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WIPO introduces new sector lead for patents and technology

Laura Peter of the United States begins term as Deputy Director General

WIPO has a new [senior management team](#) including a new strategic lead for the Patents and Technology Sector.

Laura Peter began her six-year term as Deputy Director General on 1 October. She is responsible for administering the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) system, the Patent Law Treaty and the Budapest Treaty, among others.

She also takes charge of WIPO's programs relating to the technology sector such as standard essential patents, legislative advice on trade secrets and patents, and the modernization of WIPO's services and architecture for the progressive development of the international patent system.

Ms. Peter brings extensive experience in patent law, IP administration and the technology sector.

Her previous roles include serving as a Deputy Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office and overseeing IP and technology transfer for the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, as well as numerous engagements as a corporate lawyer and legal consultant.

She commented: "A strong global intellectual property system is essential to transforming ideas into technologies that improve lives, strengthen economies, and help address the world's greatest challenges.

"I look forward to working with WIPO's outstanding staff, Member States, intellectual property offices, innovators, universities, and industry to advance WIPO's mission of strengthening IP systems around the world, and ensuring the PCT system is trusted, technically excellent, and efficient in supporting innovation and economic growth."



Image: WIPO/Berrod

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Global Innovation Index 2026 reveals world's most innovative economies

Switzerland heads the ranking once again, but developing countries are rising

WIPO has released the 2026 edition of the Global Innovation Index (GII), its annual analysis of innovation performance.

The report uses 79 indicators to comprehensively evaluate and rank the innovation ecosystems of 139 economies and identify major global innovation trends.

As in 2025, Switzerland, Sweden, the United States, the Republic of Korea and Singapore are once again the world's most innovative economies. No new economy has entered the top 15, and China, in 10th place, is the only middle-income economy in the top 30.

But India (now at number 38), Viet Nam (43), Türkiye (45), the Philippines (52), Morocco (54) and Indonesia (55) continue their long-term move up the rankings, while Saudi Arabia (42), Qatar (47), Mauritius (50), Brazil (53), Jordan (60) and Bahrain (64) have also made sustained advances in recent years.

This year's report includes a special analysis of deep science entrepreneurship – startups and spinouts in fields such as advanced materials, energy science and health technology, where development cycles are typically longer and more capital-intensive than in software and other digital-native industries. The research highlights the critical importance of patenting for such businesses: 49% of deep science startups hold patents, while the rate for other startups is just 15%.

Access the [full GI report](#) and [explore the data](#) on the WIPO website.



WIPO launches Global IP Assignment Platform pilot

Project underway for new digital service

WIPO has launched the pilot phase of a new digital service for recording changes in the ownership of registered IP rights around the world.

The Global Intellectual Property Assignment Platform (GIPAP) aims to transform the IP assignment process by providing a simpler, faster and more affordable digital service for filing assignments across jurisdictions. The platform will serve as a clearinghouse enabling users to prepare, submit and track assignment filings for multiple IP Offices through a single guided process.

The GIPAP is being developed through extensive consultation with partner IP Offices and other stakeholders. For more information, visit the [project webpage](#).

Current Account at WIPO becomes WIPO Wallet

Secure deposit account offers simplified digital payment for regular service users

WIPO has rebranded the secure deposit account that forms part of its digital payment services.

Current Account at WIPO has officially become WIPO Wallet – a fast, reliable and cost-effective way to pay WIPO fees related to PCT applications as well as other services such as arbitration and mediation.

WIPO Wallet is a deposit account, managed in Swiss Francs, designed to simplify the payment process for customers who regularly carry out transactions with WIPO. Requirements include:

- an initial deposit of CHF 200; and
- at least four transactions per calendar year.

Existing WIPO Current Account holders do not need to take any action. Your account has automatically become a WIPO Wallet. Your funds, balance, and account settings remain unchanged, and all transactions will continue to be processed as usual.

If you regularly file PCT applications with the receiving Office of the International Bureau but do not already have a WIPO Wallet account, consider [opening one](#) to benefit from a simpler, more efficient way to manage your payments to WIPO.

