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Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications

Iceland, Norway and the Philippines: Icelandic Patent Office, Norwegian Industrial Property Office and Intellectual Property Office (Philippines) (will) accept ePCT-Filings

The Icelandic Patent Office, the Norwegian Industrial Property Office and the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines), in their capacities as receiving Offices (RO/IS, RO/NO and RO/PH), have notified the International Bureau (IB) that they are prepared to accept international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing function in the ePCT Portal on the following dates:

RO/NO:	1 December 2015
RO/IS:	1 January 2016
RO/PH:	4 January 2016

In the case of RO/NO and RO/IS, this will be in addition to PCT-SAFE and EPO online filing, and, with effect from 1 December 2015 and 1 January 2016, respectively, they (will) no longer accept international applications in electronic form filed on physical media.

Revised notifications containing the requirements and practices of RO/NO and RO/IS with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form were published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 3 December 2015 and 10 December 2015, respectively, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

and the notification containing the requirements and practices of RO/PH will be published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* shortly.

This information updates the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C (NO, IS and PH).

Azerbaijan and the Russian Federation: State Committee for Standardization, Metrology and Patent of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) (will) begin receiving and processing international applications in electronic form

The State Committee for Standardization, Metrology and Patent of the Republic of Azerbaijan and the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), in their capacities as receiving Offices (RO/AZ and RO/RU), have notified the IB under PCT Rule 89*bis*.1(d) that they are prepared to receive and process international applications in electronic form on the following dates:

RO/AZ:	1 December 2015
RO/RU:	1 January 2016

The Offices (will) accept international applications filed using the ePCT-Filing function in the ePCT Portal. The applicable electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees are indicated in Fee Table I(a).

The notification containing the requirements and practices of RO/AZ with regard to the filing of international applications in electronic form was published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 26 November 2015 at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf

and the notification containing the requirements and practices of RO/RU will be published in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* shortly.

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

The acceptance of ePCT-Filings by the above-mentioned Offices will bring to 32 the total number of receiving Offices which do so.¹

Non-working Days at the IB

For the purposes of computing time limits under PCT Rule 80.5, the days on which the International Bureau (IB) will not be open for business are, for the period from 1 January to 31 December 2016, the following:

All Saturdays and Sundays, and

1 January 2016

25 and 28 March 2016

5 May 2016

16 May 2016

8 September 2016

26 December 2016

30 December 2016

Note that the days indicated above concern only the IB and not the national or regional Offices. The closed dates in 2016 for other Offices are available on the PCT website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/dc/closeddates/faces/page/index.xhtml>

Using DAS to Provide US Priority Documents for a PCT Application

On 30 November 2015, along with changes to the Application Data Sheet form, changes to United States Rule 37 CFR 1.14(h) entered into force which simplify the process by which US applicants provide authorization to share US patent application file content with foreign IP Offices. The practical effect of this is that it will reduce inadvertent omissions of the required

¹ ePCT-Filing is now available for online filing with the following receiving Offices: RO/IB, RO/AT, RO/AU, RO/AZ, RO/BR, RO/CA, RO/CL, RO/CO, RO/CZ, RO/DK, RO/DZ, RO/EA, RO/EE, RO/EP, RO/FI, RO/HU, RO/IN, RO/IS (from 1 January 2016), RO/LV, RO/MX, RO/MY, RO/NO, RO/NZ, RO/PH (from 4 January 2016), RO/PL, RO/QA, RO/RU (from 1 January 2016), RO/SA, RO/SE, RO/SG, RO/TR and RO/ZA.

authorization and make it easier to use the WIPO Digital Access Service for Priority Documents (DAS) to retrieve priority documents based on US patent applications filed on or after this date. Previously, when completing the Application Data Sheet in respect of the earlier application, it was necessary to actively check a box to make the authorization for the USPTO to release that document to other Offices. Now, the Application Data Sheet has a preprinted authorization with the ability to opt-out of the authorization by checking a box. This means that applicants are less likely to forget to make that authorization in the earlier application.

It is recalled that when using DAS to meet priority document requirements in relation to an earlier US national application, the relevant portion of the PCT request form must be completed (requesting the International Bureau to obtain a certified copy of the earlier application from a digital library), indicating the US application number, the US filing date and the access code, which is the 4-digit confirmation number found on the acknowledgement of receipt of the earlier application. A request for the receiving Office to prepare and transmit the certified copy is the preferred option for US applicants that file an international application with the RO/US.

For further information, please see:

<https://federalregister.gov/a/2015-27335>

Please note that the “Authorization or Opt-Out of Authorization to Permit Access” section of the revised Application Data Sheet is only reviewed and processed with the initial filing of the earlier application. Otherwise, Form PCT/SB/39 (or an applicant-generated equivalent) must be used to provide the required authorization.

PCT Information Update

AT Austria (number of copies required)

The Austrian Patent Office has changed its requirement concerning the number of copies of the international application to be filed with it as receiving Office – it now requires only one copy instead of three.

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

AU Australia (e-mail notifications; time when name and address of inventor must be given; deposits of microorganisms and other biological material)

The Australian Patent Office has notified the International Bureau (IB) that it will now send notifications via e-mail in respect of international applications.

The Office has notified a change in its requirements as to the time when the name and address of the inventor must be given if Australia is designated (or elected) – this information must be in the request form or must be furnished within two months from the date of the invitation.

