

PCT NEWSLETTER

PCT Filings in 2010

Provisional data indicate that approximately 162,900 international applications were filed under the PCT in 2010, representing an increase in filings over 2009 of 4.8%. This means that, following the first ever fall in PCT filings which occurred in 2009 as a result of the global economic downturn, filings were again on the increase and represented the second highest yearly total since operations began in 1978. It is important to note that ***this and the following figures for 2010 are provisional***, due to the fact that a number of PCT applications which were filed with national and regional Offices in 2010 have not yet been received at the International Bureau, and final figures will only be available later in the year.

The top four countries of filing were: the United States of America, with 44,855 international applications filed (representing 27.5% of all applications), followed by Japan with 32,156 (19.7%), Germany with 17,171 (10.5%), and then, for the first time, China reached fourth position with 12,337 applications (7.6%), followed by the Republic of Korea with 9,686 (5.9%). Applicants from the member States of the European Patent Convention, when grouped together, filed 32.4% of all international applications, a slightly lower share than in 2009 (34.6%). Although certain industrialized countries experienced a slight decline in growth rates, there was continued growth in filings from East Asian countries, in particular from China (which experienced a significant 56.2% increase), the Republic of Korea (+20.5%) and Japan (+7.9%). A table showing the top 15 countries of origin in ranking order, which includes information on share of filings and percentage growth rates, has been published in WIPO Press Release PR/2011/678, Annex 1, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2011/article_0004.html

A second table, Annex 5 of the press release, shows the number of PCT applications filed by country of origin (that is, by country of residence of the first applicant), for all countries.

The top PCT applicant in 2010 was, for the second year in a row, Panasonic Corporation from Japan, with 2,154 PCT applications published. Moving up 20 places to second place was the Chinese company ZTE Corporation, with 1,863 applications, and in third place was the US company Qualcomm Incorporated, with 1,677 applications. The top ten filers, which, apart from ZTE Corporation, were also in the top ten in 2009, are listed below, together with the number of international applications that were published in their names:

1.	Panasonic Corporation (JP)	2,154
2.	ZTE Corporation (CN)	1,863
3.	Qualcomm Incorporated (US)	1,677
4.	Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd (CN)	1,528
5.	Koninklijke Philips Electronics N.V. (NL)	1,435
6.	Robert Bosch GmbH (DE)	1,301
7.	LG Electronics Inc. (KR)	1,298

8.	Sharp Kabushiki Kaisha (JP)	1,286
9.	Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (SE)	1,149
10.	NEC Corporation (JP)	1,106

A list of the top 100 PCT applicants (with the most applications published in 2010) has been published in Annex 3 of the above-mentioned press release.

The field of technology which saw the fastest growth in 2010 was digital communication, with a 17.3% increase over 2009. This technical field accounted for the largest share of total PCT applications published in 2010 (7.0% of all published international applications), followed by medical technology (6.9%) and electrical machinery, apparatus and energy (6.0%). Almost every other field of technology experienced declines or modest growth. The sharpest decline in patenting was seen in the field of telecommunications. A table showing the number of PCT applications published by main field of technology appears in Annex 2 of the above-mentioned press release. (Note that these data are less positive than the figures for international applications filed as they are based on the number of international applications published in 2010, which, at 151,898, is lower than the number of international applications filed in 2010. The main reason for this is that many of the applications published in 2010 were actually filed in 2009, when there had been a decrease in filings.)

For further information, please refer to the above-mentioned press release, at the top of which you will also find a link to video and audio recordings of a press conference given by the Director General of WIPO, Mr. Francis Gurry.

The publication of the final figures for 2010 later in the year will be announced in the *PCT Newsletter*.

PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) Pilots

Australian Patent Office and USPTO; National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and USPTO

Two existing bilateral PPH pilot programs, between the Australian Patent Office (IP Australia) and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and between the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland (NBPR) and the USPTO, have been expanded, with effect from 24 January 2011, to include PCT international phase work. This means that faster examination in the national phase is available for a PCT application receiving a positive written opinion of either the International Searching Authority or the International Preliminary Examining Authority, or a positive international preliminary report on patentability (Chapter II of the PCT), issued within the framework of the PCT by the other participating Office in its capacity as ISA/IPEA.

PPH agreements streamline the patent system and fast-track the patent examination procedure. By requesting that their applications be processed under this program, applicants can have applications examined more quickly. The inclusion in the bilateral PPH agreements between IP Australia and the USPTO, and between the NBPR and the USPTO, of PCT work generated by those Offices will greatly expand the usefulness of the PPH program.