Advanced PCT Seminar

WIPO's annual Advanced PCT Seminar was held at the Organization's Geneva headquarters on 30 September and 1 October 2026.

Seasoned PCT users including patent attorneys, paralegals and IP Office professionals joined senior WIPO staff from the PCT team at the International Bureau to review best practices and discuss recent and pending developments in the PCT System. The program included interactive workshops and roundtable sessions to facilitate the exchange of views and experiences.

Topics raised included (among others): requirements for the provision of information in international applications; possible disclosure of information; use of declarations when filing an international application; filing requirements for drawings; possible considerations in choosing a receiving Office; and requirements for signature.

This year's program included a special focus on the national phase in selected Asian patent Offices including the China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA), the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the Ministry of Intellectual Property of the Republic of Korea (MOIP).

Participants were also briefed on several aspects of the ePCT system including [filing through DOCX format](#), and had a guided tour of PCT operations at the International Bureau.

The seminar was an in-person only event and discussions were not recorded, but many of the points covered will feature in upcoming Practical Advice articles in this *Newsletter*. Experienced PCT users are encouraged to join future advanced seminars, and you can also [contact WIPO](#) to discuss any specific training requirements.

PCT information update

KZ Kazakhstan (fees)

Since 1 January 2026, several fees payable in Kazakh tenge (KZT) to the National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan) in its capacity as receiving Office have changed:

Transmittal fee ([PCT Rule 14](#)): KZT 10,631.40

Fee for priority document ([PCT Rule 17.1\(b\)](#)):

— in case of filing by a legal entity KZT 2,828.08

— in case of filing by a natural person.....KZT 1,139.28

Since the same date, the Office has also changed the amounts of components of the national fee payable to it as designated (or elected) Office:

For a patent:

Filing fee and fee for formal examination KZT 21,045.88

Fee for substantive examination KZT 69,350.60

Annual fee for the first three years, per year KZT 21,045.88

For a utility model:

Filing fee KZT 17,038.08

Annual fee for the first three years, per year KZT 17,038.08

In addition, the fee for reinstatement of rights ([PCT Rule 49.6\(d\)\(i\)](#)) has changed since the same date and is now KZT 32,660.96.

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

MG Madagascar (Receiving Office functions)

The Industrial Property Office of Madagascar has notified the International Bureau that it will act as receiving Office for applicants who are residents or nationals of Madagascar, with effect from 2 January 2027.

SY Syrian Arab Republic (Office name and contact details)

The name, location and mailing address and website address of the Office have changed and are now as follows:

Name of Office: Directorate of Commercial and Industrial Property Protection
(Syrian Arab Republic)

Location and
mailing address: Ministry of Economy and Industry
General Directorate of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection
Rukn Aldeen Facing Ibn Alnafis
Damascus
Syrian Arab Republic

Website: <https://sit.mitcp.gov.sy>

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B (SY))

Search fee and other fees relating to international search (European Patent Organisation)

From 1 December 2026, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in Australian dollars (AUD) for international searches carried out by the European Patent Office.

The new amount is indicated in Fee Table I(b).

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

Upcoming PCT trainings

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 languages. Learning is through self-study with assessment questions to measure your understanding and progress. After successful completion of all modules, you can download a course certificate. Registration for the current session is open until 30 November 2026 via the [WIPO Academy webpage](#).

Special feature: Eyes on the Prize

Nobel-winning discovery has opened up a new area of innovation and patenting

The Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine 2026, which was announced on 5 October, highlights once again how scientific curiosity can pave the way for real-world innovation.

Karl Deisseroth, Peter Hegemann and Georg Nagel were awarded equal shares of the Prize for their path-breaking development of optogenetics, a new technique that uses light to control nerve cells in living systems – including the human brain.

Optogenetics allows researchers to map neural circuits in detail, enhancing understanding and potentially treatment of a huge range of disorders. These wide-ranging practical applications grew out of basic scientific research.

Professor Hegemann became intrigued by the long-standing mystery of how a single-celled alga called *Chlamydomonas* can rapidly detect and swim towards light. He and Professor Nagel isolated a light-sensitive protein in the alga and discovered that it could be introduced genetically into the cells of other living organisms so that those cells would produce an electrical signal when exposed to light.