There has been a change to the text concerning the requirements of the Office with regard to the making of deposits of microorganisms and other biological material. The text now reads as follows:

An applicant may give notice that the furnishing of a sample of a microorganism shall only be effected prior to the grant of a patent, or to the lapsing, refusal or withdrawal of an application, to a person who is a skilled addressee without an interest in the invention (Regulation 3.25A(2) of the Australian Patents Regulations). The applicant must give

notice directly to the Australian Patent Office before the application is made available to the public (normally the international publication date).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (AU) and Annex L (AU))

AZ Azerbaijan (electronic filing; national security provisions; fees)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 December 2015, by the State Committee for Standardization, Metrology and Patent of the Republic of Azerbaijan as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

The Office has provided additional details to the IB concerning restrictions in its national legislation which are applicable when filing international applications with the Eurasian Patent Office or the IB as receiving Office as follows: filing restrictions apply to applications containing State secrets (Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on Patents, Article 25).

There has been a change in the amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office (other fees not indicated have not changed):

For patent or utility model:

Additional fee for each independent claim in excess of one:	AZN	20
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(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (AZ) and National Chapter, Summary (AZ))

BR Brazil (who can act as agent)

There has been a change as to who can act as agent before the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) as receiving Office or designated (or elected) Office – any natural or legal person resident in Brazil may now act as agent.

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

GT Guatemala (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Registry of Intellectual Property (Guatemala) has specified, with effect from 18 November 2015, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile), in addition to the Austrian Patent Office, the European Patent Office, the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil), the Spanish Patent and Trademark Office and the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Guatemala with the Registry of Intellectual Property (or the IB) as receiving Office.

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

IL Israel (fees; requirements concerning the translation of the international application; special requirements for entry into the national phase)

As from 1 January 2016, there will be a change in the amount of the following fees, payable to the Israel Patent Office as receiving Office:

Transmittal fee:.....	ILS	551
Fee for priority document:.....	ILS	86

The amount of the following national fee, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office, will change with effect from the same date:

Filing fee	ILS	2,017
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The Office in its capacity as designated (or elected) Office has notified a change in its requirements concerning the languages of the translation of the international application – the translation is now required into English (instead of English or Hebrew).

The Office has also removed the requirement for the furnishing of two copies of the international application (if in English) or of its translation, and the requirement for the furnishing of a translation of the international application into English or Hebrew.

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

IS Iceland (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 January 2016, by the Icelandic Patent Office as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, see “Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications”, above.

KZ Kazakhstan (location and mailing address; telephone and fax numbers; Internet address; types of protection; fees)

The location and mailing address and the telephone and fax numbers of the National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan) have changed, and the Office has discontinued one of its Internet addresses and notified another one, as follows:

Location and mailing address:	Kazakhstan Respublikasy, Adilet ministrligi Sol zhagalau Orynbor 8 Kireberis 13 Astana 010000, Kazakhstan (general matters)
	Ultyk ziyatkerlik menshik instituty Sol zhagalau Orynbor 8 Kireberis 1 Astana 010000, Kazakhstan (application processing)
Telephone:	(7-7172) 74 95 80, 74 91 33, 74 96 60
Fax:	(7-7172) 74 96 21
Internet:	www.kazpatent.kz www.adilet.gov.kz

The Office has notified the IB of a change concerning the types of protection available in Kazakhstan via the PCT – innovative patents are no longer available with effect from 4 July 2015. This updates the table of “Types Protection Available via the PCT in PCT Contracting States” published on the PCT website at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/typesprotection.pdf>

The amount of the fee for priority document, payable to the Office as receiving Office, has changed to KZT 2,730.56 plus value added tax (VAT) in case of filing by a legal entity, and KZT 818.72 in case of filing by a natural person.

The amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office have also changed:

For patent:

Filing fee:

– electronic filing: KZT 17,271.52

– paper filing:..... KZT 20,320.16

Examination fee: KZT 66,959.20

For utility model:

Filing fee:

– electronic filing: KZT 13,982.08

– paper filing:..... KZT 16,450.56

Annual fees for the first three years, per year:..... KZT 16,450.56

There has been a change in the exemptions, reductions or refunds of the national fee – the examination fee is now reduced by 20% (previously 15%) where an international search report or an international preliminary examination report has been established.

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

LA Lao People's Democratic Republic (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The IB, acting as competent receiving Office for the Lao People's Democratic Republic, has specified, with effect from 1 January 2016, the Japan Patent Office (JPO), in addition to the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of the Lao People's Democratic Republic with the IB as receiving Office. The JPO will be competent only for international applications filed in English.

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

MZ Mozambique (telephone number; means of telecommunication)

The telephone number of the Industrial Property Institute (Mozambique) has changed, as follows:

Telephone: (258-82) 301 43 74, (258-84) 300 62 15

The Office has also informed the IB that it now accepts the filing of documents by e-mail, in addition to fax.

There has been a change in the amounts of the following national fees, payable to the Office as designated (or elected) Office:

For patent:

Filing fee:	[no change]
Annual fee for the first year:	MZM 850
Annual fee for the second year:	MZM 1,150

For utility model:

Filing fee:	MZM 1,850
Annual fee for the first and second year, per year:.....	MZM 850

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

NO Norway (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 December 2015, by the Norwegian Industrial Property Office as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

PH Philippines (electronic filing)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 4 January 2016, by the Intellectual Property Office (Philippines) as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

RU Russian Federation (electronic filing; fees)

For information on the acceptance, with effect from 1 January 2016, by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation) as receiving Office of international applications filed using ePCT-Filing, as well as information on the electronic filing fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees that will be applicable, see "Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications", above.

SV El Salvador (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the National Center of Registries (El Salvador) has changed, as follows:

E-mail: propiedadintelectual@cnr.gob.sv

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex B1 (SV))

VC Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (time limits for entry into the national phase)

There has been a change in the time limit for entry into the national phase under PCT Articles 22(3) and 39(1)(b) before the Commerce and Intellectual Property Office (CIPO) (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines) as a designated and elected Office. The time limit is now 31 months from the priority date.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (VC) and the table of "Time Limits for Entering National/Regional Phase under PCT Chapters I and II")

Search fee and other fees relating to international search (Spanish Patent and Trademark Office)

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has notified the IB that the search fee for an international search carried out by it and the additional search fee do not apply to public universities in Spain, which are exempt from paying these fees.

