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## PCT Filings in 2014

In 2014, the use of the PCT continued to grow, with approximately 215,000 PCT applications filed. This represents a 4.5% increase over 2013.

It is important to note that this total, as well as the figures which follow, are provisional, due to the fact that not all PCT applications that were filed with national and regional Offices in 2014 have been received at the International Bureau, and the final figures will only be available later in the year.

The top 10 PCT filing countries in 2014 were the same as in 2013, with the United States of America (with 28.6% of all filings), Japan (19.7%) and China (11.9%) continuing to hold the top three places. Applicants from the member States of the European Patent Convention, when grouped together, filed 27.2% of all international applications. The total for each country in the top 10, followed by that country's percentage share of all filings, were as follows:

1. United States of America	61,492	28.6%
2. Japan	42,459	19.7%
3. China	25,539	11.9%
4. Germany	18,008	8.4%
5. Republic of Korea	13,151	6.1%
6. France	8,319	3.9%
7. United Kingdom	5,282	2.5%
8. Netherlands	4,218	2.0%
9. Switzerland	4,115	1.9%
10. Sweden	3,925	1.8%

Among the top 10 countries, China was the only one to see double-digit growth in PCT filings in 2014, with an increase of 18.7%. The United Kingdom recorded the second fastest growth (+9%), followed by the United States of America (+7.1%).

For information on the number of filings from other countries, as well as a comparison with filings in 2013, see Annex 2 of WIPO Press Release PR/2014/774 at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2015/article\\_0004.html](http://www.wipo.int/pressroom/en/articles/2015/article_0004.html)

Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. (CN) was the top PCT user, with 3,442 PCT applications published in 2014, Qualcomm Incorporated (US) was second with 2,409, followed by ZTE Corporation (CN) with 2,179.

The top ten applicants are listed below, with the number of PCT applications that were published in their names in 2014:

1. Huawei Technologies Co. Ltd (CN)	3,442
2. Qualcomm Incorporated (US)	2,409
3. ZTE Corporation (CN)	2,179
4. Panasonic Corporation (JP)	1,682
5. Mitsubishi Electric Corporation (JP)	1,593
6. Intel Corporation (US)	1,539
7. Telefonaktiebolaget LM Ericsson (publ) (SE)	1,512
8. Microsoft Corporation (US)	1,460
9. Siemens Aktiengesellschaft (DE)	1,399
10. Koninklijke Philips Electronics NV (NL)	1,391

Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd (CN) also saw the largest growth in filings, with 1,332 more applications published than in 2013 (an increase of 63.1%), Tencent Technology (Shenzhen) Company Limited (CN) saw the second largest growth with 727 more (202.5% increase), followed by Microsoft Corporation (US) with 652 more (80.7% increase).

A list of the top 50 PCT applicants (with the most applications published in 2014) has been published in Annex 1 of the press release. Information on filings by educational institutions is also available in the press release (Annex 3).

As far as PCT filings by field of technology are concerned, computer technology, with 17,653 published PCT applications, accounted for the largest share of PCT applications with 8.4% of the total, followed by digital communication (16,165) and electronic machinery, apparatus, energy (15,220). Amongst the top 10 fields, computer technology saw the fastest growth (+19.4%), followed by medical technology (+17.1%) and digital communication (+14.5%). Detailed information regarding the distribution of fields of technology of published applications can be found in the press release (Annex 4).

The publication of the final figures for 2014 filings will be announced in the *PCT Newsletter* later in the year.

## Withdrawal of Notifications of Incompatibility of Certain PCT Rules with National Laws

### JP Japan (PCT Rules 26bis.3, 49ter.1 and 49ter.2)

The Japan Patent Office (JPO), in its capacity as receiving Office (RO/JP) and designated Office (DO/JP) (or elected Office), has notified the International Bureau (IB) of the withdrawal, with effect from 1 April 2015, of the following notifications of incompatibility with its national law:

- the notification under PCT Rule 26bis.3(j) (restoration of right of priority by receiving Office) (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2006, page 2),
- the notification under PCT Rule 49ter.1(g) (effect of restoration of right of priority by receiving Office) (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2006, page 2), and
- the notification under PCT Rule 49ter.2(h) (restoration of right of priority by designated Office) (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2006, page 2).

