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## **PCT Rule 51***bis***.1(e): Withdrawal of Notification of Incompatibility**

### **Denmark**

Further to its notification of incompatibility of PCT Rule 51 *bis*.1(e), as amended with effect from 1 March 2001, with the national law applied by it (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2001, page 2), the Danish Patent and Trademark Office (in its capacity as designated Office) has notified the International Bureau that it has withdrawn the said notification with effect from 13 October 2004; amended PCT Rule 51 *bis*.1(e) will therefore apply as from that date.

This means that the Danish Patent and Trademark Office may, in accordance with PCT Article 27, require the applicant to furnish a translation of the priority document only where the validity of the priority claim is relevant to the determination of whether the invention concerned is patentable.

## **Extensions of European Patents to Serbia and Montenegro and Bosnia and Herzegovina**

The European Patent Office (EPO) has informed WIPO that, following the entry into force of agreements on cooperation in the field of patents between the European Patent Organisation and Serbia and Montenegro (on 1 November 2004) and between the European Patent Organisation and Bosnia and Herzegovina (on 1 December 2004), it is now possible, in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 November 2004, to extend the protection conferred by European patent applications and patents to Serbia and Montenegro (see: [www.european-patent.office.org/news/info/2004\\_10\\_28\\_e.htm](http://www.european-patent.office.org/news/info/2004_10_28_e.htm)),

and in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 December 2004, it will be possible to extend such protection to Bosnia and Herzegovina (notice to be published on the EPO website shortly).

Further information will be given in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2004.

## **World Trade Organization**

### **Cambodia becomes a Member**

On 13 October 2004, Cambodia (country code: KH), which is already a member State of the Paris Convention but is not a member State of the PCT, became a Member of the World Trade Organization (WTO), thus bringing the total number of Members to 148. This

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[www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/index.htm)

updates the list of Members of the WTO that was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 08/2004 (together with the list of States party to the PCT and the Paris Convention).

**Note about the Request and Demand Forms**

It is recalled that, as a result of the new format of the Request Form (Form PCT/RO/101), effective 1 January 2004, that form and the Demand Form (Form PCT/IPEA/401) are no longer revised systematically twice a year, but only as and when necessary.

The Request and Demand forms will therefore not be revised in January 2005, but are expected to be revised in April 2005, to coincide with the entry into force of the amended PCT Regulations announced in the October 2004 issue of the *PCT Newsletter*.

**New/Updated PCT Materials on the Internet**

**Spanish translations of PCT Forms**

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has kindly prepared translations of many of the RO, ISA and IPEA forms. The forms are now available in PDF format (the RO forms are in editable PDF format) on the PCT website at, respectively:

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/ro/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/ro/index.htm)

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/isa/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/isa/index.htm)

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/ipea/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/forms/ipea/index.htm)

**Reminder**

The national Offices of the following States do not yet apply the 30-month time limit for entering the national phase under Chapter I as fixed in PCT Article 22(1) (as modified with effect from 1 April 2002). Note, however, that in respect of the **regional** designation of all those States, the time limit under PCT Article 22(3) of 31 months applies.

CH Switzerland  
FI Finland  
LU Luxembourg  
SE Sweden  
TZ United Republic of Tanzania  
UG Uganda  
ZM Zambia

A list of time limits applicable for each designated/elected Office for entering the national phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT is available at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/legal\\_text.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/legal_text.htm)

### **Spanish translation of International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines**

The Spanish translation of the International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, as in force from 1 January 2004, is now available in PDF format on the PCT website at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/ispe.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/ispe.pdf)

### **Yearly Review of the PCT: 2003**

The Yearly Review of the PCT: 2003 is now available on the PCT website in Chinese and Spanish (in addition to the English, French, Japanese and Russian versions) at, respectively:

[www.wipo.int/cn/pct/activity/pct\\_2003.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/cn/pct/activity/pct_2003.pdf)

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/activity/pct\\_2003.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/activity/pct_2003.pdf)

### **PCT Publications**

#### **Spanish and Chinese editions of the Treaty and Regulations under the PCT (January 2004 edition)**

The International Bureau has published new editions of the Spanish and Chinese texts of the *Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) and Regulations Under the PCT*, as in force from 1 January 2004.

The price of the publication is 24 Swiss francs or 18 US dollars by regular mail, and 28 Swiss francs or 20 US dollars by priority mail. Orders, which should refer to WIPO Publication No. 274 and indicate that the language required is Spanish or Chinese, as the case may be, should be addressed to the Marketing and Distribution Section at WIPO:

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The Treaty and Regulations in Spanish and in Chinese, as in force from 1 January 2004, is also available, in PDF format, on the PCT website at:

[www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/pct\\_regs2004.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/pdf/pct_regs2004.pdf)

[www.wipo.int/cn/treaties/registration/pct/regulation/pdf/pct\\_regulations.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/cn/treaties/registration/pct/regulation/pdf/pct_regulations.pdf)

### **PCT Information Update**

#### **AZ Azerbaijan (telephone and fax numbers)**

The telephone and fax numbers of the State Agency for Standardization, Metrology and Patents (Azerbaijan) have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

telephone: (99–412) 440 37 98, 440 35 53

fax: (99–412) 440 52 24

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (AZ))

#### **EG Egypt (general information)**

General information about Egypt as a Contracting State, as well as information on the Egyptian Patent Office as receiving Office, is included in this issue on provisional sheets for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, Annex B1 (EG) and Vol. I/B, Annex C (EG).

#### **SK Slovakia (fees)**

The amount of the following fee, payable to the Industrial Property Office (Slovakia) Office as receiving Office, has changed:

transmittal fee: see Table I(a)

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, has changed:

filing fee: SKK 2,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (SK), and Vol. II/D, National Chapter, Summary (SK))

#### **TZ United Republic of Tanzania (general information)**

A summary of requirements of the Business Registrations and Licensing Agency, Ministry of Industry and Trade (United Republic of Tanzania) as designated (or elected) Office, for entry into the national phase in the United Republic of Tanzania, is included in this issue on provisional sheets for the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. II/D, National Chapter, Summary (TZ).