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

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

The Spanish Patent and Trademark Office has notified the IB that the preliminary examination fee and additional preliminary examination fee, payable to it as International Preliminary Examining Authority, do not apply to public universities in Spain, which are exempt from paying these fees.

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

New/updated PCT Resources

Report of the PCT Working Group

The report (document PCT/WG/8/26) of the eighth session of the PCT Working Group, which took place from 26 to 29 May 2015, has been adopted by correspondence and is now available, along with the other documents for the session, on the WIPO website at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=35593

PATENTSCOPE News

Additions to the national collection of the Republic of Korea

The PATENTSCOPE search system now includes, in the national patent collection of the Republic of Korea, patent data in Korean. The collection of the Republic of Korea now includes about 3.4 million records in the form of: bibliographic data, searchable full-text and drawings in Korean with front file data in the new WIPO Standard ST.96. Any new data will become available within a month after its first publication in KIPRIS, the patent search system of the Korean Intellectual Property Office (KIPO). For users who do not know the Korean language, the in-house developed tool CLIR will allow them to search in the descriptions and claims in Korean.

The addition of this patent data of the Republic of Korea in Korean brings to over 50 million the total number of patent documents in the PATENTSCOPE search system; it is available at:

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

Practical Advice

Submitting sequence listings as part of the international application and for the purpose of international search

Q: I am going to file an international application electronically, in PDF format, containing a sequence listing. Since the International Searching Authority requires that sequence listings be submitted in text format for the purposes of international search, would it be possible to furnish the sequence listing after the filing of the international application?

A: It is recalled that according to PCT Rule 5.2(a), “where the international application contains disclosure of one or more nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences, the description shall contain a sequence listing complying with the standard provided for in the Administrative Instructions and presented as a separate part of the description in accordance with that standard”. The standard referred to is contained in Annex C of the PCT Administrative Instructions (“Standard for the Presentation of Nucleotide and Amino Acid Sequence Listings in International Patent Applications under the PCT”) and in WIPO Standard ST.25 (see: <http://www.wipo.int/standards/en/pdf/03-25-01.pdf>). A Standard-compliant sequence listing will be referred to hereinafter as an Annex C/ST.25 sequence listing. An Annex C/ST.25 sequence listing is used for the prosecution of the application before all PCT Authorities (receiving Offices and International Searching Authorities (ISAs) and International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs)) in the international phase, as well as before the designated (or elected) Offices in the national phase (see PCT Rule 13ter.3).

Any sequence listing forming part of the international application **must be filed at the same time as the rest of the international application**, and be presented as a separate part of the description. If the sequence listing is submitted after the international filing date, it cannot normally be part of the international application, and will not be published with the international application. However, it might be possible to add it to the international application under certain circumstances (see penultimate paragraph, below). When submitting a sequence listing at the same time as the international application, you should clearly indicate that you are submitting it as part of the international application. In ePCT-Filing you should use the “International search” tab. In the PCT-SAFE software, you should check the box labeled “Description contains sequence listing” on the “Biology” page to create the sequence listing item on the “Contents” page.

When filing an international application electronically in PDF format, you are strongly advised to submit the sequence listing part of the description in text format, not only because the sequence listing must, in any case, be prepared in that format for the purposes of international search, but also to avoid having to pay extra fees; if the sequence listing part of the description is filed in PDF format (or on paper), the pages making up the sequence listing will be counted when determining the total number of pages/sheets of the international application and may be subject to the fee per sheet in excess of 30; this fee is not payable for sequence listings filed in text format.

Any sequence listing contained in an international application filed in electronic form must be in an electronic document format, and be filed by a means of transmittal that has been specified

by the receiving Office for the purposes of filing of international applications in electronic form. Please be aware that when you file your international application using ePCT-Filing or PCT-SAFE, a basic check of the sequence listing file is made. Although the software does not fully verify that the sequence is valid, it does check the opening lines to ensure that certain required tags are included.

If the sequence listing does not meet the necessary requirements, or where nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences are disclosed in the application but no sequence listing has been filed, the ISA will invite you (using Form PCT/ISA/225) to furnish, within a fixed time limit, an Annex C/ST.25 sequence listing in electronic text form so that it can properly carry out the international search (PCT Rule 13*ter*.1(a)). In either situation, you would have to make a statement in your response that the sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed. You may also have to pay a late furnishing fee (PCT Rule 13*ter*.1(c)) to the ISA. If you fail to comply with the necessary requirements of the ISA, the international search may be restricted, that is, the examiner may not search claims directed to specific sequences (PCT Rule 13*ter*.1(d)). (Note that the requirements in relation to sequence listings for the purposes of international search also apply during international preliminary examination (PCT Rule 13*ter*.2).)

Where a sequence listing filed in text format for the purposes of international search does not form part of the international application and was sent direct to the ISA, the ISA will transmit a copy to the IB, and the IB will publish the sequence listing on PATENTSCOPE at the time of publication of the international application with an indication that it did not form part of the application.

Where the sequence listing contains any free text, that free text must be repeated in the main part of the description (see PCT Rule 5.2 and Annex C, paragraph 36).