As a consequence, the following PCT Rules are applied, respectively, by the JPO with effect from 1 April 2015, in respect of international applications filed on or after that date:

- PCT Rule 26bis.3(a) to (i);
- PCT Rule 49ter.1(a) to (d); and
- PCT Rule 49ter.2(a) to (g)

This means that the RO/JP and DO/JP will consider requests for restoration of the right of priority, and, provided that the necessary conditions are met, DO/JP will accept such a decision made by another Office acting as RO, in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 April 2015. Please note that, in practice, PCT Rule 49ter.1(a) to (d) and PCT Rule 49ter.2(a) to (g) will not generally start being applied until about October 2016, which is when international applications which are filed on or after 1 April 2015, and which claim priority of an application filed 12 months earlier, will normally enter into the national phase in Japan (unless the applicant requests early national phase entry under PCT Article 23(2) or 40(2)).

Furthermore, the Office has notified the IB that, in its capacity as RO and DO, it applies the “due care” criterion to requests for restoration of the right of priority, and there will be no fee payable for making such requests.

This information updates the *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (JP), and National Chapter, Summary (JP), as well as the tables of “Restoration of the right of priority” and “PCT Reservations, Declarations, Notifications and Incompatibilities” at, respectively:

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

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res\\_incomp.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/reservations/res_incomp.html)

### Amendments to the PCT Regulations (Entry into Force: 1 July 2015)

It is recalled that the Assembly of the PCT Union adopted, during its meeting which was held in Geneva from 22 to 30 September 2014, amendments to the PCT Regulations which will enter into force on 1 July 2015 (for details, see *PCT Newsletter* No. 10/2014, cover page).

The text of the amendments was reproduced, in English and French, in the *Official Notices (PCT Gazette)* on 12 February 2015 at, respectively:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/official\\_notices/officialnotices.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/official_notices/officialnotices.pdf)

and the consolidated text of the Regulations under the PCT, as in force from 1 July 2015, will be available on the PCT website shortly before the entry into force of the amendments.

Note that the Report of the Assembly (PCT/A/46/6) is now available in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish at:

[http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting\\_id=33287](http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=33287)

## **Electronic Filing and Processing of International Applications**

### **Australian Patent Office: Withdrawal of the notification of incompatibility under Section 703(f) of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT**

Further to the announcement last year that the Australian Patent Office was prepared to accept ePCT Filings with effect from 14 April 2014, the Office has notified the International Bureau that it is now in a position to withdraw its notification of incompatibility under Section 703(f) of the Administrative Instructions (in relation to filing requirements and the basic common standard as to the means of transmittal), with effect from 13 February 2015. This means that the Office no longer has any reservation relating to the standards required for electronic filing.

## **2015 PCT User Survey**

In an effort to assess customer satisfaction in respect of all aspects of the PCT, WIPO is conducting a survey of the user community. The input received will help us to measure whether users' expectations are being met, and to determine which areas of the services provided should be revisited and improved upon. We estimate that the survey will take a maximum of 30 minutes to complete.

Should you be interested in participating in this survey, please send an e-mail with the title: "Participation in the 2015 PCT Survey" to:

[pct.our@wipo.int](mailto:pct.our@wipo.int)

and you will be sent a link to the online survey.

## **United States Patent and Trademark Office: Not Open for Business on 5 March 2015**

Because of bad weather conditions, the United States Patent and Trademark Office was not open to the public for the purposes of the transaction of official business on 5 March 2015.

Consequently, pursuant to PCT Rule 80.5, if the expiration of any period during which any document or fee in connection with an international application was required to reach the Office fell on that day, that period was extended so as to expire on the next working day, which was 6 March 2015.