As far as the agreement between IP Australia and the USPTO is concerned, information on the requirements and procedures for the submission of a request with those Offices for participation

in the PCT-PPH pilot project is available on the PPH pages of the websites of IP Australia and the USPTO, at, respectively:

http://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/pdfs/patents/PPH_requirements.pdf and

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_ipau.jsp

For further information, please see the announcement by IP Australia, dated 18 January 2011, at:

http://www.ipaustralia.gov.au/pdfs/news/OfficialNotice_PPH_180111.pdf

and the announcement by the USPTO, dated 19 January 2011, at:

http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11_05.jsp

As far as the agreement between the NBPR and the USPTO is concerned, information on the requirements and procedures for the submission of a request with those Offices for participation in the PCT-PPH pilot project is available on the PPH pages of the websites of the NBPR and the USPTO, at, respectively:

http://www.prh.fi/en/patentit/pph/request_for_pph.html and

http://www.uspto.gov/patents/init_events/pph/pct_pph_nbpr.jsp

For further information, please see the announcement by the NBPR, dated 17 January 2011, at:

http://www.prh.fi/en/uutiset/P_233.html

and the announcement by the USPTO, dated 18 January 2011, at:

http://www.uspto.gov/news/pr/2011/11_04.jsp

Other PCT-PPH pilot programs were announced in *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2010, 06/2010, 10/2010 and 01/2011. These and the above-mentioned pilots are listed on the PCT-PPH pilot page of the PCT website at:

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

Modifications to the Administrative Instructions under the PCT

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011 regarding the modifications to the Administrative Instructions that entered into force on 1 January 2011, please note that in addition to the paragraphs in Annex C that were indicated as having been modified, a new paragraph 3^{ter} was added. Also, it should be noted that the modifications are applicable only in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 January 2011.

PCT Information Update

AL Albania (telephone and fax numbers; provisional protection; languages accepted for the filing of international applications and requests; time limits for entry into the national phase; required contents of the translation; special requirements for entry into the national phase)

The telephone and fax numbers of the Albanian Patents and Trademark Office have changed. The numbers to be used are now as follows:

Telephone: (355-42) 234 412

Fax: (355-42) 234 412

Provisions have been introduced, with effect from 1 May 2010, concerning provisional protection in Albania after international publication, as follows:

Where the designation is made for the purposes of a European patent and

- (1) the international application is published in one of the EPO official languages: the applicant has the right to seek compensation reasonable in the circumstances for any infringement, on condition that any national requirements relating to the translation of the claims in the application have been met (see Articles 67 and 153(4) EPC);¹ or
- (2) the international application is published in a language which is not an EPO official language: the protection referred to in (1) does not become effective until the EPO publishes the international application supplied to it in one of its official languages (see Article 153(4) EPC and Article 82(1), Albanian Industrial Property Law).

The Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the International Bureau (IB) that, pursuant to PCT Rule 12.1(a), it accepts Albanian, in addition to English, as a language in which an international application may be filed, and that, pursuant to PCT Rule 12.1(c), it accepts English as a language in which a request (Form PCT/RO/101) may be filed, with effect from 1 November 2008.

The Office has notified a change in the time limit applicable for entry into the national phase under PCT Article 22(3) before it as a designated Office. The new time limit, applicable since 1 November 2008, is 31 months from the priority date and applies to all international applications for which the previously applicable 30-month time limit had not yet expired on 1 November 2008.

Furthermore, there has been a change in the requirements of the Office concerning the contents of the translation for entry into the national phase before it as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 November 2008, as follows:

Under PCT Article 22:

Claims (if amended, as amended only)

1. For further details on the national law relating to the EPC see: www.epo.org/patents/law/legal-texts/national-law-epc.html, in particular, "Rights conferred by a European patent application after publication pursuant to Article 93 EPC (Article 67 EPC)" and "Translations for obtaining provisional protection".

Under PCT Article 39(1):

Claims (if amended, only as amended by the annexes to the international preliminary examination report)

There have been changes in the special requirements under PCT Rule 51*bis* of the Office as designated (or elected) Office, with effect from 1 November 2008. The list of special requirements now reads as follows:

Appointment of an agent if the applicant does not reside in Albania or is not a legal entity established under Albanian law

Name of the inventor if this has not been indicated in the “Request” part of the international application²

If someone, other than the inventor, applies for a patent, the application shall contain a declaration indicating the applicant’s right to the invention²

Any document relating to any transfer or assignment of the right to the application²

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex B1 (AL), Annex C (AL), National Chapter, Summary (AL), and of the table of Time Limits for Entering the National/Regional Phase under PCT Chapters I and II)

IS Iceland (fees)

Further to the information published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2011, as from 1 April 2011 there will be a change in the fee for restoration of the right of priority payable to the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office and as designated (or elected) Office, as follows:

Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority: ISK 24,000

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (IS) and National Chapter, Summary (IS), and of the table of “Restoration of the right of priority” (see “Table concerning restoration of the right of priority” under “New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet”, below))

RS Serbia (telephone number; e-mail and Internet addresses; fees)

The telephone number, and the e-mail and Internet addresses of the Intellectual Property Office (Serbia) have changed, as follows:

Telephone: (381-11) 20 25 800

E-mail: zis@zis.gov.rs

Internet: www.zis.gov.rs

The amounts of the following fees, payable to the Office as receiving Office, have changed with effect from 1 June 2010:

Transmittal fee:..... RSD 5,340

2. This requirement may be satisfied if the corresponding declaration has been made in accordance with PCT Rule 4.17.

Fee for priority document, for the first document up to ten pages:	RSD	1,280
plus, for each subsequent document up to ten pages:....	RSD	320
plus, per page in excess of ten:.....	RSD	30
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	RSD	2,140

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, have changed (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent:

Filing fee:	RSD	5,340
Claim fee for each claim in excess of 10:	RSD	530
Examination fee:	RSD	16,030
Annual fee for the first three years:	RSD	7,480

For petty patent:

Filing fee:	RSD	5,340
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All of the above-mentioned fees are reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a natural person.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (RS), Annex C (RS) and National Chapter, Summary (RS))

TR Turkey (fees)

The Turkish Patent Institute has notified the IB that the transmittal fee is no longer payable for international applications filed on or after 1 January 2011 with the Turkish Patent Institute as receiving Office.

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

UA Ukraine (filing international applications in PCT-EASY format)

The State Department of Intellectual Property (SDIP), Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that, with effect from 1 March 2011, it is prepared to accept the filing of international applications containing requests in PCT-EASY format, together with a PCT-EASY physical medium. The amount of the fee reduction applicable when filing in this way will be USD 103 (or the equivalent amount of that reduction in UAH or EUR).

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

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (competent International Authorities)

The IB acting for the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) has, with effect from 24 January 2011, specified the Australian Patent Office as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority, in addition to the Canadian Intellectual Property Office and the European Patent Office, for international

applications filed by nationals and residents of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines with the IB as receiving Office.

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

Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Austrian Patent Office, European Patent Office)

As from 1 April 2011, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in ZAR for international searches carried out by the Austrian Patent Office and the European Patent Office, and there will be a change in the amount payable in EUR for an international search carried out by the Australian Patent Office, as indicated in Fee Table I(b).

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

New/Updated PCT Resources on the Internet (<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en>)

Frequently asked questions: amendments under PCT Articles 19 and 34

Frequently asked questions about filing amendments to the claims under PCT Articles 19 and 34 are now available in French, in addition to English, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/faqs/amendments_19_and_34.html

Other language versions will be available shortly.

Time limits for entering the national phase

The table of time limits for entering the national phase has been updated with effect from 1 February 2011 and is available in English, French and Russian at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/time_limits.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/time_limits.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/time_limits.html

The table indicates, for each designated/elected Office, the time limits for entering the national (or regional) phase under Chapters I and II of the PCT.

Table concerning restoration of the right of priority

The table summarizing information received by the International Bureau regarding restoration of the right of priority by receiving Offices and designated Offices under PCT Rules 26*bis*.3 and 49*ter*.2 has been updated, with effect from 11 January 2011, in English, French and Russian at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/restoration.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/restoration.html>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/restoration.html>

PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities

The table of “PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities” has been updated, with effect from 11 January 2011, in English, French, German, Russian and Spanish at, respectively:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/ru/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html

PowerPoint presentation in Chinese

A PowerPoint presentation explaining the impact of the changes to the PCT Regulations that have entered into force on 1 July 2010 is now available in Chinese, at

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

It is recalled that this presentation is also available in English, French, German and Spanish at, respectively:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/de/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/es/texts/ppt/2010changes.ppt>

Demand Form in Chinese

The July 2010 version of the demand form (PCT/IPEA/401) is now available in editable PDF format in Chinese, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/zh/forms/demand/demand.pdf>

PCT Applicant's Guide in Japanese

An updated version of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* in Japanese (dated 1 April 2010) is now available in PDF format at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/ja/index.pdf>

PCT Glossary in Portuguese

The PCT Glossary, which provides PCT users with definitions of PCT terminology, is now available in Portuguese, in addition to English, French and Spanish, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/pt/texts/glossary.html>

PCT Regulations

The History of the PCT Regulations, a resource which charts chronologically, for each PCT Rule, any changes that have been made to that Rule, has been updated to include the July 2010 changes, and is available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/pct_regulations_history.pdf

Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees (Reminder)

Further to the many warnings that have been published in the *PCT Newsletter* about invitations to PCT applicants and agents to pay fees that do not come from the International Bureau of WIPO and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, new invitations have been identified originating from WIPD – World Intellectual Property Database.

