

Advanced Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)

WIPO Headquarters, Geneva, Room U. Uchtenhagen
October 2 and 3, 2024

PROGRAM

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Wednesday, October 2, 2024

- 08.30 – 09.00 Registration
- 09.00 – 09.30 Welcome, PCT status report and recent developments
- Speaker: Mr. Matthew BRYAN, Director, PCT Legal Division
- 09.30 – 11.00 Session 1: Best practices during the international phase (and how to avoid common mistakes)
- Speaker: Mr. Matthias REISCHLE-PARK, Deputy Director, PCT Legal and User Relations Division
- 11.00 – 11.15 Coffee break
- 11.15 – 12.30 Session 2: Best practices post-filing and correction of defects
- Speaker: Ms. Hanna KANG, Legal Officer, PCT Legal and User Support Section, PCT Legal and User Relations Division
- 12.30 – 14.00 Lunch
- 14.00 – 15.30 Session 3: Question and Answers on particular national phases: China/Japan/Republic of Korea
- Speakers: Mr. Matthias REISCHLE-PARK
 Mr. Zhilong YU, Head, PCT User Resources Section, PCT Legal and User Relations Division
 Ms. Mineko MOHRI, Senior Legal Officer, PCT Legal and User Support Section, PCT Legal and User Relations Division
 Mr. Kihwan MOON, Head of Service, PCT Operations Service 2, PCT Operations Division
- 15:30 – 15:45 Coffee break
- 15:45 – 17:15 Session 4: Entry into national phase before the USPTO
- Speaker: Ms. Layla LAUCHMAN, Deputy Director, International Patent Legal Administration, US Patent and Trademark Office

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Thursday, October 3, 2024

09:00 – 13:00 Workshops:

Theme 1: Detailed discussion of specific legal cases

Speaker: Mr. Thomas HENNINGER, Senior Legal Information Officer, PCT User Resources Section, PCT User and Legal Relations Division

Theme 2: ePCT Workshop: how to best manage your PCT applications in ePCT (considerations when e-filing PCT applications and subsequent documents)

Speaker: Mr. Pascal PIRIOU, Senior Customer Support Assistant PCT International User Outreach and Support Section, PCT International Cooperation Division

Theme 3: Review of PCT safeguard provisions (omission of sensitive information, restoration of priority right, incorporation by reference, rectification of obvious errors, reinstatement of rights)

Speaker: Ms. Eva SCHUMM, Senior Legal Officer, PCT Legal and User Support Section, PCT Legal and User Relations Division

13.00 Closing of seminar

14.00 – 16.00 Tour of PCT Operations (optional)

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