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PCT Working Group – Eighteenth Session

The eighteenth session of the PCT Working Group resumed in Geneva on 2 February 2026, following its previous discussions from 18 to 20 February 2025. The following topics were considered by the Working Group during the eighteenth session.

Electronic processing of international applications

The Working Group agreed to submit amendments to Rules 4, 45*bis*, 92*bis* and 94 of the PCT Regulations for approval by the PCT Assembly at its session in July 2026, with the aim of improving electronic services and providing a higher degree of protection for personal data provided for PCT processing. The amendments will require the provision of an email address and a telephone number for processing an international application, allow the exclusion of certain personal data from public access, and provide a basis for changing the address to which correspondence is to be addressed later than 30 months from the priority date (refer to document PCT/WG/18/8 and Annex I to document PCT/WG/18/20).

Establishing equivalent amounts of PCT fees

The Working Group agreed to submit to the Assembly proposed modifications to Directives of the PCT Assembly relating to the Establishment of Equivalent Amounts of Certain Fees to streamline the process for establishing equivalent amounts and reduce the time between a fluctuation in an exchange rate and the entry into force of a new equivalent amount to reflect that fluctuation (refer to document PCT/WG/18/12 and Annex II to document PCT/WG/18/20).

Proposal to transmit a copy of the notification of withdrawal (Form PCT/RO/136) to the applicant

The Working Group approved, in principle, modifications to Section 326 of the Administrative Instructions and paragraph 322 of the PCT Receiving Office Guidelines which would provide a basis for receiving Offices that wish to do so, to inform the applicant of the processing status of a withdrawal request when the receiving Office transmits the notice effecting such withdrawal to the International Bureau (refer to document PCT/WG/18/10 and Annex III to document PCT/WG/18/20).

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

Working Group on Electronic-Only National Phase Entry

The Working Group discussed a study on electronic-only national phase entry and proposals to amend the PCT Regulations that would enable designated or elected Offices to require national phase entry by electronic means, subject to certain conditions. The Working Group invited the International Bureau to consider the amendments further, taking into account the comments made at the session (refer to document PCT/WG/18/4 Rev.).

Working Group on International Publication Format

The Working Group discussed proposed changes to the format of international publication that would separate the international search report and any possible statements concerning claims amended under Article 19, which would simplify the publication process and facilitate further text-based processing, and invited the International Bureau to provide additional information or revised plans, taking into account the comments made (refer to document PCT/WG/18/13).

Working Group on Appointment of International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities

The Working Group agreed on the procedure for the Assembly of the PCT Union (PCT Assembly) to decide on the extension of appointment of International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities and the format of the associated new agreements between the International Bureau and each Authority (refer to documents PCT/WG/18/5, PCT/WG/18/6 and PCT/WG/18/15).

Other Matters

The Working Group also considered the following:

- coordination of technical assistance under the PCT (see document PCT/WG/18/9);
- coordination of patent examiner training (see document PCT/WG/18/11);
- a status report of the PCT Minimum Documentation Task Force (see document PCT/WG/18/17);
- a status report of the Sequence Listings Task Force (see document PCT/WG/18/18 Rev.);
- processing sequence listings (see document PCT/WG/18/14);
- a report on the international search report feedback pilot, in which participating Offices provide feedback on international search reports issued by a participating International Searching Authority for international applications entering the national phase (see document PCT/WG/18/7).
- the WIPO Treaty on Intellectual Property, Genetic Resources and Associated Traditional Knowledge (see document PCT/WG/18/16);
- a minor correction of the French version of Rule 26.3c¹ (see document PCT/WG/18/3);
- consequential amendments related to the filing medium of international applications (see document PCT/WG/18/19);

- a report on the thirty-first session of the Meeting of International Authorities under the PCT (see document PCT/WG/18/2).

Summary and documents

The Summary by the Chair (document PCT/WG/18/20) is available on the WIPO website with the working documents and a link to the webcast videos and speech-to-text transcripts of the session at:

https://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=86208

PCT Working Group – Nineteenth Session

The nineteenth session of the PCT Working Group opened on 4 February 2026. The session was suspended and will be resumed at a future date. Documents for the session are available at:

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

PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation

The thirty-third session of the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation was held in Geneva on 2 and 3 February 2026.

The Committee discussed the application from the Mexican Institute of Industrial Property (IMPI) to be appointed as an International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority (ISA/IPEA) under the PCT (see document PCT/CTC/33/27). The Committee also discussed the applications for extension of appointment of all 25 existing ISA/IPEAs, the periods of appointment of which will expire on 31 December 2027 (see documents PCT/CTC/33/2 to 26). The Committee agreed to recommend to the PCT Assembly the appointment of IMPI as an ISA/IPEA and the extension of appointment of all existing ISA/IPEAs.