Please see Annex C for detailed information about the Standard for the presentation of sequence listings. Please be advised that dedicated software is available free of charge for the preparation of sequence listings in electronic format, for example:

- (1) "PatentIn" from the website of the United States Patent and Trademark Office at:
<http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/patin/patentin.htm>

and also from the website of the Japan Patent Office at:

https://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/t_tokkyo/shutsugan/idensi_txt_de-ta.htm

- (2) BiSSAP from the website of the European Patent Office; for further details, see:
<http://www.epo.org/applying/online-services/online-filing/auxiliary/bissap.html>

Note that if you fail to include the sequence listing as part of the application, it might be possible, under certain circumstances, for a later-filed sequence listing to become part of the international application in the following situations:

- inclusion by incorporation by reference under PCT Rule 20.6, provided that the necessary conditions are met (see the "Practical Advice" in *PCT Newsletter* No. 12/2014). You should, however, be aware that PCT Rule 20.6 is not compatible with the national law of some receiving Offices and designated Offices, with the result that such Offices may not accept sequence listings which have been incorporated by reference (see the "Practical Advice" in *PCT Newsletter* No. 07-08/2015);

- if a sequence listing cannot be incorporated by reference, it can be submitted to the RO within 2 months of the international filing date to complete the international application (PCT Rule 20.5(a)(i)). In this situation the date of submission of the sequence listing will become the international filing date;
- if you file a demand for international preliminary examination, a sequence listing may be filed as an amendment of the description under PCT Article 34, provided that it does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed (PCT Rule 13*ter*.1(e)).

Further information on the filing of sequence listings is available in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, International Phase, paragraphs 5.099 to 5.104 and 7.005 to 7.012 at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/guide/en/gdvol1/pdf/gdvol1.pdf>

and in the Administrative Instructions, Annex C, at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/pdf/ai.pdf>

PCT Seminar Calendar

(<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf>)

(situation on 10 December 2015)

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
14 December 2015 Fukuoka (JP)	Japanese	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Tachibana	Japan Patent Office Information Dissemination and Policy Promotion Division Tel: (81-3) 35 81 11 01 ext. 2107 Internet: https://www.jpo.go.jp/torikumi/ibento/ibento2/h27_chiteki_setumeikai.htm
17 December 2015 Riga (LV) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	Basic training seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Sim	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Arvis Grinbergs, Latvian Patent Office) Tel: (371) 67 22 00 38 Fax: (371) 67 21 07 67 E-mail: arvis.grinbergs@lrpv.gov.lv
3 February 2016 Ecully (FR)	French	PCT presentation WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre Paul Roubier Tel: (33-4) 78 33 07 08 Fax: (33-4) 78 33 58 96
11–12 February 2016 Bucharest (RO) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Mr. Henninger	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Mihaela Teodorescu) Tel: (40-0) 77 386 7751 Fax: (40-0) 31 436 0665 E-mail: office@mteodorescu.ro
29 February 2016 Munich (DE)	German	PCT seminar – “Best Practices” WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
5 March 2016 Istanbul (TR)	English	PCT training workshop in the framework of the Istanbul International Invention Festival (ISIF) (3–6 March 2016) WIPO speaker: to be announced	International Federation of Inventors' Associations (IFIA) (Mr. Bijan Nasiri Azam) E-mail: bijan.nasiri@ifia.com Internet: http://www.ifia.com
12 April 2016 Frankfurt (DE)	German	PCT seminar – “Recent Developments in the EP, PCT and US procedures” WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park Other speaker: Mr. Naumann (formerly European Patent Office)	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
9 May 2016 Istanbul (TR) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	PCT seminar in the framework of the second year of basic training WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Selda Arkan) Tel: (90-212) 293 32 42 Fax: (90-212) 244 51 21 E-mail: selda.arkan@alfapatent.com.tr ; alfa@alfapatent.com.tr

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PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]

Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
11-12 May 2016 Munich (DE)	German	Basic PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
15 September 2016 Lisbon (PT) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. João Amaral) Tel: (351) 218 818 100 Fax: (351) 218 878 508 E-mail: jamaral@inpi.pt Internet: www.inpi.pt
6 October 2016 Barcelona (ES) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Antonio López-Carrasco Comajuncosas Tel : (34-93) 123 31 01 E-mail: antonio.lopez-carrascocomajuncosas@telefonica.com
12-13 October 2016 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
2-3 November 2016 Munich (DE)	German	PCT update/conference WIPO speaker: to be announced	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
18-19 November 2016 Cracow (PL) <i>(a limited number of places are available to the public)</i>	English	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speaker: to be announced	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Lukasz Bodgan) Tel: (48) 604 406 432 E-mail: lukasz.bodgan@agh.edu.pl
24-25 November 2016 Dresden (DE)	German	PCT presentation on recent developments in the PCT within the framework of the PAFA-Tagung 2016 conference WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle-Park	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de
6-7 December 2016 Paris (FR)	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms Chatel	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 December 2016 Paris (FR)	French	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (see Paris, above)

PCT Webinars			
Date and time	Language of webinar	Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers	Registration
15 December 2015 17:30–18:30 CET or 17 December 2015 08:30–09:30 CET	English	PATENTSCOPE webinar: Retrospective of 2015 and plans for 2016 WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6065860882481709057

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers¹			
Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
1 December 2015 San Diego (Del Mar), CA (US)	English	PCT Boot Camp Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (Ms. Frimmel Smith) Tel: (1-571) 212 38 68 Fax: (1-703) 636 89 74 E-mail: contact@pctlearningcenter.org Internet: pctlearningcenter.org
8 December 2015 Boston, MA (US)	English	PCT Boot Camp Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Houston, above)
10 March 2016 Augsburg (DE)	German	PCT seminar: "PCT Procedure" Speaker: Ms. Huppertz	IP for IP Intellectual Property for Intellectual People GmbH (Ms. Annette Kapeller) Tel: (49-0) 6201 844 37 30 Fax: (49-0) 6201 98 62 10 E-mail: info@ipforip.de Internet: www.ipforip.de

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PCT Fee Tables (amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