## **PCT Information Update**

### **BR Brazil (fees)**

The amount of the transmittal fee for international applications filed on paper, payable with effect from 15 October 2014 to the National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil) as receiving Office, has changed to BRL 260.

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

### **GR Greece (national security provisions)**

The Industrial Property Organization (OBI) (Greece) has provided additional details to the International Bureau (IB) concerning restrictions in its national legislation, which are applicable when filing international applications with other Offices.

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

### **IS Iceland (filing of PCT-EASY requests together with PCT-EASY physical media, fees)**

The Icelandic Patent Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that, as from 1 April 2015, it will no longer accept international applications with requests in PCT-EASY format. Consequently, the corresponding reduction under item 4 of the PCT Schedule of Fees will no longer apply with effect from that date.

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

### **IT Italy (institutions with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made)**

On 9 February 2015, the following depository institution acquired the status of International Depository Authority (IDA) under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure, with which deposits of microorganisms and other biological material may be made:

Istituto Zooprofilattico Sperimentale della Lombardia e dell'Emilia Romagna "Bruno Ubertini" (IZSLER)  
Via Bianchi, 9  
25124 Brescia  
Italy

Entity in charge of handling deposits under the Budapest Treaty:

IZSLER Biobank of Veterinary Resource (IZSLER BVR)  
Via Bianchi, 9  
25124 Brescia  
Italy

For further information on this IDA, see:

[http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/guide/pdf/section\\_d.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/treaties/en/registration/budapest/guide/pdf/section_d.pdf)

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

### **JP Japan (restoration of the right of priority)**

For information on the withdrawal by Japan of its notifications of incompatibility with its national law of certain PCT Rules relating to restoration of the right of priority, see “Withdrawal of Notifications of Incompatibility of Certain PCT Rules with National Laws”, above.

### **KR Republic of Korea (telephone and fax numbers; e-mail address)**

The Korean Intellectual Property Office has notified additional telephone and fax numbers, and an additional e-mail address. The numbers and e-mail addresses to be used are now as follows:

Telephone:	(82-42) 481 51 94 (receiving Office (RO)) (82-42) 481 35 79 (International Searching Authority and International Preliminary Examining Authority (ISA and IPEA))
Fax:	(82-42) 472 34 73 (RO) (82-42) 472 71 40 (ISA and IPEA)
E-mail:	kipopct@korea.kr (RO) isa.kipo@korea.kr (ISA and IPEA)

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

### **KZ Kazakhstan (fees)**

The amount of the transmittal fee, payable with effect from 16 January 2015 to the National Institute of Intellectual Property (NIIP) (Kazakhstan) as receiving Office, has changed to KZT 10,264.80.

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

### **NZ New Zealand (e-mail address; fees)**

The e-mail address of the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand has changed to:

epct@iponz.govt.nz

Also, the Office, in its capacity as receiving Office, has notified the IB that there is no longer a fee for the priority document.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annexes B1 and C (NZ))

### **SG Singapore (date of effect of fee change – *corrigendum*)**

The date of effect of the change in the amount of the fee for the priority document, which was published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 02/2015, should have read 14 February 2014 and not 14 February 2015.

## US United States of America (requirements concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material)

The United States Patent and Trademark Office has notified the IB of the following changes in their requirements concerning the deposit of microorganisms and other biological material:

- the name and address of the depository institution no longer need to be indicated at the time of filing;
- in relation to the additional indications which must be given besides those prescribed in PCT Rule 13bis.3(a)(i) to (iii), to the extent feasible, a description of the deposited biological material sufficient to specifically identify it and to permit examination is required;
- when the original deposit is made after the effective filing date of an application for a patent, the applicant must promptly submit a statement from a person in a position to corroborate the fact, stating that the biological material which is deposited is a biological material specifically identified in the application as filed (see 37 CFR 1.804(b)); and
- deposits may also be made for the purposes of patent procedure before the USPTO with any other depository institution recognized to be suitable by the Office (see 37 CFR 1.803).