#### **ZA South Africa (fees)**

As from 1 December 2004, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the

following fees payable in ZAR to the Companies and Intellectual Property Registration Office (South Africa) as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amount in ZAR of the reduction under item 3 of the Schedule of Fees where the PCT-SAFE software (operating in “PCT-EASY” mode”) is used, as follows:

international filing fee, fee per sheet in excess of 30 and PCT-EASY fee reduction: see Table I(a) and footnotes

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (ZA))

### **Search fee (Australian Patent Office)**

As from 1 January 2005, there will be a change in the equivalent amount payable in NZD for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office, as indicated in Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex D (AU))

### **Fees relating to international search and international preliminary examination (Swedish Patent Office)**

The Swedish Patent Office has notified the International Bureau of new amounts of the fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report, and the fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report, applicable as from 1 January 2005, as follows:

fee for copies of documents cited in the international search report:

- the applicant receives, together with the international search report, a copy of each document containing non-patent literature cited in the report, free of charge
- other documents are available electronically on the website: [www.prv.se](http://www.prv.se)
- the cited documents may also be ordered in paper form at SEK 50 per document

fee for copies of documents cited in the international preliminary examination report:

- the applicant receives, together with the international preliminary examination report, a copy of each additional docu-

ment containing non-patent literature not cited in the international search report, free of charge

- other documents are available electronically on the website: [www.prv.se](http://www.prv.se)
- the cited documents may also be ordered in paper form at SEK 50 per document

The Office has also notified the International Bureau of the deletion of the fee for translation into English of the international application and its accompanying footnote.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes D (SE) and E (SE))

### **Receiving Offices prepared to accept international applications containing sequence listing part filed on an electronic medium**

The European Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau that it is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing a sequence listing part and/or tables related thereto, filed on an electronic medium under Section 801(a)(i) or (ii) of the Administrative Instructions. The EPO in its capacities as receiving Office and International Searching Authority has specified, pursuant to Sections 801(b) and 802(b-bis), respectively, the acceptable electronic media and formatting requirements for the presentation of sequence listings and/or tables related thereto, as follows:

- CD-ROM (type: ISO/IEC 10149:1995, 120mm CD-ROM; format: ISO 9660, 650 MB)
- CD-R (type: 120mm CD-Recordable Disk; format: ISO 9660, 650 MB)
- DVD (type: ISO/IEC 16448:1999, 120mm DVD - Read-Only Disk; format: 4.7 GB, conforming to either ISO 9660 or OSTA UDF (1.02 and higher))
- DVD-R (type: Standard ECMA-279, 120mm (3.95 GB per side) DVD-Recordable; format: 3.95 GB, conforming to either ISO 9660 or OSTA UDF (1.02 and higher))

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annexes C (EP) and D (EP))

## Publication Schedule and Non-Working Days at the IB During the Holiday Period

### Non-working days at the International Bureau (IB)

The non-working days at the IB during the end-of-year holiday period, in addition to the weekends, will be 24, 27, 30 and 31 December 2004. The IB will be open for business on 28 and 29 December 2004, and will then be open as usual as from 3 January 2005.

### Closing dates of the PCT Information Service

The PCT Information Service will not be in operation from Friday, 24 December to Friday, 31 December 2004, inclusive. It will commence operations again at 9.00 a.m., Geneva time, on Monday, 3 January 2005.

Note, however, that if you call the PCT Information Service (telephone: (41-22) 338 83 38) during the holiday period, there will be a facility for leaving messages and a telephone number will be given for use in case of matters requiring urgent attention.

It is recalled that the PCT Information Service answers general inquiries about the filing of international applications and the procedure to be followed during the international phase of the PCT.

### Publication schedule and technical preparations for publication

During the forthcoming holiday period, the *PCT Gazette* and the PCT pamphlets (published PCT applications) to be published in the last week of December will be published on Wednesday, 29 December 2004, instead of on the usual publication day, Thursday. Note also that that issue of the *PCT Gazette* will carry the number 53/2004.

As from the publication date of 9 December 2004, the completion of technical preparations for publication will take place earlier than the usual 15 days before publication; the schedule for the completion of technical preparations for publication will return to normal for international applications that will be published on 21 January 2005. For further details, see the table below, which gives the schedule for the publications that will be affected, and the

International publication: dates affected by forthcoming holiday period	
<i>Date of international publication</i>	<i>Last day on which applicants' communications must reach WIPO</i>
Thursday, 9 December 2004	Tuesday, 23 November 2004
Thursday, 16 December 2004	Monday, 29 November 2004
Thursday, 23 December 2004	Friday, 3 December 2004
Wednesday, 29 December 2004	Thursday, 9 December 2004
Thursday, 6 January 2005	Wednesday, 15 December 2004
Thursday, 13 January 2005	Tuesday, 21 December 2004

respective dates on which the technical preparations for publication will be completed.

Any applicant who, in respect of an international application to be published during the above-mentioned period, wishes to make any change which should be taken into account for the purposes of international publication, should be aware of the above-mentioned dates. For example, if the applicant wishes to withdraw the international application, a designation or a priority claim under PCT Rules 90*bis*.1(c), 90*bis*.2(e) or 90*bis*.3(e), in sufficient time to prevent international publication thereof, or if the applicant wishes to amend any of the claims under PCT Article 19 and the time limit under PCT Rule 46.1 will expire, or to change an indication concerning the applicant, agent, common representative or inventor under PCT Rule 92*bis*—any such notice must reach the International Bureau by the date indicated in the right hand column of the table if the changes are to be reflected in the international publication.

It is, as always, strongly recommended that applicants notify the International Bureau of any change as early as possible before completion of technical preparations, preferably by fax, bearing in mind that more time will be needed if the International Bureau has to take any action in connection with the matter in the last few days before the completion of technical preparations for publication.