The following Tables show the amounts and currencies of the main PCT fees which are payable to the receiving Offices (ROs) and the International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs) during the international phase under Chapter I (Tables I(a) and I(b)) and under Chapter II (Table II). Fees which are payable only in particular circumstances are not shown; nor are details of certain reductions and refunds which may be available; such information can be found in the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes C, D and E. Note that all amounts are subject to change due to variations in the fees themselves or fluctuations in exchange rates. The international filing fee may be reduced by CHF 100, 200 or 300 where the international application, or part of the international application, is filed in electronic form, as prescribed under Item 4(a), (b) and (c) of the Schedule of Fees (annexed to the Regulations under the PCT) and the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, paragraph 5.189. A 90% reduction in the international filing fee (including the fee per sheet over 30), the supplementary search handling fee and the handling fee, as well as an exemption from the transmittal fee payable to the International Bureau as receiving Office, is also available to applicants from certain States—see footnotes 2 and 15. (Note that if the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction, as the case may be, and the 90% reduction are applicable, the 90% reduction is calculated **after** the CHF 100, 200 or 300 reduction.) The footnotes to the Fee Tables follow Table II.

Key to abbreviations used in fee tables:

eq	equivalent of –	BRL	Brazilian real	HUF	Hungarian forint	MXN	Mexican peso	TND	Tunisian dinar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NOK	Norwegian krone	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
RO	receiving Office	CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	NZD	New Zealand dollar	USD	US dollar
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian rial	PEN	Nuevo sol	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	PGK	Kina	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		COP	Colombian peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	ZAR	South African rand
Currencies:		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	QAR	Qatari riyal		
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won	RON	New leu		
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AUD	Australian dollar	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	RUB	Russian rouble		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	SDG	Sudanese pound		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LYD	Libyan dinar	SEK	Swedish krona		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHG	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	SGD	Singapore dollar		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	THB	Baht		
BND	Brunei dollar	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni		
		HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha				

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2} (CHF 1,330)	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3} (CHF 15)	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
					Item 4(a) ⁵ (CHF 100)	Item 4(b) ⁶ (CHF 200)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available							CA
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU
AP	USD	50 <i>(or eq in local currency)</i>	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP SE
AT	EUR	52	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	191 <i>(183)</i>	287 <i>(275)</i>	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD 1,848 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,922)</i>	21 <i>(22)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	278 <i>(289)</i>	417 <i>(434)</i>	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30 ⁸	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	208 <i>(205)</i>	312 <i>(307)</i>	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BE	EUR	120	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 <i>(14)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU JP EP
BR	BRL ⁹	online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	200	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP
BY	USD	50	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 <i>(15)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	– <i>(–)</i>	EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹		International filing fee ^{1,2}		Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
						Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
BZ	BZD	300	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CA EP	
CA	CAD	300	CAD 1,799 (from 1.1.16: 1,782)	20 (20)	– (–)	270 (268)	406 (402)	CA	
CH	CHF	100	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP	
CL	CLP eq USD ¹⁰	130	CLP eq USD ¹⁰ 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	eq USD ¹⁰ 16 (15)	– (–)	208 (205)	312 (307)	CL EP ES KR US	
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN	
CO	COP	865,000 ¹¹	COP eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	– (from 10.11.16: eq CHF 200)	– (from 10.11.16: eq CHF 300)	AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, RU	
CR	USD	250	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CL EP ES	
CU	CUC	200	CUC 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR CL EP ES RU	
CY	EUR	191	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP	
DE	EUR	90	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP	
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK 9,480 (from 1.1.16: 9,090)	110 (100)	– (–)	1,430 (1,370)	2,140 (2,050)	EP SE XN	
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	275	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CL EP ES US	
DZ	DZD	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AT EP	
EA	RUB	1,600	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	208 (205)	312 (307)	EP RU	
EC	USD ¹²	–	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CL EP ES	
EE	EUR	120	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP	
EG	USD	142	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EG EP US	
EP	EUR	130	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	96 (92)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP	
ES	EUR	74.99	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP ES	
FI	EUR	135	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP FI SE	
FR	EUR	62	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP	
GB	GBP	75	GBP 867 (from 1.1.16: 899)	10 (10)	– (–)	130 (135)	196 (203)	EP	
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	USD ¹³	100	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP IL RU US	
GH	GHS ¹⁴ 2,500 or 5,000		USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP SE	
GR	EUR	115	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP	
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR CL EP ES US	
HN	USD	200	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES	

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

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee ¹	International filing fee ^{1,2}	Fee per sheet over 30 ^{1,2,3}	E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) ⁴
				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
HR	HRK 200	HRK eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF 11,800	HUF 392,000 (from 1.1.16: 380,800)	HUF 4,400 (4,300)	–	59,000 (57,300)	88,400 (85,900)	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁵ 100	CHF 1,330	15	–	200	300	See footnote 16
	or EUR ¹⁵ 96	or EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	191 (183)	287 (275)	
	(from 1.1.16: 92)			(–)	(183)	(275)	
	or USD ¹⁵ 104	or USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	208 (205)	312 (307)	
(from 1.1.16: 102)			(–)	(205)	(307)		
ID	IDR 1,000,000	IDR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU EP JP KR RU
IE	EUR 76	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	–	–	EP
IL	ILS 554 (from 1.1.16: 551)	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	208 (205)	312 (307)	EP IL US
IN	INR 17,600	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	208 (205)	312 (307)	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
	(filing by natural person: 3,250; filing by small entity: 8,800)			(–)	(205)	(307)	
IR	IRR ¹² –	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 176,100 (from 1.1.16: 172,800)	2,000 (1,900)	–	26,500 (26,000)	39,700 (39,000)	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	–	–	EP
JP	JPY 10,000 ¹⁷	JPY 178,100 (from 1.1.16: 164,200)	2,000 (1,900)	–	–	40,200 (37,000)	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	EP RU
KN	Information not yet available						EP
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	300	AT AU JP ¹⁸ KR
KZ	KZT 10,264.80	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	EP RU
				(–)	(–)	(–)	
LR	USD 45	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹² –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	–	–	EP
LV	EUR 68.87	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP RU
				(–)	(183)	(275)	
LY	LYD ¹² –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 ¹⁹	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ²⁰	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	–	–	EP
				(–)	(–)	(–)	
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,273 (from 1.1.16: 1,219)	14 (14)	–	–	–	EP
				(–)	(–)	(–)	
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	–	–	–	EP