Professor Deisseroth built on that work, including through collaborations with Hegemann and Nagel, to develop the method now called optogenetics, in which light is used to switch nerve cells off and on, allowing researchers to identify the function of specific neural circuits.

Their shared discoveries have opened the way to an abundance of innovation and patent activity. As of mid-October 2026, a search for “optogenetics” in the PATENTSCOPE database returns more than 7,000 results, including more than 2,000 international applications through the PCT. Two of the Nobel laureates themselves have sought patent protection for numerous inventions: Deisseroth is mentioned as an inventor on 142 applications in various national jurisdictions, mainly the United States, and Hegemann features among the co-inventors in 15 of them. Inventors from around the world are now investigating diverse possible applications of

optogenetics, from treating neurological disorders like Alzheimer's disease to healing wounds, relieving sciatic neuralgia and restoring vision in patients with certain retinal diseases.

For more information about the Prize-winning discoveries, visit the [Nobel Prize website](#).

Practical Advice

Communications usually received from Offices during the international preliminary examination procedure under Chapter II of the PCT

Q: What communications might an applicant expect to receive when they file a demand for international preliminary examination under PCT Chapter II, assuming there are no formality defects or issues relating to unity of invention?

A: [Last month's Practical Advice](#) outlined the main features of the international preliminary examination procedure under Chapter II of the PCT. We noted that this is an optional procedure during the international phase which, in exchange for payment of the associated fees, offers a chance to formally reply to the written opinion of the International Searching Authority (ISA) if the results of the international search are unfavorable, to amend the application and to have any amendments (including amendments to the claims already made under [PCT Article 19](#)) examined.

It is the only opportunity during the international phase for applicants to interact with the examiner at an International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority. However, the time frame for such interaction is tight, so to ensure that you maximize the benefit from this procedure you need to carefully monitor any communications you receive, review them promptly, and in some situations be proactive.

The number and type of communications you receive may vary for each application, but in ordinary circumstances, when no formality defects are found, you may expect to receive the following.

[PCT/IB/368](#) Notification of transmittal of demand to the competent International Preliminary Examining Authority [IPEA]

As explained in last month's Practical Advice, a demand for international preliminary examination is filed using [Form PCT/IPEA/401](#). If the IPEA you are using does not accept direct filings via ePCT, you can use ePCT to file a demand via the International Bureau (IB) ([PCT Rule 59.3](#)). In such a case, you will need to make sure you receive this notification.

For those rare cases where a translation is required specifically for international preliminary examination, the procedure is outlined in [PCT Rule 12.4](#).

[PCT/IPEA/402](#) Notification of receipt of demand by competent International Preliminary Examining Authority

[PCT/IPEA/403](#) Notification concerning payment of the preliminary examination and handling fees

The IPEA will notify the applicant when it has received the demand ([PCT Rule 61.1\(b\)](#)) and whether the due fees ([Rules 57](#) and [58](#)) have been paid. These notifications are usually issued within the first month after filing the demand. Examination will not start until fees are paid ([PCT Rule 69.1\(a\)](#)), and you need to ensure they are paid promptly so that you can gain full benefit from the international preliminary examination in the limited time available.

PCT/IB/332 Information concerning elected Offices notified of their election

The designated States where the demand for international preliminary examination has effect are called “elected” Offices.¹ The International Bureau will notify the elected Offices of their election (using [Form PCT/IB/331](#); [PCT Article 31\(7\)](#)) and will also notify the applicant ([PCT Rule 61.3](#)).

The IB will send the IPEA a copy of any Article 19 amendments (attached to [Form PCT/IB/337](#)), if it has any on file.

PCT/IPEA/408 Written opinion of the International Preliminary Examining Authority

This notification is only received in cases where the IPEA issues a written opinion in addition to the written opinion of the ISA before it issues the international preliminary report on patentability, Chapter II (IPRP II). The IPEA may issue further written opinions taking into account arguments or amendments made by the applicant in response to a previous written opinion ([PCT Rule 66.4](#)). The IPEA is not obliged to issue a written opinion in addition to the opinion issued by the ISA before it draws up the report, as the ISA’s written opinion is considered to be a written opinion of the IPEA unless the IPEA has notified the IB otherwise ([PCT Rule 66.1bis](#)).

