions. For further information, refer to the relevant notes in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP and ES) at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/guide/index.html>
- 34 This fee is reduced for applications filed in Japanese, or for applications in respect of which a translation into Japanese has been furnished under PCT Rule 12.3, by applicants who are eligible for fee reductions, such as small or medium-sized enterprises, micro enterprises and academic institutions. For further details refer to: https://www.jpo.go.jp/system/process/tesuryo/genmen/genmen20190401/document/index/leaflet_e.pdf
- 35 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a national of, and has a residence or business domicile in, one of the following States: Cabo Verde, Cambodia, Colombia, Indonesia, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Malaysia, Mexico, Mongolia, Peru, the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Thailand, Viet Nam.
- 36 Applicable where the applicant is a small entity which refers to any natural or juridical person whose assets are worth not more than one hundred million pesos (P100M); or any entity, agency, office, bureau or unit of the Philippine government including government-owned or controlled corporations, state universities and colleges and government-owned or government-run schools.
- 37 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 38 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).
- 39 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 40 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 41 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 42 In all cases where footnote 41 does not apply.
- 43 Payable when the international search was not carried out by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) (provided that the USPTO is a competent International Preliminary Examining Authority in the particular case—refer to *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (US)).

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AL	Albania (EP)	DE	Germany (EP)	IT	Italy (EP) ³	MR	Mauritania (OA) ²	SL	Sierra Leone (AP)
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BG	Bulgaria (EP)	FR	France (EP) ²	KR	Republic of Korea	NL	Netherlands (EP) ²	TJ	Tajikistan (EA)
BH	Bahrain	GA	Gabon (OA) ²	KW	Kuwait	NO	Norway (EP)	TM	Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ	Benin (OA) ²	GB	United Kingdom (EP)	KZ	Kazakhstan (EA)	NZ	New Zealand	TN	Tunisia ⁴
BN	Brunei Darussalam	GD	Grenada	LA	Lao People's Democratic Republic ⁴	OM	Oman	TR	Türkiye (EP)
BR	Brazil	GE	Georgia ⁴	LC	Saint Lucia	PA	Panama	TT	Trinidad and Tobago
BW	Botswana (AP)	GH	Ghana (AP)	LI	Liechtenstein (EP)	PE	Peru	TZ	United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY	Belarus (EA)	GM	Gambia (AP)	LK	Sri Lanka	PG	Papua New Guinea	UA	Ukraine
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CG	Congo (OA) ²	GT	Guatemala	LU	Luxembourg (EP)	QA	Qatar	UZ	Uzbekistan
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1 Extension of European patent possible.

2 May only be designated for a regional patent (the "national route" via the PCT has been closed).

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

4 Validation of European patent possible.

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

6 This Office has made a declaration under PCT Article 64(1)(a) and is not bound by Chapter II of the PCT.

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

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