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				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
MX	USD 323.70 ²¹	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	208 (205)	312 (307)	CL EP ES SE SG US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²² 550 (paper filing) ²²	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 10,990 <i>(from 1.1.16: 11,460)</i>	120 (130)	– (–)	1,650 (1,720)	2,480 (2,590)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 2,111 <i>(from 1.1.16: 2,094)</i>	24 (24)	– (–)	317 (315)	476 (472)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ¹² –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PA	USD 200	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	eq USD 16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT BR CL EP ES KR
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	208 (205)	312 (307)	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 20.82	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP
QA	QAR 400	QAR eq USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	eq USD 16 (15)	– (–)	eq USD 208 (205)	eq USD 312 (307)	EG EP US
RO	RON 360	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP RU
RS	RSD 7,300 ²³	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 850	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (205)	– (307)	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	208 (205)	312 (307)	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD ¹² –	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EG EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 12,070 <i>(from 1.1.16: 11,380)</i>	140 (130)	– (–)	1,820 (1,710)	2,720 (2,570)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,953 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,934)</i>	22 (22)	– (–)	294 (291)	441 (436)	AT AU EP JP KR SG
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66 ²⁴	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	191 (183)	287 (275)	EP
SM	EUR 70	EUR 1,273 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,219)</i>	14 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	CL EP ES
SY	USD ¹² –	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS ¹² –	USD 1,384 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,363)</i>	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU

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				Item 4(a) ⁵	Item 4(b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	
TM	USD ¹² –	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
TN	TND ¹² –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁵ 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
US	USD 240 ²⁶ small entity ²⁷ : 120 ²⁶ micro entity ²⁷ : 60 ²⁶	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	104 (102)	208 (205)	– (–)	AU EP IL JP KR RU US
UZ	USD ¹² –	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE SG
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 18,550 (from 1.1.16: 18,540)	210 (210)	– (–)	2,790 (2,790)	4,190 (4,180)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,384 (from 1.1.16: 1,363)	eq USD 16 (15)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU CN EP RU

Table I(b) — Search fees

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ²⁸	EUR 1,864 *(from 1.1.16: –)	CHF* 1,947 CHF 2,034	KRW* 2,504,000 KRW 2,419,000	SGD* 2,790 SGD 2,960	USD* 2,112 USD 2,084	ZAR* 26,610 ZAR 28,360)		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD* 1,622 *(from 1.1.16: –) USD 1,560	CHF* 1,583 ZAR* 19,930 CHF 1,522 ZAR 21,220)	EUR* 1,525 EUR 1,395	KRW* 1,882,000 KRW 1,810,000	NZD* 2,468 NZD 2,397	SGD* 2,290 SGD 2,210		
BR ²⁹	Online: *(from 1.1.16: –) On paper: *(from 1.1.16: –)	BRL 1,685 CHF 422 BRL 2,525 CHF 632	CHF* 473 EUR 386 CHF* 708 EUR 579	EUR* 437 USD 432) EUR* 654 USD 647)	USD* 484 USD* 725			
CA	CAD 1,600 *(from 1.1.16: –)	CHF* 1,183 CHF 1,194	EUR* 1,137 EUR 1,094	USD* 1,284 USD 1,223)				
CL	USD 2,000 *(from 1.1.16: –) In case of filing by an natural person or a legal entity ² : *(from 1.1.16: –) In case of filing by a university ³⁰ : *(from 1.1.16: –)	CHF* 1,922 CHF 1,952 CHF 390 CHF 293	EUR* 1,765 EUR 1,789) EUR 358) EUR 268)	USD 400 CHF* 288 EUR* 265	CHF* 384 EUR* 353			
CN	CNY 2,100 *(from 1.1.16: –)	CHF* 310 CHF 323	EUR* 297 EUR 296	USD* 342 USD 330)				
EG ³¹	EGP 4,000 *(from 1.1.16: –)	CHF* 483 CHF 499	EUR* 480 EUR 457	USD* 525 USD 511)				