To view examples of the invitations, as well as the many other examples which have been brought to the attention of WIPO by PCT users, and for further information on such requests in general, see:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.htm

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the International Bureau of WIPO alone which publishes all PCT applications promptly after the expiration of 18 months from the priority date (see PCT Article 21(2)(a)); there is no separate fee for such international publication, and the legal effects of international publication are set out in PCT Article 29.

If they have not already done so, PCT applicants and agents are advised to bring this information to the attention of the people responsible for handling payments of fees within their organizations, as well as to the attention of applicants and inventors who might also receive such requests. In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, please do not hesitate to contact the International Bureau:

Telephone: (41-22) 338 83 38

Fax: (41-22) 338 83 39

E-mail: pct.infoline@wipo.int

PATENTSCOPE® Search Service

PATENTSCOPE® search interface in Russian

The PATENTSCOPE® search interface is now available in Russian, in addition to Chinese, English, French, German, Japanese, Portuguese and Spanish, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/search/en/search.jsf>

The interface language can be changed by selecting “Language” in the “Options” menu or by selecting the language on the upper right hand corner of the interface. Other languages will be added in the near future.

News from the EPO

Information about a revised procedure for acknowledging receipt of international applications filed in paper form

The European Patent Office (EPO) has announced that, with effect from 1 March 2011, it will, in its capacity as receiving Office, have in place an automated system for producing the “receipt for documents” for (purported) international applications filed with it in paper form (by hand, post or fax), and is therefore revising its procedure for acknowledging receipt of such applications. As a consequence of this, the EPO is requesting applicants or their agents to adjust their administrative procedures as necessary. Further information on the revised procedure has been published in the *Official Journal of the EPO*, No. 12/2010, page 642, at:

http://archive.epo.org/epo/pubs/oj010/12_10/12_6420.pdf

Practical Advice

The extent to which PCT-PPH possibilities may influence the applicant’s choice of ISA/IPEA

Q: I am going to file an international application, and, being a national and resident of India, my competent receiving Office is the Indian Patent Office. I therefore have a very wide choice of International Searching Authorities (ISAs)/International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs), as follows: the Australian Patent Office, the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office (EPO), the State Intellectual Property Office of the People’s Republic of China (SIPO), the Swedish Patents and Registration Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO). Since I would like to take advantage of the PCT-Patent Prosecution Highway (PCT-PPH) programs upon entry into the national phase in order to fast-track the examination procedure in the national phase, which of these ISAs offer the possibility for fast track examination under the PCT-PPH?

A: The following patent Offices (of those available to you as ISA) offer PCT-PPH³, **provided you obtain positive results in the written opinion of the ISA** (or in the written opinion of the IPEA or the international preliminary report on patentability (IPRP Chapter II) if you file a demand for international preliminary examination) and any other necessary conditions are met:

- **Australian Patent Office:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the Australian Patent Office to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the United States Patent and Trademark Office to fast-track the examination procedure in its national phase;
- **Austrian Patent Office:** a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the Austrian Patent Office to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland and/or the USPTO to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases;

3. Situation at time of writing.

- **EPO**: a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the Japan Patent Office (JPO) and the USPTO. Therefore, if you choose the EPO to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request the JPO and/or the USPTO to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases;
- **USPTO**: a pilot PCT-PPH program exists with the Australian Patent Office, the Austrian Patent Office, the EPO, the National Board of Patents and Registration of Finland, the JPO, the Korean Intellectual Property Office, the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks of the Russian Federation (Rospatent) and the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office. Therefore, if you choose the USPTO to carry out the international search and/or international preliminary examination, you will be able to request all the above-mentioned Offices to fast-track the examination procedure in their respective national phases.

If you choose **SIPO** or the **Swedish Patent and Registration Office** to carry out your international search/preliminary examination, you will not be able to make use of any PCT-PPH programs as none are currently in operation. Note, however, that a number of regular PPH agreements exist which do not include PCT work products. Therefore, once you have entered the national phase in a country which has such a regular PPH agreement with other countries, you may be able to use the positive work product from the national phase to get accelerated PPH processing in the other countries. For further information on PPH agreements which do not include PCT work products, see the websites of the Offices concerned, some of which are linked to from:

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

As you can see, using the USPTO as ISA/IPEA would appear to offer the most possibilities for making use of accelerated national processing via PCT-PPH programs. You should bear in mind, however, that there are other factors to consider when choosing an ISA/IPEA, namely:

- the fee charged by the ISA/IPEA for carrying out an international search or preliminary examination (taking into account any possible fee reductions or refunds) – for details about the fees payable at the various ISAs/IPEAs, as well as any applicable reductions or refunds, see the relevant pages of Annexes D and E of the *PCT Applicant's Guide* at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/appguide/index.jsp>

- any fee exemptions, reductions or refunds that are available for national phase examination where particular ISAs/IPEAs have carried out the international search and preliminary examination – see the National Chapter Summaries in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*;
- the language of filing of the international application – if your international application is filed in a language which is not accepted by your chosen ISA/IPEA, you would have to incur translation costs (noting that if, in your case, the international application is filed in English, the above-mentioned ISAs/IPEAs will all carry out search and preliminary examination in English);
- the subject matter that an ISA/IPEA is prepared to search – ISAs/IPEAs are not required to search or examine any of the subject matter under PCT Rule 39.1 or 67.1. Information about whether exceptions to these rules exist can be found in the corresponding Agreements with the International Bureau of WIPO in relation to the

functioning of the International Searching and International Preliminary Examining Authorities under the PCT at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/access/isa_ipea_agreements.html

However, for specific details of the subject matter which is excluded, and the extent to which it is excluded, you should check the national or regional law applied by the Authority concerned.

- the length of time it may take for the ISA/IPEA to establish its written opinion or IPRP Chapter II – you might find it helpful to consult the timeliness statistics for the various Authorities which are available on the WIPO website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/ipstats/en/statistics/pct/>

Please also be aware that all the PCT-PPH programs are currently operating in the form of **pilot** programs (for details of expiration dates, see the respective websites that are linked to from the PCT-PPH pilot page at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/filing/pct_pph.html). Although it is expected that the pilot programs between the Authorities concerned will be successful, and will therefore be either extended or fully implemented, if you file an international application now, there is no guarantee that such a program will still be operating between any two Offices by the time you enter the national phase.

For further information on the PCT-PPH pilot programs, see *PCT Newsletter* Nos. 02/2010, 06/2010, 10/2010, 01/2011, and page 2 of this issue.

PCT Seminar Calendar			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 1 February 2011)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
2 February 2011 Ecully (FR)	French	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
9–10 February 2011 Milan (IT)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Sim	Ordine dei Consulenti in Proprietà Industriale and Association of Patent Attorneys in Industry (AICIPI) (For information: Segreteria Ordine Consulenti Proprietà Industriale Tel: (39-02) 551 81 44 E-mail: Consiglio@Ordine-Brevetti.it) (For registration: E-mail: info@aicipi.it)
17–18 February 2011 Munich (DE) [CANCELLED]	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Fourné-Godbersen	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
22–23 February 2011 Bucharest (RO)	English and Romanian	WIPO National Seminar on the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Trpkovska	WIPO and State Office for Inventions and Trademarks (OSIM) Tel: (40-21) 315 90 66 Fax: (40-21) 312 38 19 E-mail: office@osim.ro
3–4 March 2011 San Francisco (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	Intellectual Property International (Ms. Virginia H. Meyer) Tel: (1-415) 381 26 15 Fax: (1-415) 389 89 38 E-mail: info@ipiseminars.com Internet: www.ipiseminars.com
7–8 March 2011 Chicago (US)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bidwell	The John Marshall Law School Department of Event Management Tel: (1-312) 987 14 20 Fax: (1-312) 427 71 28 E-mail: Events@jmls.edu
21–22 March 2011 New York (NY) (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed Other speaker: Mr. Helfgott (Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP, New York)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
23 March 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Annual PCT conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-202) 97 47 93 22 Fax: (49-202) 7 99 06 00 E-mail: info@monika-huppertz.de Internet: www.monika-huppertz.de
24 March 2011 Copenhagen (DK)	English	Annual PCT conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Munich, above)
5–6 April 2011 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
7–8 April 2011 London (UK)	English	Basic PCT formalities seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Coeckelbergs and Mrs. Bisi-Kurkdjian	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 57 00 99 Fax: (44-1483) 53 64 24 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
7–8 April 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr
13 April 2011 Basel (CH)	English	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Coeckelbergs	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
20 April 2011 Riga (LV)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the "AIPPI Baltic Conference on Intellectual Property" (19-21 April 2011) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Latvian National Group of International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (Mr. Agris Bitāns) E-mail: mail@aippi.lv Internet: http://www.aippi-2011.info/
29–30 April 2011 Concord, New Hampshire (US)	English	Seminar on the PCT WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Franklin Pierce Law Center (Ms. Carol Ruh) Tel: (1-603) 228 15 41, ext. 1108 Fax: (1-603) 225 96 47 E-mail: cruh@piercelaw.edu Internet: www.piercelaw.edu/cle/pct.php
9-10 May 2011 San Diego (La Jolla), CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: www.pctlearningcenter.org
11-12 May 2011 Orange County, CA (US)	English	Comprehensive PCT Seminar WIPO speakers: Mrs. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	PCT Learning Center (see San Diego (La Jolla), above)
24 May 2011 Brussels (BE)	French	PCT presentation within the framework of the "Cours de formation de base en droit européen des brevets" WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI) (Ms. Christiane Melz) E-mail: christiane.melz@ceipi.edu
26 May 2011 Prein an der Rax (AT)	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	EPI/CEIPI HU-Seminar-Group (Mrs. Noémi Rosenich-Markó) E-mail: marko@rosenich.com
31 May 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Presentation on the PCT WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Fédération 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