PCT/IPEA/429 Notification concerning informal communication with the applicant – together with**PCT/IPEA/428 Note on informal communication with the applicant**

Where the IPEA has communicated informally with the applicant it may issue this notification ([PCT Rule 66.6](#)).

PCT/IPEA/432 Communication regarding amendments not taken into account

Where the applicant has submitted amendments or arguments but the IPEA receives them after it has begun to draw up the written opinion or report and therefore does not take them into account, it may issue this notification ([PCT Rule 66.4bis](#)).

PCT/IPEA/416 Notification of transmittal of international preliminary report on patentability – together with**PCT/IPEA/409 International preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II)**

The applicant receives the results of international preliminary examination at about 28 months ([PCT Article 36](#), [PCT Rules 70](#) and [71](#)). PCT Rule 70 contains detailed information as to the content of the report and its annexes (replacement sheets and letters are annexed to the report).

The IPEA forwards to the IB a copy of the report and the examination-related documents on file, such as any written opinion by the IPEA, amendments, arguments and replacement sheets to be made publicly accessible on PATENTSCOPE at 30 months from the priority date on behalf of the elected Offices. The applicant may prevent public access by withdrawing the demand before the IB receives the report.

¹ Uruguay is not bound by the provisions of Chapter II, having made a declaration to that effect in accordance with [PCT Article 64\(1\)\(a\)](#).

PCT/IB/338 Notification of transmittal of copies of translation of the international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter I or Chapter II)

Where the IPRP II is not established in English, the IB will translate it into English for the elected Offices and send a copy to the applicant at 30 months ([PCT Rules 72.1](#) and [72.2](#)). Note that the IB does not translate annexes of the report; translation of the annexes is the applicant's responsibility.

PCT Newsletter readers are welcome to suggest questions for future Practical Advice articles. We cannot promise to cover every suggested topic, but we always give your ideas careful consideration. Please send feedback to: pct.newsletter@wipo.int

PCT Seminar Calendar

(situation as at 22 October 2026)

Date and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers	Organizer and contact details
27 October 2026 Changchun (CN)	Chinese/ English	Advanced roving seminars on the PCT.	China National Intellectual Property Administration (CNIPA) (Ms. Wu Yifan) Tel: (86-10) 62 08 30 97 Email: wuyifan_1@cnipa.gov.cn
29 October 2026 Nanjing (CN)		WIPO speakers: Ms. Loreto Bresky, Senior Director, PCT Legal and International Affairs Department; Mr. Yu Zhilong, Head of PCT User Resources Section, PCT Legal and User Relations Division; Mr. Lu Jia, PCT Consultant, PCT Legal and User Relations Division CNIPA speakers: Ms. Sun Hongxia, Second Level Inspector, Patent Examination Administration Department; Ms. Fan Xiao, Deputy Director, International Applications Division I, Preliminary Examination and Flow Management Department; Mr. Li Hanze, Program Officer, International Exchange Planning Division, Patent Examination Administration Department; local IP Office representatives.	More information
18–20 November 2026 Cologne (DE)	German/ English	Presentation on the latest developments in the PCT System within the framework of the 16th <i>PAFA-Tagung</i> conference WIPO PCT speaker: Mr. Matthias Reischle-Park, Deputy Director, PCT Legal and User Relations Division	Intellectual Property for Intellectual People (IP for IP) GmbH (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-0) 6201 392 33-00 Email: info@ipforip.de More information (in German)

PCT Webinars

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
28 October 2026 online 07:30–10:00 CET	English	As part of IP India's National IP Awareness Mission (NIPAM), this webinar for startups, innovators, entrepreneurs, academics and stakeholders in India will introduce the PCT System, possible fee reductions and ePCT. With presenters from WIPO and the Indian Patent Office.	More information