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Table I(b) — Search fees [continued]
(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee ¹												
EP ³²	EUR	1,875	CHF*	1,958	DKK*	13,960	GBP*	1,365	HUF*	577,000	ISK*	287,000	
	JPY*	251,600	NOK*	17,070	NZD*	3,068	SEK*	17,040	SGD*	2,980			
	USD*	2,125	ZAR*	26,770									
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	2,046	DKK	13,990	GBP	1,384	HUF	585,800	ISK	266,000	
	JPY	252,600	NOK	17,640	NZD	3,222	SEK	17,500	SGD	2,980	USD	2,097	
ZAR	28,530)												
ES ^{32,33}	EUR	1,875	CHF*	1,958	USD*	2,125							
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	2,046	USD	2,097)							
FI	EUR	1,875	CHF*	1,958	USD*	2,125							
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	2,046	USD	2,097)							
IL	ILS	3,554	CHF*	875	EUR*	809	USD*	909					
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	895	EUR	820	USD	917)					
IN	INR	10,000	CHF*	145	EUR*	142	USD*	150					
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	150	EUR	137	USD	154)					
	In case of filing by an individual:			INR	2,500	CHF*	36	EUR*	36	USD*	37		
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	37	EUR	34	USD	38)					
JP ¹⁷	JPY	70,000	CHF*	523	EUR*	522	KRW*	690,000	SGD*	820	USD*	577	
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	567	EUR	520	KRW	674,000	SGD	825	USD	581)	
KR	For international applications in Korean:												
	KRW	450,000	AUD*	526	CHF*	378	EUR*	335	NZD*	596	SGD*	540	
	USD*	389											
	*(from 1.1.16:		AUD	547	CHF	379	EUR	347	NZD	596	SGD	550	
USD		388)											
For international applications in English:													
KRW	1,300,000	AUD*	1,519	CHF	1,093	EUR*	968	NZD	1,722	SGD*	1,560		
USD**	1,125												
*(from 1.1.16:		AUD	1,580	EUR	1,002	SGD	1,590	USD	1,120)				
RU	For international applications in Russian:												
	RUB	6,750	CHF	102	EUR*	82	HUF*	28,800	USD*	106			
	*(from 1.1.16:		EUR	93	HUF	29,100	USD	104)					
	For international applications in English:												
RUB	28,000	CHF	422	EUR*	341	HUF*	119,600	USD*	440				
*(from 1.1.16:		EUR	387	HUF	120,900	USD	433)						
SE	SEK*	17,040	CHF*	1,958	DKK*	13,960	EUR	1,875	ISK*	287,000	NOK*	17,070	
	USD*	2,125											
	*(from 1.1.16:		SEK	17,500	CHF	2,046	DKK	13,990	ISK	266,000	NOK	17,640	
USD	2,097)												
SG	SGD	2,240	CHF*	1,571	EUR*	1,487	USD*	1,632					
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	1,540	EUR	1,411	USD	1,578)					
US	USD	2,080	CHF*	1,998	EUR*	1,835	NZD*	3,140	ZAR*	29,060			
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	2,030	EUR	1,860	NZD	3,200	ZAR	28,300)			
	For small entity ²⁷ :			USD	1,040	CHF*	999	EUR*	918	NZD*	1,570	ZAR*	14,530
	*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	1,015	EUR	930	NZD	1,600	ZAR	14,150)			
	For micro entity ²⁷ :			USD	520	CHF*	500	EUR*	459	NZD*	790	ZAR*	7,260
*(from 1.1.16:		CHF	508	EUR	465	NZD	800	ZAR	7,080)				
XN	DKK*	13,960	CHF*	1,958	EUR	1,875	ISK*	287,000	NOK*	17,070	SEK*	17,040	
	USD*	2,125											
	*(from 1.1.16:		DKK	13,990	CHF	2,046	ISK	266,000	NOK	17,640	SEK	17,500	
USD	2,097)												

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 34}
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 888 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 928)</i> – for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,243 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 1,299)</i> – for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,776 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 1,855)</i>	CHF 200
EP	CHF 1,958 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 2,046)</i>	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,958 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 2,046)</i>	CHF 200
RU	CHF 178 <i>(285)³⁵</i>	CHF 200
SE	CHF 1,958 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 2,046)</i>	CHF 200
SG	CHF 1,571 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 1,540)</i>	CHF 200
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,958 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 2,046)</i> – for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 560 <i>(from 1.1.16: CHF 590)</i>	CHF 200

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

(amounts on 1 December 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

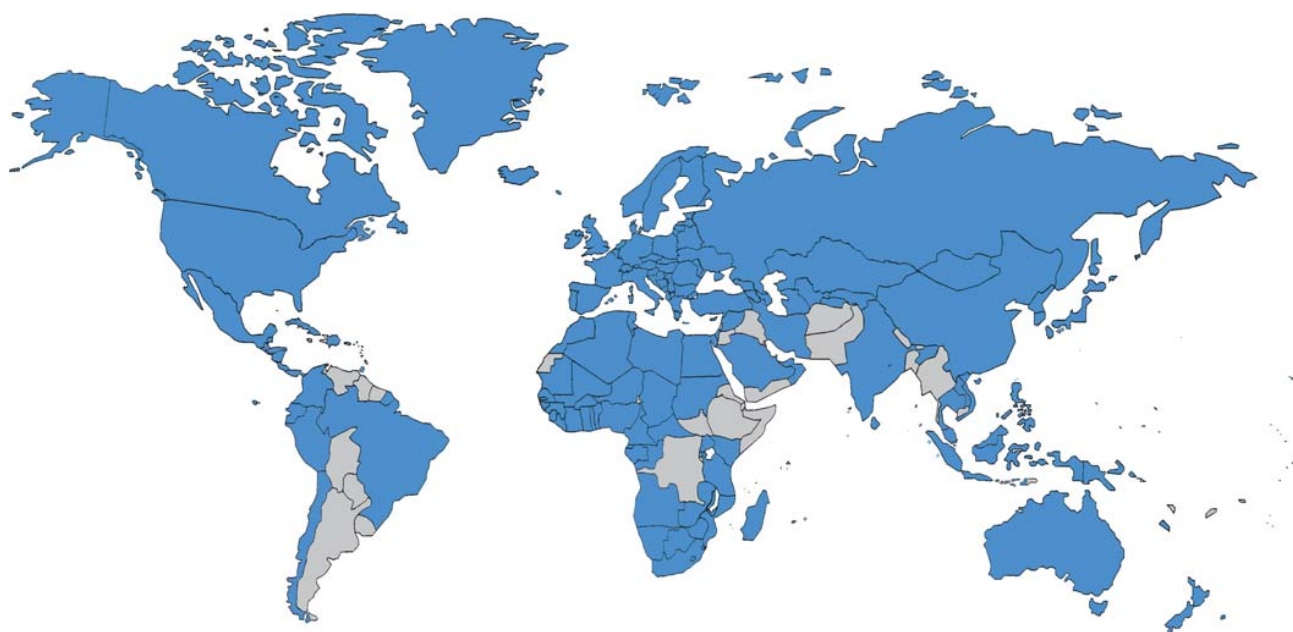
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁶	Handling fee ^{2, 36} (CHF 200)
AT ²⁸	EUR 1,749	EUR 191 <i>(from 1.1.16: 183)</i>
AU	AUD 590 <i>820³⁷</i>	AUD 278 <i>(from 1.1.16: 289)</i>
BR ²⁹	Online: BRL 630 On paper: BRL 945	BRL eq CHF 200
CA	CAD 800	CAD 270 <i>(from 1.1.16: 268)</i>
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400 in case of filing by a university ³⁰ : USD 300	USD 208 <i>(from 1.1.16: 205)</i>
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY eq CHF 200
EG ³¹	EGP 3,000	USD 208 <i>(from 1.1.16: 205)</i>
EP ³²	EUR 1,930	EUR 191 <i>(from 1.1.16: 183)</i>
ES	EUR 589.49 ³³	EUR 191 <i>(from 1.1.16: 183)</i>
FI	EUR 600	EUR 191 <i>(from 1.1.16: 183)</i>
IL	ILS 1,523	ILS 766 <i>(from 1.1.16: 794)</i>
IN	INR 12,000; in case of filing by an individual: INR 3,000	USD 208 <i>(from 1.1.16: 205)</i>
JP	JPY 26,000 ¹⁷	JPY 26,800 <i>(from 1.1.16: 24,700)</i>
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 238,000
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 2,700 ³⁸ 4,050 ³⁹ For international applications in English: RUB 10,500 ³⁸ 15,750 ³⁹	USD 208 <i>(from 1.1.16: 205)</i>
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 1,820 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,710)</i>
SG	SGD 830	SGD 285 <i>(from 1.1.16: 291)</i>
US	USD 600 <i>760⁴⁰</i> For small entity ²⁷ : USD 300 <i>380⁴⁰</i> For micro entity ²⁷ : USD 150 <i>190⁴⁰</i>	USD 208 <i>(from 1.1.16: 205)</i>
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,430 <i>(from 1.1.16: 1,370)</i>