The Committee also approved a new format for the model agreement to be used as a basis for preparing the individual agreements that each Office or organization will have with the International Bureau in relation to its functioning as an ISA/IPEA from 1 January 2028. The new format for the agreement will no longer have separate annexes setting out the operational information for each ISA/IPEA; this information will be published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* and reflected in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*. When approving the new format, the Committee agreed to submit to the Assembly amendments to the PCT Regulations necessary for use of the new format for the agreements (see document PCT/CTC/33/28). These amendments will be considered by the PCT Assembly in July 2026 when it decides on the appointment of IMPI and the extensions of appointment of existing ISA/IPEAs and, where appropriate, approves the individual draft agreements between each Office or organization and the International Bureau.

The Summary by the Chair (document PCT/CTC/33/29) is available on the WIPO website with the working documents and a link to the webcast videos and speech-to-text transcripts of the session at:

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

PCT User Survey reveals high satisfaction levels

The PCT continues to offer a strong, consistent and highly valued service, according to WIPO's most recent PCT user satisfaction survey, carried out in late 2025.

Overall, 90% of respondents said they were either "very satisfied" (44%) or "satisfied" (46%) with the PCT-related services provided by WIPO – in line with previous survey results from 2023 and 2021, and a slight increase on the 88% satisfaction rating in 2019.

The survey is conducted every two years as part of WIPO's ongoing efforts to monitor and continuously improve customer satisfaction. The latest survey was made available in all 10 PCT publication languages during the final quarter of 2025 and received more than 1,700 responses.

Respondents were invited to rate a range of services such as processing of PCT applications by the International Bureau (IB) (including in its capacity as receiving Office), ePCT functions and services, PCT information resources and training provided by WIPO. They also had the opportunity to provide text comments and suggest areas for possible improvement.

The IB is analyzing the survey feedback in detail with a view to further improving PCT services, and PCT users are as always also welcome to send comments and suggestions at any time to:

pct.legal@wipo.int

A summary of the survey results is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/documents/d/pct-system/docs-en-activity-pct-user-survey-2025.pdf>

Technology diffusion under the spotlight in World IP Report 2026

New research from WIPO sheds light on the critical factors that help turn new inventions into widely adopted, impactful innovations.

The World Intellectual Property Report 2026: Technology on the Move draws on 250 years of historical data on technology use and five decades of patent data to explore changing patterns of technology diffusion.

The report finds that new innovations are spreading much more rapidly than innovation in previous eras. The time between the invention of new technologies and their first use worldwide is shrinking, and the technology use gap between advanced economies and others is narrowing for more recent technologies – especially digital technologies.

But while technologies are spreading across borders faster than ever, there remain many challenges in making technology diffusion work in developing economies and coordinated policy action is required to realize the full potential of new technologies.

For more information, visit:

https://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2026/article_0002.html

The report is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/web-publications/world-intellectual-property-report-2026/en/index.html>

PATENTSCOPE introduces verified SEP searches

WIPO has enhanced its global patent database, PATENTSCOPE, with the addition of a new feature allowing users to search for verified standard essential patents (SEPs).

The latest enhancement builds on “Declared SEPs” functionality introduced in 2025 which already enabled searches for patents that patentholders have declared as being potentially essential to a technical standard.

The new feature takes that initiative a step further by identifying patents that have been objectively verified as SEPs by independent experts on behalf of a patent pool administrator. The first patent pool administrator to provide verified essentiality data is Sisvel. WIPO is engaging with stakeholders to further expand verified data sources.

More information is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/patents/w/news/2026/patentscope-introduces-verified-sep-searches-announces-upcoming-user-webinars>

PCT Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) pilots

ARIPO joins Global PPH pilot

On 6 January 2026, the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO) joined the Global Patent Prosecution Highway (GPPH) pilot, bringing the number of Offices taking part in the pilot to 29.

The GPPH makes it possible to request accelerated processing at any participating Office, based on work products (including, where applicable, a PCT written opinion from either the ISA or the IPEA, or an international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP) (Chapter II)) from any one of the other participating Offices, provided that at least one claim has been found to be patentable by the Office of earlier examination, and that any other applicable eligibility criteria are met. The pilot uses a single set of qualifying requirements and aims to simplify and improve the existing PPH network to make it more accessible to users.