## Practical Advice

### ***Finding out which States are designated in an international application; States which can be designated only for a regional patent***

*Q: Now that, under the new designation system that entered into force on 1 January 2004, the Request Form (Form PCT/RO/101) no longer contains a list of designated States, how can I find out in advance which designations are included in my international application.*

*Also, given that the automatic designation system includes the designations for both regional and national patents, is it still the case that a national patent cannot be granted for certain States covered by certain regional designations (for example, that France can only be designated for a European patent), and if so, how do I find out which States they are?*

A: It is recalled that the new Request Form includes, instead of a listing of the individual States that can be designated, the following statement in Box No. V: “The filing of this request constitutes under 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.” To find out in advance which States will be designated automatically in your international application, there are several places where you can find an up-to-date list of Contracting States bound by the PCT:

- the back page of the latest issue of the *PCT Newsletter* ([www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/index.jsp](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/index.jsp));
- Annex A of the Internet version of the *PCT Applicant’s Guide* ([www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexa/ax\\_a.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/annexes/annexa/ax_a.pdf));
- a list on the WIPO website at: [www.wipo.int/treaties/en/documents/pdf/m-pct.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/documents/pdf/m-pct.pdf) or [www.wipo.int/treaties/en/documents/word/m-pct.doc](http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/documents/word/m-pct.doc)

All three lists give the dates on which the States became, or will become, bound by the PCT; your application will include the designation of all States which became, or will become, bound by the PCT before or on the

international filing date. The list in the *PCT Newsletter* also gives information about States which can be designated for regional patents.

Once your international application has been transmitted to the International Bureau (IB), it will send you Form PCT/IB/301 (“Notification of Receipt of Record Copy”) which will include a list of the States which have been automatically designated in your application.

It is recalled that it is possible to obtain four different regional patents:

- an ARIPO patent (covering PCT Contracting States which are also party to the Harare Protocol)
- a Eurasian patent (covering PCT Contracting States which are also party to the Eurasian Patent Convention);
- a European patent (covering PCT Contracting States which are also party to the European Patent Convention); and
- an OAPI patent (covering PCT Contracting States which are also member States of OAPI (the African Intellectual Property Organization)).

The situation as regards those States which can be designated only for a regional patent remains the same as it was prior to 1 January 2004. It is only possible to obtain national **and** regional patents in a country if the national law of the country concerned permits this; in other words, if the country concerned has not closed its national route.

This issue contains a table showing the PCT Contracting States for which a regional patent can be obtained, broken down as follows:

- States for which only a regional patent can be obtained;
- States for which a regional patent can be obtained in addition to, or instead of, a national patent;
- States which are not included in the EP designation, but to which a European patent can be extended.

This table, which will hopefully be a convenient resource for applicants to find out which States are designated for a regional patent, will be published on the PCT website under “PCT legal texts” ([www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/legal\\_text.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/legal_text.htm)) and updated when necessary.

<b>PCT Contracting States for which a Regional Patent can be Obtained via the PCT</b> (situation on 1 November 2004)			
	<b>States for which <i>only</i> a regional patent can be obtained (and not a national patent):</b>	<b>States for which a regional patent can be obtained <i>in addition to, or instead of, a national patent</i></b>	<b>States not included in EP designation but to which a European patent can be extended<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>AP ARIPO patent</b>	SZ Swaziland	BW Botswana GH Ghana GM Gambia KE Kenya LS Lesotho MW Malawi MZ Mozambique NA Namibia <sup>2</sup> SD Sudan SL Sierra Leone TZ United Republic of Tanzania UG Uganda ZM Zambia ZW Zimbabwe	Not applicable
<b>EA Eurasian patent</b>	Not applicable	AM Armenia AZ Azerbaijan BY Belarus KG Kyrgyzstan KZ Kazakhstan MD Republic of Moldova RU Russian Federation TJ Tajikistan TM Turkmenistan	Not applicable
<b>EP European patent</b>	BE Belgium CY Cyprus FR France GR Greece IE Ireland IT Italy MC Monaco NL Netherlands SI Slovenia	AT Austria BG Bulgaria CH Switzerland CZ Czech Republic DE Germany DK Denmark EE Estonia ES Spain FI Finland GB United Kingdom HU Hungary IS Iceland <sup>3</sup> LI Liechtenstein LT Lithuania <sup>4</sup> LU Luxembourg PL Poland <sup>5</sup> PT Portugal RO Romania SE Sweden SK Slovakia TR Turkey	AL Albania BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>4</sup> HR Croatia <sup>6</sup> LT Lithuania <sup>7</sup> LV Latvia MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia YU Serbia and Montenegro <sup>3</sup>

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**PCT Contracting States for which a Regional Patent can be Obtained via the PCT**  
(situation on 1 November 2004) [continued]

	<b>States for which <i>only</i> a regional patent can be obtained (and not a national patent):</b>	<b>States for which a regional patent can be obtained <i>in addition to, or instead of,</i> a national patent</b>	<b>States not included in EP designation but to which a European patent can be extended<sup>1</sup></b>
<b>OA OAPI patent</b>	BF Burkina Faso BJ Benin CF Central African Republic CG Congo CI Côte d'Ivoire CM Cameroon GA Gabon GN Guinea GQ Equatorial Guinea GW Guinea-Bissau ML Mali MR Mauritania NE Niger SN Senegal TD Chad TG Togo	Not applicable	Not applicable

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1. A request for the extension of a European patent to these States may be made at the time of entry into the regional phase before the European Patent Office, provided that the designations of EP and/or of the State concerned have not been withdrawn, or, in the case of international applications filed before 1 January 2004, provided that the PCT application contained designations both of a European patent and of the State concerned. Such a request may not be made in the PCT request form itself. See the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/A, paragraphs 41 and 89, and Vol. II/A, National Chapter (EP) for further details as to the procedure to be followed.
  2. For international applications filed on or after 1 January 2004.
  3. For international applications filed on or after 1 November 2004.
  4. For international applications filed on or after 1 December 2004.
  5. For international applications filed on or after 1 March 2004.
  6. For international applications filed on or after 1 April 2004.
  7. For international applications filed before 1 December 2004.