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Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
7 June 2011 Dusseldorf (DE)	German	PCT advanced course WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (Ms. Monika Huppertz) Tel: (49-202) 97 47 93 22 Fax: (49-202) 7 99 06 00 E-mail: info@monika-huppertz.de Internet: www.monika-huppertz.de
5–6 October 2011 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Monika Huppertz Seminars & Trainings (see Dusseldorf, above)
14 October 2011 London (GB)	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the 10th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
7–8 December 2011 Lille (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr
8–9 December 2011 London (GB)	English	Advanced PCT Formalities course WIPO speakers: to be announced	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
9 December 2011 Paris (FR)	French	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (Ms. Françoise Chauvin) Tel: (33-1) 53 04 55 76 Fax: (33-1) 53 04 52 52 E-mail: fchauvin@inpi.fr

PCT Fee Tables

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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), (c) and (d) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 202(A). A 90% 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 2 and 13. (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 –	BHD	Bahraini dinar	GTQ	Quetzal	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SKK	Slovak koruna
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BRL	Brazilian real	HRK	Croatian kuna	MKD	Macedonian denar	THB	Baht
ISA	International Searching Authority	BYR	Belarussian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TJS	Tajik somoni
RO	receiving Office	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
		CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
		CLP	Chilean peso	ISK	Icelandic krona	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
<i>Currencies:</i>		CNY	Yuan renminbi	JPY	Japanese yen	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
		COP	Colombian peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
AED	United Arab Emirates dirham	CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KGS	Kyrgyz som	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
		CZK	Czech koruna	KPW	KP won	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KRW	KR won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	GBP	Pound sterling	LTL	Lithuanian litas	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GEL	Georgian lari	LVL	Latvian lat	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 February 2011, 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
					Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶ (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) ⁸ (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available							CA
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)							
AT	EUR	50	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
AU	AUD	150	AUD 1,414	16	106	213	319	AU KR
AZ	AZN	55,000	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
BE	EUR	40	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT EP US
BR	BRL	305	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD ⁹	–	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,398	16	105	210	315	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰	350	CLP eq USD ¹⁰ 1,367	eq USD ¹⁰ 15	eq USD ¹⁰ 103	–	–	EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN
CO	COP ⁹	–	COP eq USD 1,367	eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT, EP, ES, RU

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

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RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁵	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
CR	USD 250	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
CU	CUC 200	CUC 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP ES RU
CY	EUR 128.15	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK 1,500	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
DE	EUR 90	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
DK	DKK 1,500	DKK 7,450	80	560	1,120	1,680	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available						
DO	USD 275	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB 1,600	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
EC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
EE	EUR 115.04	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
EG	USD 142	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP US
EP	EUR 115	EUR 999	11	–	150	225	EP
ES	EUR 72.06	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP ES
FI	EUR 135	EUR 999	11	–	150	225	EP FI SE
FR	EUR 60	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
GB	GBP 75	GBP 864	10	–	130	195	EP
GD	Information not yet available						
GE	GEL ¹¹ 10	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
GH	GHS ¹² 2,500 or 5,000	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR 115	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD 250	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
HU	HUF 10,700	HUF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹³ 100	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	See footnote 14
	or EUR ¹³ 75	or EUR 999	11	75	150	225	
	or USD ¹³ 103	or USD 1,367	15	103	206	308	
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU EP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
IL	ILS 546	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP US
IN	INR 8,000 (filing by indiv: 2,000)	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE US
IS	ISK 7,700	ISK 153,800	1,700	11,600	23,100	34,700	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 13,000	JPY 114,000	1,300	8,600	–	25,700	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
KM	Information not yet available						
KN	Information not yet available						
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	KRW 1,535,000	17,000	115,000	–	346,000	AT AU JP ¹⁵ KR