Further information about the GPPH pilot can be found at:

<https://www.jpo.go.jp/e/toppage/pph-portal/globalpph.html>

The PCT-PPH page of the PCT website has been updated at:

https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html

WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents

Under the Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS), a PCT applicant can request the International Bureau (IB) to retrieve a copy of an earlier application from DAS for use as a priority document, instead of providing or arranging for the provision of a certified copy. Note that, in order to be able to make use of the DAS service, the Office with which the earlier application was filed needs to be a DAS depositing Office – not necessarily the receiving Office with which the international application is filed.

Belarus becomes a depositing and an accessing Office of the WIPO Digital Access Service

The National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 January 2026, it commenced operation as both a depositing and an accessing Office of the WIPO Digital Access Service. The corresponding DAS Notification is available at:

<https://www.wipo.int/en/web/das/participating-offices/search-details?territoryId=27>

Excuse of delay in meeting a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations

Excuse of delay in meeting a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations

In accordance with PCT Rule 82^{ter}.1(d), the European Patent Office has notified the International Bureau that applicants who did not meet a time limit fixed in the PCT Regulations for performing an action before it expiring between 27 January and 26 February 2026 due to the effects of storms in Portugal during that period may request excuse of delay in meeting that time limit under PCT Rule 82^{ter}.1(a) before the Office and the need for evidence is waived.

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

<https://www.epo.org/en/legal/official-journal/notice-10-february-2026>

51st International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva

The 51st International Exhibition of Inventions Geneva will take place at Palexpo in Geneva from 11 to 15 March 2026. The Exhibition is an annual fair that gives participants an opportunity to showcase cutting-edge inventions. This year's event brings together more than 1,000 inventions from 40 countries and regions.

WIPO will operate a booth at the Exhibition and experts from across the Organization's services – including the PCT – will be on hand to offer tailor-made presentations as well as walk-in clinics open to both exhibitors and the public. Please come and join us if you are attending.

For more information about the Exhibition, visit:

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

Competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities

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The Australian Patent Office (IP Australia) has specified the European Patent Office (EPO) and the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS) – in addition to itself and the Ministry of Intellectual Property (MOIP) (Republic of Korea) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities for international applications filed with the Australian Patent Office as receiving Office. The arrangements will take effect from 1 March 2026. The specification of the EPO is part of a two-year pilot program (see also Singapore SG, below).

Find information from IP Australia and the EPO at:

<https://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/news-and-community/news/international-search-options-expand-for-australian-patent-applicants>

<https://www.epo.org/en/news-events/news/collaborating-impact-epo-and-ip-australia-reach-new-milestones>

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The amounts of the following fees, payable to the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 January 2026:

Transmittal fee:.....	BYN	110.25
Fee for priority document:	BYN 150 for each copy of priority document up to 35 pages	
	plus BYN 2.40 for each page of one copy in excess of 35 pages	
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:.....	BYN	225

There has also been a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from the same date:

For patent:

Filing fee:	BYN	110.25
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:.....	BYN	47.25
Examination fee:	BYN	535.50
- Claim examination fee for each independent claim in excess of one:.....	BYN	315
Annual fee for the third year:.....	BYN	110.25

For utility model:

Filing fee:	BYN	220.50
- Claim fee for each independent claim in excess of one:.....	BYN	110.25

(Updating of ÚÔVÁŃ] |žžž q Ā~ ž^, Annex C (BY) and National Chapter, Summary (BY))

DO Dominican Republic (fees)

The National Office of Industrial Property (Dominican Republic) has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, with effect since 31 March 2023, the amount of the fee for a priority document, payable to the Office as receiving Office, is as follows:

Fee for priority document DOP 1,980 for the first 10 pages
plus DOP 14 for each additional page

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

EP European Patent Office (fees)

As from 1 April 2026, there will be a change in the following fees payable to the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	EUR	160
Fee for priority document:.....	EUR	125
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	EUR	790

As from the same date, there will also be a change in the amounts of the following fees, payable to the EPO as designated (or elected) Office:

Designation fee for one or more EPO Contracting States designated:	EUR	720
Claims fee:		
– for the 16 th and each subsequent claim up to the limit of 50:.....	EUR	290
– for the 51 st and each subsequent claim:.....	EUR	720
Search fee for (international) applications	EUR	1,595
Fee for further processing:		
– in the event of late payment of a fee:	[No change]	
– other cases:.....	EUR	315
Fee for late furnishing of a sequence listing:	EUR	280
Examination fee:		
– for (international) applications for which a supplementary European search report is drawn up:.....	EUR	2,010
– for (international) applications for which no supplementary European search report is drawn up:.....	EUR	2,240
Renewal fee for the third year:.....	EUR	725

There will also be a change in the amount of the reduction in the search fee component of the national fee payable for international applications for which the international search report or a supplementary international search report has been established by the Austrian Patent Office

or, in accordance with the Protocol on Centralisation, by the Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), the Nordic Patent Institute, the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, the Swedish Intellectual Property Office (PRV), the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TÜRKPATENT) or the Visegrad Patent Institute. The new amount of this reduction, applicable from 1 April 2026, is EUR 1,365.