<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>17–18 November 2004 Paris (FR)</b>	French	Seminar on PCT procedures WIPO speakers: Mr. Genin and Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Mrs. Christiane Sadrin) Tel: (33–1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33–1) 42 93 63 52
<b>17–18 November 2004 Dedham, Massachusetts (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel Other speakers: Ms. Bidwell (USPTO) and Mr. Reed (The Procter & Gamble Company (US))	Boston Patent Law Association Ms. Christine O'Day Tel: (1–617) 517 55 58 Fax: (1–617) 439 41 70 E-mail: <a href="mailto:coday@edwardsangell.com">coday@edwardsangell.com</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.bpla.org">www.bpla.org</a>
<b>19 November 2004 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT presentation at the Annual Senior Patent Administrators' Conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: <a href="mailto:josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk">josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk</a>
<b>25–26 November 2004 Frankfurt (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Attasio (EPO)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49–6221) 500 500 Fax: (49–6221) 500 505 E-mail: <a href="mailto:Management@Forum-Institut.de">Management@Forum-Institut.de</a>
<b>8 December 2004 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT-SAFE workshop WIPO speaker: Ms. Featherby	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: <a href="mailto:josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk">josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk</a>
<b>9–10 December 2004 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. H G Bartels and Ms. Aeri	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44–1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44–1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: <a href="mailto:josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk">josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk</a>
<b>13–14 December 2004 Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Bonvallet	Swedish Patent and Registration Office, PRV InterPat (Mr. David Holm) Tel: (46–8) 782 26 32 Fax: (46–8) 783 01 63 E-mail: <a href="mailto:david.holm@prv.se">david.holm@prv.se</a>
<b>18–20 January 2005 Zurich (CH)</b>	English	Presentation on the PCT within the framework of the Postgraduate Program in Intellectual Property WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Kim	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich (ETH), NDS Intellectual Property (Ms. Lili Tsiamis) Tel: (41–1) 632 68 08 Fax: (41–1) 632 13 67 E-mail: <a href="mailto:tsiamis@recht.gess.ethz.ch">tsiamis@recht.gess.ethz.ch</a> Internet: <a href="http://www.ndsip.ethz.ch">www.ndsip.ethz.ch</a>
<b>19–20 January 2005 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. H G Bartels and Ms. Schwarz	Intellectual Property Administrators Group (IPAG) (Ms. Jacqueline Jones) Tel: (44–207) 539 42 45 E-mail: <a href="mailto:jjones@kstrode.co.uk">jjones@kstrode.co.uk</a>
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<b>PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]</b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>28 January 2005 Stuttgart (DE)</b>	German	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Deutsche Vereinigung für Gewerblichen Rechtsschutz und Urheberrecht (GRÜR) (Mr. G. Schuster) Tel: (49-711) 222 99 40 Fax: (49-711) 222 99 433 E-mail: marken@schusterpat.de
<b>8-9 February 2005 Milan (IT)</b>	English	PCT seminar for patent attorneys and Patent Administrators WIPO speakers: Mr. H G Bartels and Mrs. Coeckelbergs	EPI-CEIPI (see below), Ordine Consulenti Proprietà Industriale and the Association of Patent Attorneys in Industry (AICIPI) Tel: (39-02) 55 18 51 44 Fax: (39-02) 54 12 20 66 E-mail: consiglio@ordine-brevetti.it
<b>18 February 2005 Munich (DE)</b>	German	PCT update seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. H G Bartels	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
<b>9-10 March 2005 Ecully (FR)</b>	French	PCT seminar for patent attorneys WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Centre Paul Roubier (Mrs. Audi) Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
<b>17-18 March 2005 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 500 Fax: (49-6221) 500 505 E-mail: Management@Forum-Institut.de
<b>4 April 2005 Paris (FR)</b>	French	PCT update WIPO speaker: Ms. Boutillon	Fondation Nationale pour le Droit de l'Entreprise (FNDE) (Mrs. Heuzé) Tel: (33-1) 42 66 18 19 Fax: (33-1) 42 66 17 37 E-mail: pheuze@fnde.asso.fr
<b>20-21 April 2005 London (GB)</b>	English	Basic formalities seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>26 April 2005 Brussels (BE)</b> <i>[Note that only a limited number of places are available]</i>	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the "Cours de formation de base en droit européen des brevets 2004-2005" WIPO speaker: Mr. Genin	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) and l'Institut des mandataires agréés près l'Office européen des brevets (EPI) (Mr. Thierry Debled) Tel: (32-65) 40 08 21 Fax: (32-65) 31 14 74 E-mail: Thierry.Debled@BE.vesuvius.com
<b>29-30 April 2005 Concord (US)</b>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Maassel	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1-603) 228 15 41, ext. 1108 Fax: (1-603) 224 33 42 E-mail: cruh@piercelaw.edu Internet: www.piercelaw.edu/TreatySem/Treatsem.htm

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 November 2004, 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*, Vol. I/B, 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 under certain circumstances where the request is prepared using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software or by CHF 200 or 300 where the international application is filed in electronic form, as prescribed; see footnotes 2 and 5 for details. A 75% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30) 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—see footnotes 3 and 11. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 75% reduction are applicable, the 75% 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 –	BGL	Bulgarian lev	GBP	Pound sterling	LSM	Lesotho loti	SEK	Swedish krona
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRR	Brazilian real	GEL	Georgian lari	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SGD	Singapore dollar
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	GHC	Ghanaian cedi	LVL	Latvian lat	SIT	Slovenian tolar
n a	not applicable	BZD	Belize dollar	HRK	Croatian kuna	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	HUF	Hungarian forint	MDL	Moldovan leu	TJS	Tajik somoni
		CHF	Swiss franc	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MKD	Macedonian denar	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ILS	New Israel shekel	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		COP	Colombian peso	INR	Indian rupee	MXP	Mexican peso		
		CUP	Cuban convertible peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CYP	Cyprus pound	JPY	Japanese yen	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CZK	Czech koruna	KES	Kenyan shilling	PHP	Philippine peso	VND	Vietnamese dong
		DKK	Danish krone	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PLZ	Polish zloty	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		DZD	Algerian dinar	KPW	KP won	ROL	Romanian leu	YUD	Yugoslavian dinar
		EEK	Estonian kroon	KRW	KR won	RUR	Russian rouble	ZAR	South African rand
		EUR	Euro	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SDP	Sudanese pound	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**