[See over page for footnotes to fee tables]

Footnotes to fee tables:

- 1 Payable to the receiving Office in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 2 This fee is reduced by 90% where the applicant or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant fulfills the criteria indicated on the PCT website at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 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 in electronic form, the request not being in character coded format.
- 6 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request being in character coded format.
- 7 If the international application is filed in electronic form, the request, description, claims and abstract being in character coded format.
- 8 This fee is subject to value added tax (VAT) of 18%.
- 9 This fee is reduced by 60% where the international application is filed by a natural person, a small or medium-sized enterprise, a cooperative, an academic institution, a non-profit-making entity or a public institution. For further details, see Official Resolution of the National Institute of Industrial Property No. 211/09 of 14 May 2009.
- 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 25% if the applicant is a natural person, a small or medium enterprise, a public or private university recognized by the National Ministry or a non-profit entity promoting the development of scientific and technological research.
- 12 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.
- 13 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 14 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.
- 15 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 16 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).
- 17 This fee is reduced by two thirds where the application is filed in Japanese by an individual, a small or medium-sized enterprise that has commenced business or been established less than ten years, or a micro enterprise. For further details, see: http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm
- 18 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 19 This fee is reduced by 50% where the international application is filed by a public university, a small or medium enterprise (in accordance with the criteria of the charter for small or medium enterprises) or a natural person who is a national of and resides in one of the States entitled to a reduction under the PCT (for the list of States see: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>).
- 20 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 21 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 22 Plus MYR 60 for each sheet in excess of 30 for electronic filings, and MYR 70 for each sheet in excess of 30 for paper filings.
- 23 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 24 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 25 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%.
- 26 Plus non-electronic filing fee portion for international applications filed other than by the Office electronic filing system of USD 400, or in the case of filings by small entities or micro entities: USD 200.
- 27 For further details about entitlement to and establishment of "small entity" status and "micro entity" status, see 37 CFR § 1.27 and 1.29 (pages R-41 and R-47), respectively, at: http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf
- 28 The fee is reduced by 75% where the applicant, or if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person and is a national of and resides in a State for which the Austrian Patent Office is an International Searching Authority (in the case of the search fee)/International Preliminary Examining Authority (in the case of the preliminary examination fee).
- 29 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.
- 30 Applicable where the applicant is (a) a Chilean university, or (b) a foreign university headquartered in any of the States which benefit, in accordance with the Schedule of Fees under the PCT Regulations, from the 90% reduction of the international filing fee and authenticated by its legal representative, in a simple declaration signed in the presence of a notary, as constituted as a university in accordance with the law of that State, provided that, if there are several applicants, each must satisfy the criterion set out in either sub-item (a) or (b)). For details of applicants entitled to the 90% reduction, see: <http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees>
- 31 The search fee payable to the Office is reduced by 25% where the applicant, or, if there are two or more applicants, each applicant is a natural person or a legal entity and is a national of and resides in a State which is classified by the World Bank in the group of countries of "low income", "lower middle income" or "upper middle income".
- 32 The search 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>
- 33 Public universities in Spain are exempt from paying this fee.
- 34 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 35 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).
- 36 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 37 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 38 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 39 In all cases where footnote 38 does not apply.
- 40 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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¹ Extension of European patent possible.

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

³ Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 March 2015.

⁴ Validation of European patent possible for international applications filed on or after 1 November 2015.

⁵ Only international applications filed on or after 19 August 2014 will include the designation of Sao Tome and Principe for an ARIPO patent.

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