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

Please note that changes to certain fees relating to international search, supplementary international search and international preliminary examination are published under those categories below.

GB Intellectual Property Office (United Kingdom) (fees)

As from 1 April 2026, there will be a change in the following fees payable to the Intellectual Property Office¹ (United Kingdom) as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	GBP	100
Fee for priority document:.....	GBP	27
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	GBP	200

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

JP Japan (discontinuation of fax services)

With effect from 1 April 2026, the Japan Patent Office (JPO) will discontinue the use of its fax services and will no longer accept the filing of international applications and other documents by fax.

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

RU Russian Federation (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) has specified the Saudi Authority for Intellectual Property (SAIP) – in addition to itself, the Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO) and the European Patent Office (EPO) – as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed on or after 1 February 2026 with the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) in its capacity as a receiving Office.

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

¹ Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office.

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The Industrial Property Office of the Slovak Republic as receiving Office has notified the IB that, with effect since 1 January 2026, it no longer charges the transmittal fee, the fee for priority document or the fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority.

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As from 1 March 2026, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Israel Patent Office	CHF, EUR, USD
Intellectual Property Office of Singapore (IPOS)	AUD

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

As from 1 April 2026, there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR, as well as in the applicable equivalent amounts in other currencies (see below), for an international search carried out by the European Patent Office, together with other fees that will also change:

Search fee:	EUR	1,885
Additional search fee:	EUR	1,885
Protest fee:	EUR	1,070
Review fee:	EUR	1,070
Late furnishing fee:	EUR	280

The amount of the search fee and additional search fee for international searches carried out by the following Offices will also change to EUR 1,885 from 1 April 2026: the Austrian Patent Office, the Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH), the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI). The applicable equivalent amounts of the search fee in other currencies will also change on the same date.

The amount of the search fee and additional search fee for international searches carried out by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TÜRKPATENT) will change to TRY 97,060 from 1 April 2026.

As from 1 April 2026, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Eurasian Patent Office (EAPO)	EUR, USD
European Patent Office (EPO)	AUD, CHF, CNY, DKK, GBP, HUF, ISK, JPY, NOK, NZD, SEK, SGD, USD, ZAR
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	EUR, USD

The new amounts are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, EA, EP, ES, FI, IL, RU, SG, TR and XV))

Supplementary search fee (various Offices)

As from 1 April 2026, there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR for a supplementary international search carried out by the European Patent Office, Finnish Patent and Registration Office (PRH) or the Visegrad Patent Institute (VPI). The new amount will be EUR 1,885.

From the same date, the amount payable in TRY for a supplementary international search carried out by the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office (TÜRKPATENT) will change to TRY 97,060.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex SISA (EP, FI, TR and XV))

Preliminary examination fee and other fees relating to international preliminary examination (European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2026, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable in EUR to the European Patent Office as International Preliminary Examining Authority:

Preliminary examination fee:	EUR	2,010
Additional preliminary examination fee:	EUR	2,101
Protest fee:	EUR	1,070
Late furnishing fee:	EUR	280

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

Upcoming PCT Trainings

PCT Basics Webinar Series

Episode 4 in the PCT Basics webinar series – titled “Get on the e-filing highway” – will take place on 19 March 2026 from 15:00 to 16:00 Central European Time (UTC+1). Mr. Pascal Piriou, Senior Customer Support Assistant in WIPO's PCT International Cooperation Division, will present a live demonstration of how to file a PCT application using ePCT – WIPO's secure online filing platform, developed to facilitate filing and accepted by many national IP offices.

The webinar is free of charge and you do not need to have participated in previous webinars in the series to benefit from it. Register [here](#) to secure your spot.

In addition, a Korean-language version of episode 3 will take place on 26 February 2026 from 16:30 to 17:30 Korea Standard Time. Register [here](#).

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

Submitting amendments under PCT Article 34 after filing a demand for international preliminary examination

Q: I would like to file a demand for international preliminary examination together with amendments to the description and drawings. The time limit to file the demand is about to expire. Is it possible to obtain more time to submit the amendments if they are not ready?