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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
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
KZ	KZT 7,360 ¹⁶	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ⁹ –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	LTL 320	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
LV	LVL 48.40	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP RU
LY	LYD ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ¹⁷	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	MWK 210,800	2,400	15,800	–	–	EP
MX	MXN eq USD 323.70 ¹⁸	MXN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 375 ¹⁹	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
NO	NOK 550	NOK 8,030	90	600	–	–	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 180 ²⁰	NZD 1,844	21	139	–	–	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ⁹ –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,367	eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT EP ES US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,367	15	103	206	308	AU EP JP KR US
PL	PLN 300	PLN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
PT	EUR 20	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
RO	RON 300,000	CHF 1,330	15	100	200	300	EP RU
RS	RSD 5,340 ²¹	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 600	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
SC	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,250	100	700	1,390	2,090	EP SE
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,797	20	135	–	–	AT AU EP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 999	11	75	–	–	EP
SK	EUR 66	EUR 999	11	75	150	225	EP
SM	EUR 50	EUR 999	11	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP ES
SY	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND ⁹ –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²² 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,367 (from 1.3.11: 1,367)	15 (15)	– (103)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240	USD 1,367	15	103	206	–	AU EP KR US
UZ	USD ⁹ –	USD 1,367	15	103	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	Eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 9,570	110	720	–	–	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,367	15	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,367	Eq USD 15	eq USD 103	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees
(amounts on 1 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²³	EUR 1,700 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 2,263 ZAR 14,980)	KRW 2,613,000	SGD 3,060	USD 2,326	ZAR* 16,280		
AU	AUD 1,900 USD 1,837 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 1,787 ZAR 12,860 EUR 1,461)	EUR* 1,343	KRW 2,063,000	NZD 2,478	SGD 2,410		
BR ²⁴	BRL 1,900	CHF 1,092	EUR 820	USD 1,122				
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,522	EUR 1,143	USD 1,564				
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 305	EUR 229	USD 314				
EP ²⁵	EUR 1,785 MWK 377,000 ZAR* 17,090 * (from 1.4.11)	CHF 2,376 NOK 14,350 ZAR 15,730)	DKK 13,310 NZD 3,295	GBP 1,543 SEK 16,530	ISK 275,000 SGD 3,210	JPY 203,700 USD 2,443		
ES ²⁵	EUR 1,785	CHF 2,376	USD 2,443					
FI	EUR 1,785	CHF 2,376	USD 2,443					
JP	JPY 97,000	CHF 1,132	EUR 850	KRW 1,306,000	USD 1,163			
KR	For searches carried out in English: KRW 1,300,000 AUD 1,197 CHF 1,126 EUR 846 NZD 1,562 SGD 1,520 USD 1,157 For searches carried out in Korean: KRW 450,000 AUD 414 CHF 390 EUR 293 NZD 541 SGD 530 USD 401							
RU	RUB 13,500	CHF 431	EUR 324	USD 443				
SE	SEK 16,530 USD 2,443	CHF 2,376	DKK 13,310	EUR 1,785	ISK 275,000	NOK 14,350		
US	USD 2,080	CHF 2,023	EUR 1,520	NZD 2,810	ZAR 14,550			
XN	DKK 13,310	CHF 2,376	EUR 1,785	ISK 275,000	NOK 14,350	USD 2,443		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees
(amounts on 1 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 1,132 – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,584 – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 2,263	CHF 200
EP	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
FI	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
RU	Eq in CHF of RUB ²⁶ 9,450 (13,500) ²⁷	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,376	CHF 200
XN	CHF 2,376	CHF 200