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

## Search fee (Australian Patent Office, Egyptian Patent Office, Korean Intellectual Property Office, National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil))

As from 1 May 2015, there will be changes in the equivalent amounts payable in the currencies specified below for international searches carried out by the following Offices:

Australian Patent Office .....	KRW, ZAR
Egyptian Patent Office .....	USD
Korean Intellectual Property Office .....	AUD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil).....	USD

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AU, BR, EG, KR))

## New/Updated PCT Resources

### Quality reports

In accordance with the PCT International Search and Preliminary Examination Guidelines, paragraphs 21.29 and 21.30, the International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities make annual reports on the quality management systems which they have implemented for their work as International Authorities. The complete set of reports for 2014, including the report of the Intellectual Property Office of Singapore for the first time, is now available at:

<http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/quality/authorities.html>

## ISA and IPEA Agreements

Updated versions of the Agreements, in English and French, between the International Bureau of WIPO and the following Authorities as International Searching Authorities (ISAs) and International Preliminary Examining Authorities (IPEAs):

IL Israel Patent Office (1 March 2015)

SE Swedish Patent and Registration Office (16 October 2014)

relating to the functioning of those Authorities as ISAs and IPEAs under the PCT, have been published in PDF format at, respectively:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag\\_il.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag_il.pdf)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag\\_il.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag_il.pdf)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag\\_se.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/texts/agreements/ag_se.pdf)

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag\\_se.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/fr/texts/agreements/ag_se.pdf)

## Warning About Requests for Payment of Fees

### New invitation

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 (IB) and are unrelated to the processing of international applications under the PCT, a new invitation has been identified originating from “WPTO – World Patent & Trademark Organization”. To view an example of the invitation, 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.html](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/warning/pct_warning.html)

PCT applicants and agents should note that it is the IB 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 inventors who might also receive such requests. In case of doubt in relation to any such invitation, please do not hesitate to contact the IB at:

Telephone: (+41-22) 338 83 38

Fax: (+41-22) 338 83 39

E-mail: [pct.legal@wipo.int](mailto:pct.legal@wipo.int)



## PATENTSCOPE Search System

### New translation option

WIPO's machine translation tool "Translation Assistant for Patent Titles and Abstracts" (TAPTA) can now be used to translate the result list in PATENTSCOPE, as an alternative to Google Translate. The use of TAPTA, which currently provides 14 language pairs, is free of charge. If you wish to use it, then you need to activate it in the "Options" menu, under the "Translate" tab at:

<https://patentscope.wipo.int/search/en/search.jsf>

Individual translations can also be made by going to:

<https://www3.wipo.int/patentscope/translate/translate.jsf>

For further information on the use of TAPTA, see:

<https://www3.wipo.int/patentscope/translate/wtapta-user-manual-en.pdf>

### New secure access to PATENTSCOPE

Access to the PATENTSCOPE website and all of the associated functionality is now made via the secure http protocol, "https". This ensures a strong encryption of WIPO's patent search and translation services (such as PATENTSCOPE and TAPTA), so that users automatically have a secure connection. With this encryption, search queries and results lists will remain confidential, browsing activity will remain hidden, and the integrity of all user data will be ensured, thus protecting account data, identity data, search data and results from being modified or monitored.

The presence of the https "lock" icon in the address field of the web browser also ensures that users are connected to the genuine PATENTSCOPE website, and not to a fraudulent site. This new feature brings PATENTSCOPE into line with the highest standards of search confidentiality for all users automatically.

## Practical Advice

### Accessing and managing an international application via ePCT private services when that application has not been filed electronically

*Q: I recently filed an international application on paper, and would like to know whether, in the case of paper filings, it is possible to make use of ePCT to access and manage those applications in the same way as it is possible with electronic filings. If so, how do I do this?*

A: It is possible for you to access paper-filed international applications (as well as international applications that were filed using the PCT-EASY mode of the PCT-SAFE software) via ePCT, provided that certain steps are taken.