A: International preliminary examination is an optional procedure that provides the only possibility during the international phase for an applicant to amend the description, claims and drawings of an international application. This possibility is provided by [PCT Article 34](#), which also provides the right for an applicant to communicate orally and in writing with the International Preliminary Examining Authority (IPEA). The examiner at the IPEA will therefore be able to consider amendments and arguments submitted by the applicant, and this may give the applicant further opportunities to make amendments, as provided by [PCT Rules 66.3](#) and [66.4](#), before the IPEA establishes the international preliminary examination report. By contrast, without filing a demand for international preliminary examination, an applicant has only one opportunity to amend the claims of an international application before the International Bureau under [PCT Article 19](#), where the amended claims are published but not considered during the international phase. International preliminary examination is often referred to as the procedure under Chapter II, as it is governed by Chapter II of the PCT.

The time limit to file a demand for international preliminary examination is either (i) three months from the date of the transmittal of the international search report (ISR) and the written opinion by the International Searching Authority (ISA) or (ii) 22 months from the priority date, whichever expires later ([PCT Rule 54bis.1\(a\)](#)).

Generally, the IPEA may start international preliminary examination as soon as it is in possession of the demand, the fees due, the ISR and the written opinion of the ISA, provided that any translation required under [PCT Rule 55.2](#) has been furnished. It is therefore advisable to file the demand and pay the applicable fees as soon as possible after you receive the results of the international search since the earlier the examination starts, the more time you will have to communicate with the examiner before the IPEA must establish its report. It is generally recommended to submit amendments and any arguments at the same time as filing the demand, noting that the IPEA need not take into account any amendments or arguments which it receives after it has begun to draw up its own written opinion or the report under [PCT Rule 66.4bis](#)).

If your amendments are not ready when the time limit under [PCT Rule 54bis.1\(a\)](#) to file a demand is about to expire, and you wish the international preliminary examination to start on the basis of the amendments, it is important to ensure that at least the demand is filed within the

time limit.² You should indicate in the demand that you wish the international preliminary examination to start on the basis of the description, claims or drawings as amended under [PCT Article 34](#) (Box No. IV of [Form PCT/IPEA/401](#)). If no such amendments have in fact been submitted, the IPEA will invite you to submit them within a time limit fixed in the invitation ([PCT Rule 60.1\(g\)](#)) (using [Form PCT/IPEA/431](#)). The IPEA will not start examination before it has received the amendments, or before the time limit fixed in the invitation has expired ([PCT Rules 60.1\(g\)](#) and [69.1\(e\)](#)). Please note that as this will delay the start of the examination, you may have less time to communicate with the examiner, noting that the IPEA must still establish the report within the time limit of [PCT Rule 69.2](#), that is (where any required translation has been furnished together with the demand), 28 months from the priority date or 6 months from the start of the examination, whichever expires last.

Further information can be found in the Practical Advice in the following issues of the *ÚOVÁĎ, •/•*:

- [03/2005](#): Time limit for submitting a formal response to a written opinion of the ISA where a demand for international preliminary examination is being filed
- [06/2019](#): The timing of the start of the international preliminary examination (following the amendment to PCT Rule 69.1(a))

² The demand may be submitted via ePCT to the International Bureau, which will transmit it to the competent IPEA in accordance with [PCT Article 31\(6\)\(a\)](#) and [Rule 59.3](#). In this case, the demand will be considered to have been received by the competent IPEA on the date of receipt by the International Bureau.

PCT Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/webinars/index.html>)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
26 February 2026 online 16:30–17:30 KST	Korean	PCT Basics webinar series: Episode 3 – Mastering PCT time limits Speaker: Ms. Ji Eun Park, Program Officer, PCT Legal and User Relations Division, WIPO	Register here Find more information at: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/training/index
19 March 2026 online 15:00–16:00 CET	English	PCT Basics webinar series: Episode 4 – Get on the e-filing highway Speaker: Mr. Pascal Piriou, Senior Customer Support Assistant, PCT International Cooperation Division, WIPO	Register here Find more information at: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/training/index
24 March 2026 online 09:00–12:00 CET	Russian	Regional webinar for Central Asian, Caucasus and Eastern European Countries (CACEEC): “PCT System: priority art for international and national phases – grace period” Speakers: Ms. Olga Krysanova, Program Officer, PCT International Cooperation Division, WIPO; Mr. Ezhov (EAPO); Ms. Senchikhina (Rospatent)	Register here Find more information at: https://www.wipo.int/en/web/pct-system/training/index