(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2,3</sup> (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3,4</sup> (CHF 15)	PCT-EASY reduction <sup>2,5</sup> (CHF 100)	Competent ISA(s) <sup>6</sup>
AE	AED <sup>7</sup> —	AED eq CHF 1,400	15	n a	AT AU
AG	Information not yet available				
AL	ALL 9,000	CHF 1,400	15	n a	EP
AM	AMD 32,000	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
AP	USD 50 (or eq in local currency)	USD 1,134	12	81	AT EP SE
AT	EUR 50	EUR 902	10	64	EP
AU	AUD 100	AUD 1,525	16	109	AU
AZ	AZM 55,000	USD 1,134	12	n a	EP RU
BA	EUR 25.56	EUR 902	10	64	EP
BE	EUR 40	EUR 902	10	64	EP
BG	BGL 60	BGL eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP RU
BR	BRR 236	BRR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	AT EP SE US
BW	Information not yet available				
BY	BYR eq USD 70	USD 1,134	12	n a	EP RU
BZ	BZD 220	USD 1,134	12	81	EP

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2,3</sup> (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3,4</sup> (CHF 15)	PCT-EASY reduction <sup>2,5</sup> (CHF 100)	Competent ISA(s) <sup>6</sup>
CA	CAD 300	CAD 1,489	16	106	CA <sup>8</sup>
CH	CHF 100	CHF 1,400	15	100	EP
CN	CNY 500	CNY eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	CN
CO	COP <sup>7</sup> —	COP eq USD 1,134	eq USD 12	eq USD 81	AT, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD 175	USD 1,134	12	81	EP ES
CU	USD (or eq CUP) <sup>200</sup>	USD(or eq CUP) 1,134	12	81	AT EP ES RU
CY	CYP 75	CYP 526	6	n a	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	CZK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
DE	EUR 90	EUR 902	10	64	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 6,700	70	480	EP SE
DM	Information not yet available				
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,400	15	100	AT EP
EA	RUR eq USD 50	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
EC	USD <sup>7</sup> —	USD 1,134	12	81	EP ES
EE	EEK 1,800	EEK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
EG	USD 100	USD 1,134	12	81	AT EP
EP <sup>5</sup>	EUR 100	EUR 902	10	64	EP
ES <sup>5</sup>	EUR 63.99	EUR 902	10	64	EP ES
FI <sup>5</sup>	EUR 135	EUR 902	10	64	EP SE
FR <sup>5</sup>	EUR 60	EUR 902	10	64	EP
GB <sup>5</sup>	GBP 55	GBP 628	7	45	EP
GD	Information not yet available				
GE	GEL <sup>9</sup> 10	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
GH	GHC <sup>10</sup> 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,134	12	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 902	10	64	EP
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
HU	HUF 10,000	HUF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP RU
IB <sup>5</sup>	CHF <sup>11</sup> 100 or EUR <sup>11</sup> 64 or USD <sup>11</sup> 81	CHF 1,400 or EUR 902 or USD 1,134	15 10 12	100 64 81	See footnote 12
ID	IDR 500,000	IDR eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76.00	EUR 902	10	64	EP
IL	ILS 476	USD 1,134	12	81	EP US
IN	INR 5,000 (filing by indiv: 1,500)	USD 1,134	12	81	AT AU CN EP SE US

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2,3</sup> (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3,4</sup> (CHF 15)	PCT-EASY reduction <sup>2,5</sup> (CHF 100)	Competent ISA(s) <sup>6</sup>
IS	ISK 6,500	ISK 80,000	900	5,700	EP SE
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 902	10	n a	EP
JP <sup>5</sup>	JPY 13,000	JPY 123,200	1,300	8,800	EP JP
KE	USD (or KES equiv) 250 plus cost of mailing	USD 1,134	12	81	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	AT RU
KR <sup>5</sup>	KRW 45,000	KRW 1,329,000	14,000	95,000	AT AU JP <sup>13</sup> KR
KZ	KZT <sup>7</sup> —	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,134	12	n a	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSM <sup>7</sup> —	LSM eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	n a	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 902	10	64	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 902	10	n a	EP
LV	LVL 47.20	EUR 902	10	64	EP RU
MA	None	CHF 1,400	15	n a	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 49 <sup>14</sup>	EUR 902	10	n a	EP
MD	MDL 180	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,750	MKD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,400	15	100	EP RU
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 111,100	1,200	7,900	EP
MX	MXP <sup>3</sup> eq USD 200	MXP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP ES SE US
NA	Information not yet available				
NI	USD 200	USD 1,134	12	81	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 902	10	64	EP
NO	NOK 500	NOK 7,370	80	530	EP SE
NZ	NZD 180 <sup>15</sup>	NZD 1,772	19	127	AU EP US
OA	XAF —	XAF eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	n a	AT EP RU SE
OM	Information not yet available				
PG	Information not yet available				
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,134	12	81	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLZ 300	PLZ eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	n a	EP
PT	EUR 30.99	EUR 902	10	64	EP
RO	ROL 300,000	CHF 1,400	15	100	AT EP RU
RU	RUR 294	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
SC	Information not yet available				
SD	SDP 50	SDP eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	n a	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 8,140	90	580	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,926	21	138	AT AU EP
SI	SIT 22,000	SIT eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
SK	SKK 2,000	SKK eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
SY	Information not yet available				

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**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees [continued]**  
(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>	International filing fee <sup>1,2,3</sup> (CHF 1,400)	Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1,2,3,4</sup> (CHF 15)	PCT-EASY reduction <sup>2,5</sup> (CHF 100)	Competent ISA(s) <sup>6</sup>
TJ	TJS <sup>7</sup> —	USD 1,134	12	n a	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>7</sup> —	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>7</sup> —	CHF 1,400	15	n a	EP
TR	CHF 100	CHF 1,400	15	100	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,134	12	81	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH 255	USD (or eq UAH) 1,134	12	n a	EP RU
US	USD 300	USD 1,134	12	81	EP US
UZ	USD <sup>7</sup> —	USD 1,134	12	81	EP RU
VC	Information not yet available				
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	n a	AT AU EP KR RU SE
YU	YUD 3,000	YUD eq CHF 1,400	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	EP
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 6,760 (from 1.12.04: 7,270)	72 (80)	480 (520)	AT AU EP US
ZM	Information not yet available				
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,134	eq USD 12	eq USD 81	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**