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PCT Webinars *[continued]*

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
12 November 2026 online 10:00–14:05 CET	Russian/ English* *(There will be Russian interpretation for English content)	CACEEC regional webinar: “PCT System: entry into the national phase” WIPO speakers: Ms. Christine Bonvallet, Director, PCT International Cooperation Division; Mr Pavel Spitsyn, Director, WIPO Office in the Russian Federation; Ms. Olga Krysanova, Program Officer, PCT International Cooperation Division. Other speakers: Mr. Hayata Kawano, Japan Patent Office; Mr. John Omiti, African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO); Mr. Ayoub Idi, African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI); Mr. Dmitry Rogozhin, Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO); Ms. Gisela Aparecida Silva Nogueira, National Institute of Industrial Property, Brazil; Ms. Margarita Agarkova, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent), Russian Federation.	Register

PATENTSCOPE Webinars

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
26 November 2026 online 17:30–18:15 CET	Spanish	The AI assistant in PATENTSCOPE Speaker: Ms. Sandrine Ammann, Marketing and Communications Officer, Global Databases Division	Register

Other events

9–10 November 2026 hybrid	Global Forum on IP and AI A two-day conference addressing AI-related legal and policy issues across the full spectrum of intellectual property rights and their broader impact on IP, innovation and creativity.	More information Provisional program Register
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Find the latest information on [PCT training](#).

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 October 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). International fees that are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown, and nor are details of certain reductions and refunds that 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.) 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	IQD	Iraqi dinar	NOK	Norwegian krone	TND	Tunisian dinar
RO	receiving Office	CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	NZD	New Zealand dollar	TRY	Turkish lira
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	OMR	Omani rial	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	JMD	Jamaican dollar	PEN	Nuevo sol	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CUP	Cuban peso	JOD	Jordanian dinar	PGK	Kina	UGX	Uganda shilling
		CVE	Cabo Verde escudo	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	USD	US dollar

Currencies:

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 October 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 2,362	27	–	355	533	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	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 50	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 11,220	130	–	1,690	2,530	CN EP ¹⁰
CO	COP online: 360,000 on paper: 476,000	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT BR CL EP ES KR RU
CR	USD online: 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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				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	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	— —	251 215	376 322	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 160	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
ES	EUR 75.75	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP ES
FI	EUR 140	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 62	EUR 1,428	16	—	215	322	EP
GB	GBP 100	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 517,500	5,800	—	77,800	116,700	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
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JM	JMD 8,500	JMD eq USD 1,667	eq USD 19	—	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	AT AU CA EP

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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	
JO	JOD 100	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT AU EP US
JP	JPY 17,000 ¹⁸	JPY 264,900	3,000	—	—	59,800	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
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	100	—	300	AT AU JP ²⁰ KR SG
KZ	KZT 10,631.40	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	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 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 375.50 ²¹ (legal persons)	USD 1,667	19	—	251	376	AT CL EP ES KR SE SG US
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 15,700	180	—	2,360	3,540	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,864	32	—	431	646	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF 50,000	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 SA 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	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
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: 12.85 on paper: 25.69	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 SA
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