PATENTSCOPE Webinars

(<https://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/webinar/>)

Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
17 March 2026 online 17:30–18:30 CET	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE Speaker: Ms. Sandrine Ammann, Marketing and Communications Officer, Global Databases Division, WIPO	Register here
19 March 2026 online 08:30–09:30 CET	English	Overview of PATENTSCOPE Speaker: Ms. Sandrine Ammann, Marketing and Communications Officer, Global Databases Division, WIPO	Register here

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

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees
(amounts on 1 February 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	USD 1,667	19	–	251	376	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)							
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	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 (a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]

(amounts on 1 February 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	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	19	–	251	376	EA EP RU
			or EUR	1,428	16	–	215	322	
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
	(From 1.4.2026 : EUR 160)								
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	75	GBP	1,242	14	–	187	280	EP
	(From 1.4.2026 : GBP 100)								
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	CHF	1,330	15	100	200	300	Refer to footnote 15
	or EUR ¹⁴	107	or EUR	1,428	16	107	215	322	
	or USD ¹⁴	125	or USD	1,667	19	125	251	376	
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	USD	1,667	19	–	251	376	AT AU CN EP IN JP SE US
	INR	17,600 ¹⁷							
	No fee for e-filings								
IQ	IQD	77,075	USD	1,667	19	–	251	376	AU CA EG EP TR
	or USD	55							
IR	IRR	500,000	IRR eq USD	1,667	eq USD 19	–	eq USD 251	eq USD 376	CN EP IN RU
		(natural persons)							
	IRR	2,500,000							
		(legal persons)							
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

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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	RO	Transmittal fee ¹
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
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 10,264.80	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	–	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 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 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: 12.57 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 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 February 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 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 ²⁸	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

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ISA	Search fee ¹										
AT ^{GI}	EUR	CHF	EUR	KRW	SGD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
AU	AUD	CHF	EUR	EUR	KRW	NZD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
BR ^B	BRL	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
CA	CAD	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
CL	USD	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	CHF	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
CN	CNY	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
EA ^A	RUB	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 98, USD 116)										
	RUB	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 435, USD 516)										
EG ^{IF}	EGP	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
EP ^{HG}	EUR	CHF	EUR	CNY	EUR	DKK	EUR	GBP	EUR	HUF	ISK
	ISK	JPY	EUR	NOK	EUR	NZD	EUR	SEK	EUR	SGD	USD
	USD	ZAR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885, CHF 1,734, CNY 15,710, DKK 14,080, GBP 1,632, HUF 719,500, ISK 263,600, JPY 345,900, NOK 21,620, NZD 3,717, SEK 19,950, SGD 2,842, USD 2,237, ZAR 35,800)										
ES ^{HG}	EUR	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
FI	EUR	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
IL	ILS	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.3.2026: ILS 4,203, CHF 1,064, EUR 1,142, USD 1,333)										
IN	INR	CHF	EUR	EUR	JPY	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
JP ^{HI}	JPY	CHF	EUR	EUR	KRW	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
	JPY	CHF	EUR	EUR	SGD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
KR ^H	SGD	CHF	EUR	AUD	CHF	EUR	EUR	NZD	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
	SGD	CHF	EUR	AUD	CHF	EUR	EUR	NZD	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
PH	USD	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	CHF	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
RU	RUB	CHF	EUR	EUR	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	EUR	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 98, USD 116)										
	RUB	CHF	EUR	EUR	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	EUR	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 489, USD 580)										
SA	SAR	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
SE	SEK	CHF	EUR	DKK	EUR	EUR	EUR	ISK	EUR	NOK	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)										
SG	SGD	CHF	EUR	EUR	JPY	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR	EUR
	(From 1.3.2026: AUD 2,643)										
TR	TRY	CHF	EUR	EUR	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	USD	EUR
	(From 1.4.2026: TRY 97,060)										

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

ISA	Search fee¹											
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 ²⁷ :											
	USD	960	CHF	766	EUR	822	NZD	1,649	ZAR	16,560		
US	For micro entity ²⁷ :											
	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
	USD	2,154										
XV	EUR	1,845	CHF	1,719	HUF	717,900	USD	2,154				
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)											

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

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 36}
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 1,719 ³²	CHF 200
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)	
FI	CHF 1,719	CHF 200
	(From 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)	
RU	CHF 115	CHF 200
	CHF 182 ³⁷	
SE	CHF 1,719	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,449	CHF 200
TR	– for a full search: CHF 1,719	CHF 200
	– for a search only of documents in Turkish held in the search collection of the Authority: CHF 10	
	(Fee for a full search from 1.4.2026: TRY 97,060)	
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 1,719	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 499	
XV	– for a full search: CHF 1,654	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Czech, Hungarian, Polish and Slovak: CHF 512	
	(Fee for a full search from 1.4.2026: EUR 1,885)	