(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>									
AT	EUR 159	CHF 247	KRW 235,000	SGD 310	USD 182	ZAR 1,320				
AU	AUD 1,200	CHF 1,050	EUR 684	KRW 1,014,000	NZD* 1,370	SGD 1,490				
	USD 865	ZAR 5,300								
	*(from 1.1.05: NZD 1,282)									
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,520	EUR 985	USD 1,195						
CN	CNY 1,500	CHF 245	EUR 158	USD 181						
EP <sup>16</sup>	EUR 1,550	CAD 2,520	CHF 2,432	CYP 905	DKK 11,520	GBP 1,078				
	ISK 138,000	JPY 200,100	MWK 194,000	NOK 13,450	NZD 2,884	SEK 13,870				
	SGD 3,130	USD 1,920	ZAR 12,000							
ES <sup>16</sup>	EUR 1,550	CHF 2,432	USD 1,920							
JP	JPY 97,000	CHF 1,097	EUR 752	KRW 1,066,000	USD 887					
KR	KRW 225,000	CHF 238	EUR 151	USD 194						
RU <sup>17</sup>	USD 300	CHF 406	EUR 262							
SE	SEK 13,870	CHF 2,432	DKK 11,520	EUR 1,550	ISK 138,000	NOK 13,450				
	USD 1,920									
US	USD 1,000	300 <sup>18</sup>	CHF 1,318	395 <sup>18</sup>	EUR 787	254 <sup>18</sup>	NZD 1,570	470 <sup>18</sup>		
	ZAR 6,600	2,000 <sup>18</sup>								

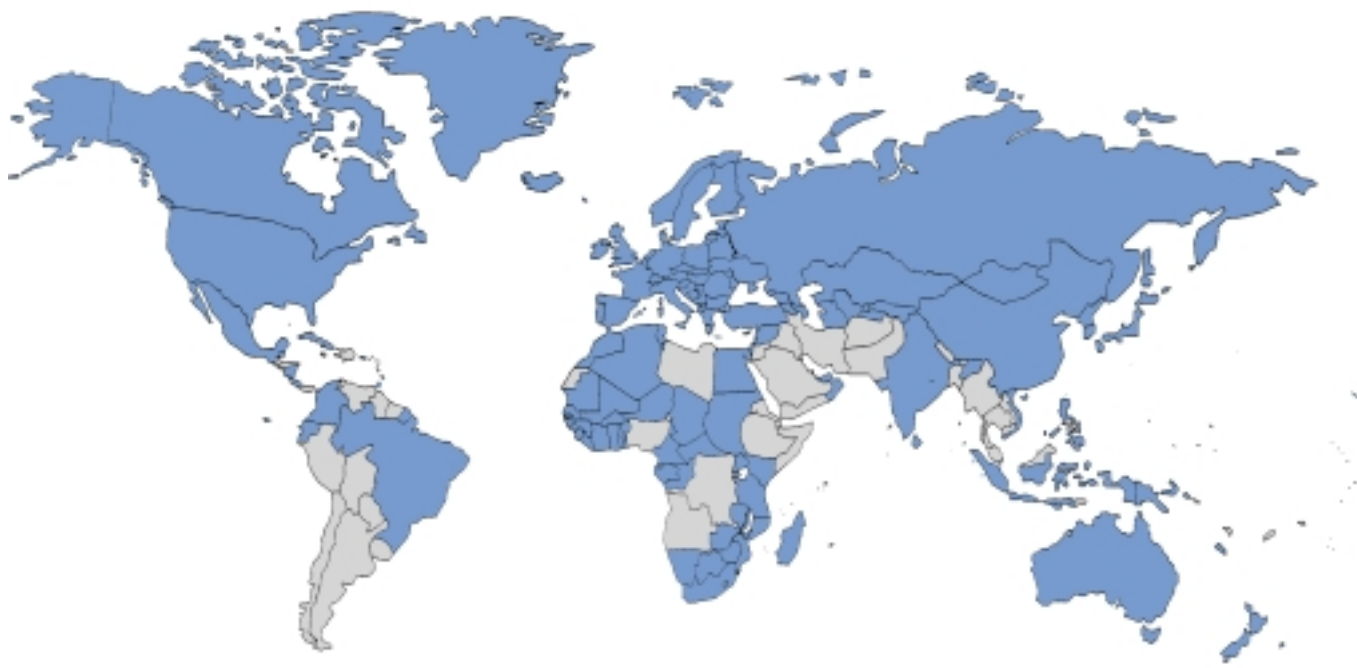
**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 November 2004, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>19</sup>		Handling fee <sup>3,19</sup> (CHF 200)		
AT	EUR	159	EUR	129	
AU	AUD	550	1,000 <sup>20</sup>	AUD	218
CA	CAD	800		CAD	213
CN	CNY	1,500		CNY eq CHF	200
EP <sup>16</sup>	EUR	1,530		EUR	129
ES	EUR	502.97		EUR	129
JP	JPY	36,000		JPY	17,600
KR	KRW	225,000		KRW	190,000
RU <sup>17</sup>	USD	200 <sup>21</sup>	300 <sup>22</sup>	USD	162
SE	SEK	5,000		SEK	1,160
US	USD	600	750 <sup>23</sup>	USD	162