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

(amounts on 1 October 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	
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		none	EUR	1,428	16	—	—	215	322	EP XV
SV		none ²⁴	USD	1,667	19	—	—	251	376	CL EP ES
SY	SYP	5,000	USD	1,667	19	—	—	251	376	AT EG EP RU
TH	THB	3,000	THB eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU CN EP JP KR SG US
TJ	TJS	— 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) ²⁵	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 ²⁶ small entity: ²⁷ 114 ²⁶ micro entity: ²⁷ 57 ²⁶		USD	1,667	19	125	251	—	—	AU EP IL JP KR PH SG US
UY	UYU eq UYI 672.62 ²⁸		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	26,800	300	—	—	4,030	6,040	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 October 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹									
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,885 (From 1.11.2026:	CHF 1,734	KRW 3,250,000 KRW 2,989,000)	SGD 2,842	USD 2,237	ZAR 35,800				
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,555	CHF 1,239 ZAR 25,050	EUR 1,351	KRW 2,268,000	NZD 2,664	SGD 2,016				
BR ⁸	BRL 2,510	CHF 400	EUR 436	USD 513						
CA	CAD 2,380.26	CHF 1,360	EUR 1,460	USD 1,705						
CL	USD 2,000 In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity: ² In case of filing by a university ³¹	CHF 1,596	EUR 1,713 USD 400 USD 300	CHF 319 CHF 239	EUR 343 EUR 257					
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 249	EUR 266	USD 310						
EA	For searches carried out in Russian: RUB 9,000 CHF 93 EUR 106 USD 116 (From 1.11.2026: CHF 84 EUR 93 USD 104) For searches carried out in English: RUB 40,000 CHF 415 EUR 472 USD 516 (From 1.11.2026: CHF 373 EUR 411 USD 462)									
EG ³²	EGP 4,000	CHF 64	EUR 70	USD 80						
EP ³³	AUD 3,210 HUF 670,800 SGD 2,842 (From 1.12.2026:	EUR 1,885 ISK 273,600 USD 2,237 AUD 3,035)	CHF 1,734 JPY 345,900 ZAR 35,800	CNY 14,870 NOK 20,280	DKK 14,080 NZD 3,717	GBP 1,632 SEK 19,950				
ES ³³	EUR 1,885	CHF 1,734	USD 2,237							
FI	EUR 1,885	CHF 1,734	USD 2,237							
IL	ILS 4,203	CHF 1,170	EUR 1,241	USD 1,446						
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by a natural person, startup, small entity or an educational institution: INR 2,500	CHF 84 CHF 21	EUR 90 EUR 22	JPY 16,900 JPY 4,200	USD 104 USD 26					
JP ³⁴	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 143,000 CHF 718 EUR 765 KRW 1,356,000 (From 1.11.2026: KRW 1,268,000) For IAs in English: JPY 169,000 CHF 848 EUR 904 SGD 1,358 USD 1,059									
KR ³⁵	For IAs in Korean: SGD 384 KRW 450,000 AUD 437 CHF 239 EUR 255 NZD 501 (From 1.11.2026: USD 294 CHF 258 EUR 275 NZD 539) SGD 419 USD 325 For IAs in English: SGD 1,024 KRW 1,200,000 AUD 1,166 CHF 636 EUR 679 NZD 1,336 (From 1.11.2026: USD 783 CHF 688 EUR 733 NZD 1,436) SGD 1,117 USD 867)									
PH	USD 600 Small entity or government: ³⁶	CHF 479	EUR 514 USD 200	CHF 160	EUR 171					
RU	For searches carried out in Russian: (From 1.11.2026:		RUB 9,000 CHF 84 RUB 45,000 CHF 420	CHF 93 CHF 84 CHF 467 CHF 420	EUR 106 EUR 93 EUR 531 EUR 463	USD 116 USD 104) USD 580 USD 520)				
SA	SAR 1,000	CHF 213	EUR 228	USD 267						
SE	SEK 19,950 USD 2,237	CHF 1,734	DKK 14,080	EUR 1,885	ISK 273,600	NOK 20,280				
SG	SGD 2,350 (From 1.11.2026:	AUD 2,643 USD 1,816	CHF 1,449	EUR 1,556	JPY 292,300	KRW 2,765,000 KRW 2,525,000)				

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 October 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹								
TR	TRY	97,060	CHF	1,734	EUR	1,885	USD	2,237	
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 38,300
	For a small entity: ²⁷								
	USD	960	CHF	766	EUR	822	NZD	1,649	ZAR 15,320
	For a micro entity: ²⁷								
XN	EUR	1,885	DKK	14,080	CHF	1,734	ISK	273,600	NOK 20,280 SEK 19,950
	USD	2,237							
XV	EUR	1,885	CHF	1,734	HUF	670,800	USD	2,237	