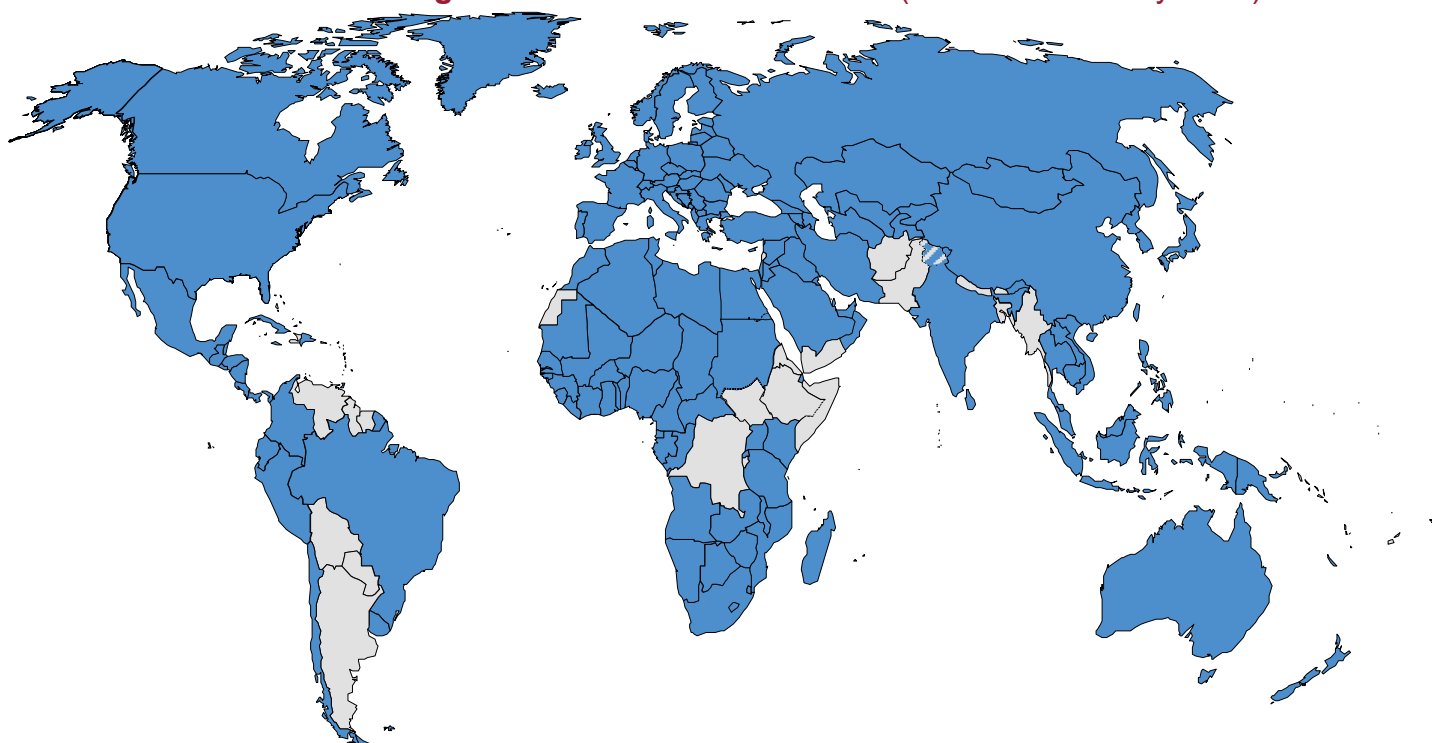
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 February 2026, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁸	Handling fee ^{2, 38} (CHF 200)
AT	EUR 1,749 ²⁹	EUR 215
AU	AUD 590 820 ³⁹	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 ³⁰ : 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 ³² (from 1.4.2026: EUR 2,010)	EUR 215
ES	EUR 595.37 ³²	EUR 215
FI	EUR 690	EUR 215
IL	ILS 1,758 (from 1.3.2026: ILS 1,801)	ILS 822
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
JP ³³	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 ³⁵ : USD 150	USD 251
RU	For examination carried out in Russian: RUB 5,000 ⁴⁰ 7,000 ⁴¹ For examination carried out in English: RUB 18,000 ⁴⁰ 26,000 ⁴¹	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 ⁴² For small entity ²⁷ : USD 282 352 ⁴² For micro entity ²⁷ : USD 141 176 ⁴²	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/ 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 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 Reductions may apply – for further details refer to the Office's website at: <https://my.ima.uz/ru/regulatory/tarify-i-poshliny/>
- 29 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).
- 30 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>.
- 31 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".
- 32 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>
- 33 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
- 34 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.
- 35 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.
- 36 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 37 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).
- 38 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 40 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 41 In all cases where footnote 40 does not apply.
- 42 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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AE United Arab Emirates	CY Cyprus (EP) ²	IR Iran (Islamic Republic of)	ML Mali (OA) ²	SI Slovenia (EP) ²
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CZ Czechia (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MN Mongolia	SK Slovakia (EP)
AL Albania (EP)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ²	SL Sierra Leone (AP)
AM Armenia (EA)	DJ Djibouti	JM Jamaica	MT Malta (EP) ²	SM San Marino (EP) ²
AO Angola	DK Denmark (EP)	JO Jordan	MU Mauritius	SN Senegal (OA) ²
AT Austria (EP)	DM Dominica	JP Japan	MW Malawi (AP)	ST Sao Tome and Principe (AP)
AU Australia	DO Dominican Republic	KE Kenya (AP)	MX Mexico	SV El Salvador
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	MY Malaysia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina ¹	EC Ecuador	KH Cambodia ⁴	MZ Mozambique (AP)	SZ Eswatini (AP) ²
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KM Comoros (OA) ²	NA Namibia (AP)	TD Chad (OA) ²
BE Belgium (EP) ²	EG Egypt	KN Saint Kitts and Nevis	NE Niger (OA) ²	TG Togo (OA) ²
BF Burkina Faso (OA) ²	ES Spain (EP)	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NG Nigeria	TH Thailand
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