*Footnotes to fee tables:*

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 The international filing fee is reduced by CHF 100 where: (a) the request is presented as a computer print-out prepared using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software; (b) the request is filed together with a computer diskette, prepared using that software, containing a copy in electronic form of the data contained in the request and of the abstract; and (c) the PCT application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept the filing of PCT applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format together with PCT-EASY diskettes.
- 3 This fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 4 Where the PCT application as filed contains a sequence listing part in computer readable form only, or both in that form and on paper, under Section 801 of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, and where that application is filed with a receiving Office which is prepared to accept such filings, a fixed component of 400 times the fee per sheet over 30 is payable for the sequence listing part, irrespective of the actual length of that part (see Section 803(ii) of the *Administrative Instructions*).
- 5 Where the international application is filed in electronic form in accordance with and to the extent provided for in Part 7 and Annex F of the Administrative Instructions and where the international application is filed with a receiving Office which has notified the International Bureau under Section 710 of the Administrative Instructions that it is prepared to receive international applications in electronic form, the international filing fee is reduced by CHF 200 if the text of the description, claims and abstract is not in character coded format, and by CHF 300 if the text of the description, claims and abstract is in character coded format. Only the following receiving Offices have sent such a notification so far: RO/EP, ES, FI, FR, GB, IB, JP and KR. The equivalent amounts of those reductions in the relevant currencies are as follows: CHF 200=EUR 129, GBP 90, KRW 190,000, USD 162; CHF 300=EUR 193, GBP 134, JPY 26,400, KRW 285,000, USD 243.
- 6 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 7 The amounts are not yet known or, where known, are subject to periodical revision. The Office or the agent should be consulted for the latest applicable schedule of fees.
- 8 For international applications filed before 26 July 2004, the competent ISA is the European Patent Office. For international applications filed on or after 26 July 2004, the competent ISA is the Canadian Intellectual Property Office.
- 9 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 10 The first amount of the transmittal fee is applicable to individuals or entities employing less than 25 persons. The second amount is applicable to entities employing 25 persons or more.
- 11 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 12 The competent International Searching Authority(ies) for an international application filed with the International Bureau as receiving Office is (are) the Authority(ies) which would have been competent if the international application 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. See also *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (IB).
- 13 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 14 Plus EUR 1 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 15 Plus 12.5% GST (Goods and Services Tax) for New Zealand residents.
- 16 The search fee payable to the EPO and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office, as well as the preliminary examination fee payable to the EPO, are 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 not party to the European Patent Convention, which fulfils the requirements for the corresponding reduction of certain PCT fees as specified in Item 4(a) of the Schedule of Fees annexed to the PCT Regulations, and in accordance with the decision of the EPO's Administrative Council of 11 October 2000, the text of which was included in *PCT Newsletter* No. 11/2000. The States concerned are those indicated in part 1 of the table on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf), with the exception of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, (from 1.12.04: Lithuania), Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Turkey.
- 17 The applicant may, instead of paying the USD amount, pay the equivalent amount in RUR at the exchange rate applicable, on the date of payment, at the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, provided that, in the case of the search fee, the receiving Office accepts payment in RUR.
- 18 Payable when a corresponding prior US national application has been filed under 35 USC 111(a), the basic filing fee under 37 CFR 1.16(a) has been paid, and the prior US national application is identified by the application number if known, or if the application number is not known, by the filing date, title and name of applicant (and preferably by the application docket number), in the international application or accompanying the papers at the time of filing the international application.
- 19 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 20 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 21 Payable when the international search report was established by the Russian Patent Office.
- 22 In all cases where footnote 21 does not apply.
- 23 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—see *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Vol. I/B, Annex C (US)).

## PCT Contracting States and Two-letter Codes (124 on 1 November 2004)



AE United Arab Emirates	CR Costa Rica	IL Israel	MN Mongolia	SY Syrian Arab Republic
AG Antigua and Barbuda	CY Cyprus (EP) <sup>2</sup>	IN India	MR Mauritania (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SZ Swaziland (AP) <sup>2</sup>
AL Albania <sup>1</sup>	CZ Czech Republic (EP)	IS Iceland (EP)	MW Malawi (AP)	TD Chad (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MX Mexico	TG Togo (OA) <sup>2</sup>
AT Austria (EP)	DK Denmark (EP)	JP Japan	MZ Mozambique (AP)	TJ Tajikistan (EA)
AU Australia	DM Dominica	KE Kenya (AP)	NA Namibia (AP)	TM Turkmenistan (EA)
AZ Azerbaijan (EA)	DZ Algeria	KG Kyrgyzstan (EA)	NE Niger (OA) <sup>2</sup>	TN Tunisia
BA Bosnia and Herzegovina <sup>1</sup>	EC Ecuador	KP Democratic People's Republic of Korea	NI Nicaragua	TR Turkey (EP)
BB Barbados	EE Estonia (EP)	KR Republic of Korea	NL Netherlands (EP) <sup>2</sup>	TT Trinidad and Tobago
BE Belgium (EP) <sup>2</sup>	EG Egypt	KZ Kazakhstan (EA)	NO Norway	TZ United Republic of Tanzania (AP)
BF Burkina Faso (OA) <sup>2</sup>	ES Spain (EP)	LC Saint Lucia	NZ New Zealand	UA Ukraine
BG Bulgaria (EP)	FI Finland (EP)	LI Liechtenstein (EP)	OM Oman	UG Uganda (AP)
BJ Benin (OA) <sup>2</sup>	FR France (EP) <sup>2</sup>	LK Sri Lanka	PG Papua New Guinea	US United States of America
BR Brazil	GA Gabon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	LR Liberia	PH Philippines	UZ Uzbekistan
BW Botswana (AP)	GB United Kingdom (EP)	LS Lesotho (AP)	PL Poland (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
BY Belarus (EA)	GD Grenada	LT Lithuania <sup>1</sup> (EP from 1 December 2004)	PT Portugal (EP)	VN Viet Nam
BZ Belize	GE Georgia	LU Luxembourg (EP)	RO Romania (EP)	YU Serbia and Montenegro <sup>1</sup>
CA Canada	GH Ghana (AP)	LV Latvia <sup>1</sup>	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CF Central African Republic (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GM Gambia (AP)	MA Morocco	SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
CG Congo (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GN Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MC Monaco (EP) <sup>2</sup>	SD Sudan (AP)	ZW Zimbabwe (AP)
CH Switzerland (EP)	GQ Equatorial Guinea (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	SE Sweden (EP)	
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GR Greece (EP) <sup>2</sup>	MG Madagascar	SG Singapore	
CM Cameroon (OA) <sup>2</sup>	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) <sup>2</sup>	MK The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia <sup>1</sup>	SI Slovenia (EP) <sup>2</sup>	
CN China	HR Croatia <sup>1</sup>	ML Mali (OA) <sup>2</sup>	SK Slovakia (EP)	
CO Colombia	HU Hungary (EP)		SL Sierra Leone (AP)	
	ID Indonesia		<b>SM San Marino</b> (from 14 December 2004)	
	IE Ireland (EP) <sup>2</sup>		SN Senegal (OA) <sup>2</sup>	

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible. In the case of Bosnia and Herzegovina, it will only be possible to extend European patents to that State in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 December 2004. In the case of Lithuania, it will only be possible to extend European patents to that State in respect of international applications filed before 1 December 2004.