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 October 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 37}
AT	– for a search of German-language documentation: CHF 792	CHF 200
	– for a search of European and North American documentation: CHF 1,109	
	– for a search of PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,584	
EP	CHF 1,734 ³³ EUR 1,885	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,734 EUR 1,885	CHF 200
RU	CHF 125	CHF 200
	(From 1.11.2026: CHF 112)	
	CHF 197 ³⁸	
	(From 1.11.2026: CHF 177)	
SE	CHF 1,734	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,449	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,734 TRY 97,060	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 10	
UA	– for a search of the documents in the search collection of the Authority, including the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 84	CHF 200
	– 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	
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,734	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 499	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,734 EUR 1,885	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 512	

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

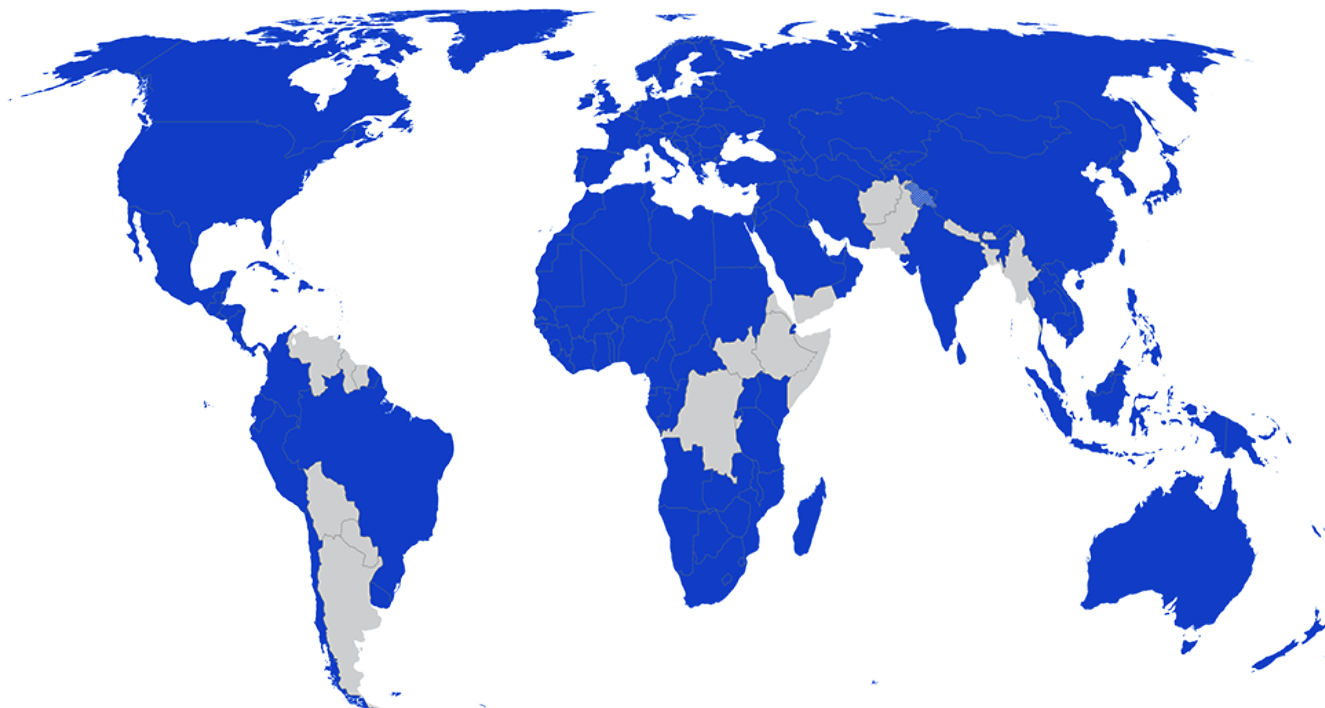
(amounts on 1 October 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee³⁹	Handling fee^{2, 39} (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 ³⁰	EUR 215
AU	AUD 590 820 ⁴⁰	AUD 355
BR	BRL 930 ⁸	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 1,190.13	CAD 350
CL	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 1,690
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 2,010 ³³	EUR 215
ES	EUR 595.37 ³³	EUR 215
FI	EUR 690	EUR 215
IL	ILS 1,801	ILS 755
IN	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
JP³⁴	For IAs in Japanese: JPY 34,000 For IAs in English: JPY 69,000	JPY 37,700
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 377,000 (From 1.11.26: 349,000)
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 a small entity: ²⁷ USD 282 352 ⁴³ For a micro entity: ²⁷ 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/en/web/pct-system/fees/index>. 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 1(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 In 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 fewer 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/en/web/pct-system/fees/index>
- 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/mailling 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 Although there is no transmittal fee payable, the applicant must nevertheless pay the postage fee for the transmittal of the copy of the international application to the International Bureau and the International Searching Authority.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 90% where all applicants are also inventors and by 80% where all applicants are also non-profitable institutions and/or organizations. When the fee is payable with relation to an application made by both types of applicant, and all applicants are either also inventors, or non-profitable institutions and/or organizations, the fee is reduced by 80%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for IAs filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 27 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, 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
- 28 The Office's fees are established in UYI (Indexed Units (UI)) (Art. 117 of Law on Patents No. 17.164, as amended by Art. 279 of Law No. 20.446, dated 1 January 2026); 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>
- 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/en/web/pct-system/fees/index>.
- 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/en/web/pct-system/guide/index>
- 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 note 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)).

PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (159 on 1 October 2026)



AE United Arab Emirates	CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) ²	SK Slovakia (EP)
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	MN Mongolia	MN Mongolia	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AL Albania (EP)	CZ Czechia (EP)	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SM San Marino (EP) ²
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	MT Malta (EP) ²	MT Malta (EP) ²	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AO Angola	DJ Djibouti	MT Mauritius (AP)	MT Mauritius (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	MW Malawi (AP)	MW Malawi (AP)	SV El Salvador
AU Australia	DM Dominica	MX Mexico	MX Mexico	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DO Dominican Republic	MY Malaysia	MY Malaysia	SZ Eswatini (AP) ²
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ¹	DZ Algeria	MZ Mozambique (AP)	MZ Mozambique (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ²
BB Barbados	EC Ecuador	NA Namibia (AP)	NA Namibia (AP)	TG Togo (OA) ²
BE Belgium (EP) ²	EE Estonia (EP)	NE Niger (OA) ²	NE Niger (OA) ²	TH Thailand
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	EG Egypt	NG Nigeria	NG Nigeria	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BG Bulgaria (EP)	ES Spain (EP)	NI Nicaragua	NI Nicaragua	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FI Finland (EP)	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TN Tunisia ⁴
BJ Benin (OA) ²	FR France (EP) ²	NO Norway (EP)	NO Norway (EP)	TR Turkey (EP)
BN Brunei Darussalam	GA Gabon (OA) ²	NZ New Zealand	NZ New Zealand	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BR Brazil	GB United Kingdom (EP)	OM Oman	OM Oman	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BS Bahamas	GD Grenada	PA Panama	PA Panama	UA Ukraine
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia ⁴	PE Peru	PE Peru	UG Uganda (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	PG Papua New Guinea	US United States of America
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	PH Philippines	PH Philippines	UY Uruguay ⁶
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) ²	PL Poland (EP)	PL Poland (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ²	PT Portugal (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CG Congo (OA) ²	GR Greece (EP) ²	QA Qatar	QA Qatar	VN Viet Nam
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	RO Romania (EP)	RO Romania (EP)	WS Samoa
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	HR Croatia (EP)	RS Serbia (EP)	RS Serbia (EP)	ZA South Africa
CL Chile	HU Hungary (EP)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZM Zambia (AP)
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	ID Indonesia	SA Saudi Arabia	SA Saudi Arabia	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CN China	IE Ireland (EP) ²	SC Seychelles	SC Seychelles	
CO Colombia	IL Israel	SD Sudan (AP)	SD Sudan (AP)	
CR Costa Rica	IN India	SE Sweden (EP)	SE Sweden (EP)	
CU Cuba	IQ Iraq	SG Singapore	SG Singapore	
		SI Slovenia (EP) ²	SI Slovenia (EP) ²	

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 June 2026, validation of a European patent is possible. International applications filed on or after 1 June 2026 will include the designation of the Republic of Moldova 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.

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