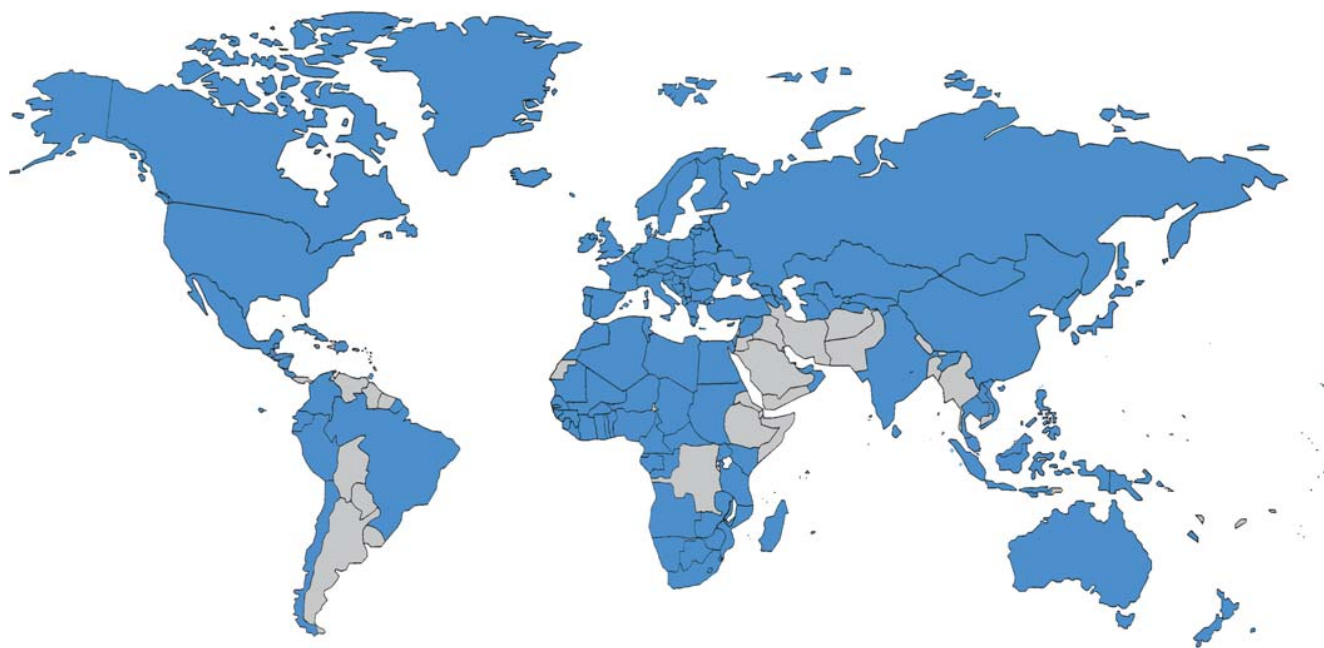
Table II — Preliminary examination fees
(amounts on 1 February 2011, unless otherwise indicated)

IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ²⁸		Handling fee ^{2, 28} (CHF 200)	
AT ²³	EUR	1,675	EUR	150
AU	AUD	550	AUD	213
BR ²⁴	BRL	710	BRL	348
CA	CAD	800	CAD	210
CN	CNY	1,500	CNY eq CHF	200
EP ²⁵	EUR	1,760	EUR	150
ES	EUR	566.49	EUR	150
FI	EUR	600	EUR	150
JP	JPY	36,000	JPY	17,100
KR	KRW	450,000	KRW	231,000
RU	RUB	5,400 ³⁰	USD	206
SE	SEK	5,000	SEK	1,390
US	USD	600	USD	206
XN	DKK	5,000	DKK	1,120

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 Resources page at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 3 Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 8 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 9 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.
- 10 When calculating the USD equivalent amount in CLP, applicants should use the exchange rate fixed by the Central Bank of Chile on the day before the date of payment.
- 11 This fee is reduced by 80% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 12 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.
- 13 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT Resources page at: www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf
- 14 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*, Annex C (IB).
- 15 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 16 This fee is subject to value added tax (VAT). Applicants may consult the receiving Office or a registered patent attorney for the latest applicable VAT rate.
- 17 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 18 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 19 Plus MYR 45 for each sheet in excess of 30.
- 20 Plus Goods and Services Tax for New Zealand residents.
- 21 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 22 This fee is reduced by 95% where all applicants are also inventors and by 90% 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 90%.
- 23 The fee will be 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).
- 24 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium enterprise or an academic institution.
- 25 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% under certain conditions. For further information, see the relevant footnote in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes D (EP and ES) and E (EP) at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/index.html>
- 26 This amount refers to the equivalent amount in Swiss francs, at the exchange rate of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, applicable on the date of payment.
- 27 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).
- 28 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 29 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 30 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property, Patents and Trademarks (Russian Federation).
- 31 In all cases where footnote 30 does not apply.
- 32 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*, Annex C (US)).

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AM Armenia (EA)	DE Germany (EP)	IT Italy (EP) ³	MR Mauritania (OA) ³	SM San Marino (EP) ⁷
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BZ Belize	GM Gambia (AP)	LU Luxembourg (EP)	PG Papua New Guinea	UA Ukraine
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CG Congo (OA) ³	GR Greece (EP) ³	MA Morocco	PT Portugal (EP)	UZ Uzbekistan
CH Switzerland (EP)	GT Guatemala	MC Monaco (EP) ³	RO Romania (EP)	VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines
CI Côte d'Ivoire (OA) ³	GW Guinea-Bissau (OA) ³	MD Republic of Moldova (EA)	RS Serbia (EP) ^{2,6}	VN Viet Nam
CL Chile	HN Honduras	ME Montenegro ²	RU Russian Federation (EA)	ZA South Africa
CM Cameroon (OA) ³	HR Croatia (EP)	MG Madagascar	SC Seychelles	ZM Zambia (AP)
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	IE Ireland (EP) ³			

1 Only international applications filed on or after 1 May 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

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6 Only international applications filed on or after 1 October 2010 include the designation of this State for a European patent.

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