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

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 versions of the request form (PCT/RO/101) and demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) (the latest versions are dated January 2004) or, if filing the request using the PCT-EASY features of the PCT-SAFE software, the latest version of that software (the latest version is dated January 2004). The request and demand forms are reproduced in Annexes X and Y, respectively, in Vol. I/B of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* (January 2004 update), and can be printed from the WIPO Internet site, in editable PDF format, at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/forms/index.htm), or obtained from receiving Offices or the International Bureau, or, in the case of the demand form, also from International Preliminary Examining Authorities. The PCT-SAFE software is available from the PCT-SAFE website at: [www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.htm](http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/index.htm)



**B1****Information on Contracting States****B1****EG****EGYPT****EG****General information**

Name of Office:	Egyptian Patent Office
Location:	101 Kasr Al Ainy St., Cairo, Egypt
Mailing address:	P.O. Box 11516, Cairo, Egypt
Telephone:	(202) 792 22 03, 792 12 72, 792 12 92, 792 12 74
Facsimile machine:	(202) 792 12 73
Teleprinter:	–
E-mail:	patinfo@egypo.gov.eg
Internet:	www.egypo.gov.eg
Does the Office accept the filing of documents by means of telecommunication (PCT Rule 92.4)?	No
Would the Office accept evidence of mailing a document, in case of loss or delay, where a delivery service other than the postal authorities is used (PCT Rule 82.1)?	Yes
Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of Egypt:	Egyptian Patent Office or International Bureau of WIPO, at the choice of the applicant (see Annex C)
Competent designated (or elected) Office if Egypt is designated (or elected):	Egyptian Patent Office (see Volume II)
May Egypt be elected?	Yes (bound by Chapter II of the PCT)
Types of protection available via the PCT:	Patents, utility models
Provisions of the law of Egypt concerning international-type search:	None
Provisional protection after international publication:	None

**Information of interest if Egypt is designated (or elected)**

Time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Egypt is designated (or elected):	Must be in the request. If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit of three months from the date of the invitation.
Are there special provisions concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material?	Yes (see Annex L)

**C****Receiving Offices****C****EG****EGYPTIAN PATENT OFFICE****EG**

Competent receiving Office for nationals and residents of:	Egypt
Language in which international applications may be filed:	Arabic or English <sup>1</sup>
Language in which the request may be filed:	English
Number of copies required by the receiving Office:	3
Does the receiving Office accept the filing of international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format? <sup>2</sup>	Yes
Competent International Searching Authority:	Austrian Patent Office or European Patent Office
Competent International Preliminary Examining Authority:	Austrian Patent Office or European Patent Office
Fees payable to the receiving Office:	Currency: US dollar (USD)
Transmittal fee:	USD 100
International filing fee: <sup>3</sup>	USD 1,134
Fee per sheet in excess of 30: <sup>3</sup>	USD 12
Reductions (under Schedule of Fees, item 3):	
PCT-EASY: <sup>2</sup>	USD 81
Search fee:	See Annex D(AT) or (EP)
Fee for priority document (PCT Rule 17.1(b)):	USD 30
Is an agent required by the receiving Office?	No, if the applicant resides in Egypt Yes, if he is a non-resident
Who can act as agent?	Any patent attorney or patent agent registered before the Office

<sup>1</sup> If the language in which the international application is filed is not accepted by the International Searching Authority (see Annex D), the applicant will have to furnish a translation (PCT Rule 12.3).

<sup>2</sup> Where the request is filed in PCT-EASY format together with a PCT-EASY diskette and the receiving Office accepts such filings (see *PCT Gazette* No. 51/1998, pages 17330 and 17332, and No. 44/2003, page 24736, Schedule of Fees, item 3(a)), the total amount of the international filing fee is reduced.

<sup>3</sup> This fee is reduced by 75% if certain conditions apply (see corresponding footnote to Annex C(IB)). For further details, see *PCT Gazette* No. 44/2003, page 24736, Schedule of Fees, item 4. It is to be noted that, if both the PCT-EASY reduction and the 75% reduction of the international filing fee are applicable, the 75% reduction is calculated after the PCT-EASY reduction.

**SUMMARY****Designated  
(or elected) Office****SUMMARY****TZ****BUSINESS REGISTRATIONS AND  
LICENSING AGENCY,  
MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND TRADE  
(UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA)****TZ****Summary of requirements for entry into the national phase**

Time limits applicable for entry into the national phase:	Under PCT Article 22(3): 21 months from the priority date Under PCT Article 39(1)(b): 31 months from the priority date
Translation of international application required into:	English
Required contents of the translation for entry into the national phase: <sup>1</sup>	Under PCT Article 22: Description, claims (if amended, as amended only, together with any statement under PCT Article 19), any text matter of drawings, abstract Under PCT Article 39(1): Description, claims, any text matter of drawings, abstract (if any of those parts has been amended, only as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)
Is a copy of the international application required?	No
National fee:	Currency: Tanzanian shilling (TZS) Filing fee: <sup>1</sup> TZS <sup>2</sup> ...
Exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee:	None
Special requirements of the Office (PCT Rule 51bis): <sup>3</sup>	Name and address of the inventor if they have not been furnished in the "Request" part of the international application <sup>4</sup> Document evidencing a change of name of the applicant if the change occurred after the international filing date and has not been reflected in a notification from the International Bureau (Form PCT/IB/306) <sup>4</sup> Appointment of an agent if the applicant is not resident in the United Republic of Tanzania
Who can act as agent?	Any patent attorney or patent agent registered to practice before the Office

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

<sup>2</sup> The amount of this fee is not yet known. It will be fixed in the near future. The Office or agent should be consulted for the latest applicable amount of the fee.

<sup>3</sup> If not already complied with within the time limit applicable under PCT Article 22 or 39(1), the Office will invite the applicant to comply with the requirement within a time limit fixed in the invitation.

<sup>4</sup> This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with Rule 4.17.