BH Bahrain	FR France (EP) ²	KW Kuwait	NL Netherlands (EP) ²	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
BJ Benin (OA) ²	GA Gabon (OA) ²	LA Lao People's Democratic Republic ⁴	NO Norway (EP)	TN Tunisia ⁴
BN Brunei Darussalam	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NZ New Zealand	TR Türkiye (EP)
BR Brazil	GD Grenada	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	OM Oman	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BW Botswana (AP)	GE Georgia ⁴	LK Sri Lanka	PA Panama	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BY Belarus (EA)	GH Ghana (AP)	LR Liberia (AP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PH Philippines	UG Uganda (AP)
CA Canada	GN Guinea (OA) ²	LT Lithuania (EP) ²	PL Poland (EP)	US United States of America
CF Central African Republic (OA) ²	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) ²	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PT Portugal (EP)	UY Uruguay ⁶
CG Congo (OA) ²	GR Greece (EP) ²	LV Latvia (EP) ²	QA Qatar	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	LY Libya	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ²	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ²	MA Morocco ⁴	RS Serbia (EP)	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	HN Honduras	MC Monaco (EP) ²	RU Russian Federation (EA)	WS Samoa
CM Cameroon (OA) ²	HR Croatia (EP)	MD Republic of Moldova ⁴	RW Rwanda (AP)	ZA South Africa
CN China	HU Hungary (EP)	ME Montenegro (EP) ^{2,5}	SA Saudi Arabia	SD Sudan (AP)
CO Colombia	ID Indonesia	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles (AP)	SE Sweden (EP)
CR Costa Rica	IE Ireland (EP) ²	MK North Macedonia (EP)	SD Sudan (AP)	SG Singapore
CU Cuba	IL Israel		SE Sweden (EP)	
CV Cabo Verde (AP)	IN India		SG Singapore	
	IQ Iraq			

1 Extension of European patent possible.

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

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

4 Validation of European patent possible.

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).

Important: This list includes all States that have adhered to the PCT by the date shown in the heading. Any State indicated in **bold italics** has adhered to the PCT but will only become bound by the PCT on the date shown in parentheses; it will not be considered to have been designated in international applications filed before that date.

Note that even though the filing of a request constitutes under PCT Rule 4.9(a) the designation of all Contracting States bound by the PCT on the international filing date, for the grant of every kind of protection available and, where applicable, for the grant of both regional and national patents, applicants should always use the latest version of the e-filing software used to generate the request form, or the latest versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated 1 July 2022). The request and demand forms can be printed from the website, in editable PDF format, at: <https://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/>, or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities. Where possible, applicants are encouraged to use ePCT-Filing in order to benefit from the most up-to-date PCT data.