The first thing that you will need to do in order to use any of the ePCT services is to create a basic WIPO user account. Once you have done this, you will be able to use ePCT **public** services, which enable you to upload documents and correspondence, such as amendments under PCT Article 19, declarations under PCT Rule 4.17 and withdrawals under PCT

Rule 90*bis*, to the International Bureau (IB) or the receiving Office of the IB (RO/IB). To create a WIPO user account, go to the ePCT Portal at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/LoginForms/epct.jsp>

simply click on “create an account” on the bottom of that page, and fill out the short form with your details. For further information on creating a WIPO user account, please see the “Step-by-Step Guide for Document Upload in ePCT” at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/transition\\_\\_to\\_epct\\_for\\_document\\_upload.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/transition__to_epct_for_document_upload.pdf)

However, by further securing your account with a digital certificate, you can then access ePCT **private** services, which allow you to access your unpublished international application (after having confirmed eOwnership of it), and offer many more features, including a large number of actions that can be taken in relation to your application. For information on how you can authenticate your user account with a digital certificate, please refer to the “ePCT User Guide for Applicants and Third Parties”, from page 29 to 34, at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/pct\\_wipo\\_accounts\\_user\\_guide.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/pct_wipo_accounts_user_guide.pdf)

The above information is valid for all international applications, including those which were filed electronically. However, in the case of:

- paper filings,
- PCT-EASY filings,
- applications filed electronically with a non-supported certificate, or
- applications filed electronically using a certificate that does not match a certificate in the WIPO user account of the current user,

before you can confirm eOwnership of your international application, and subsequently access and manage it in ePCT private services, you must take the following extra steps for security reasons:

- 1) wait until Form PCT/IB/301 (Notification of Receipt of Record Copy) has been issued to be sure that the IB has received the record copy and in order to obtain the confirmation code, which can be found on the bottom of the form (where Form PCT/IB/301 is sent to the applicant by e-mail, this code would also appear in text form in the body of that e-mail so that it is easy to copy and paste it, without having to retype it); and
- 2) once you have the confirmation code, generate a request for eOwnership of the international application by going to the eOwnership tab in ePCT private services and entering the international application number, the international filing date and the confirmation code. Since the international application was not filed electronically using a valid digital certificate, you will see the message “ePCT cannot detect and validate any digital certificate used to file this international application. Please submit an eOwnership request to the International Bureau”, and you should click on “yes” to request eOwnership from the IB.

Note that the details of the person making the eOwnership request should match the details of one of the following: the applicant, the common representative, the agent or the person indicated in the address for correspondence of the international application. Furthermore,

certain other questions will be asked regarding the international application, as an additional security check. Provided that your request is approved by the IB, eOwnership will be granted and you will then be able to access the international application directly in ePCT.

If such a request is received from a person other than one of the persons mentioned above (for example, a paralegal in a law firm who was not indicated in Form PCT/RO/101), the eOwnership request may, for security and confidentiality reasons, be refused by the IB, unless that person's name appears on an appropriate document on file, for example, on a receipt of electronic submission. An automated e-mail is sent to the person making the request informing him/her that the IB could not match him/her to any details in the international application, and that a new confirmation code in order to obtain eOwnership has been sent to the address for service (either the agent, common representative or address for correspondence). In parallel, a notification (Form PCT/IB/345) containing a new confirmation code will be sent by the IB to the address for service on record, giving the details of the person who made the request and inviting that person to pass the confirmation code to the person making the request if they deem this appropriate.

Please note that once an international application has been published, the code on Form PCT/IB/301 is no longer valid as a confirmation code in ePCT, as that form is made available on PATENTSCOPE at the time of publication. The confirmation code is also rendered invalid if a change under PCT Rule 92*bis* has been submitted since filing, since Form PCT/IB/301 might be in the possession of someone who was removed from the record as a result of that change. In such cases, the online web form will prompt you to request a new confirmation code from the IB, which will then be sent to the address for service for the application.

For any international applications that you may be filing in the future, taking eOwnership of it would be easier if you file your application using ePCT-Filing, since eOwnership rights are automatically set up at the time of creating the new draft application and it is even possible to assign access rights in ePCT to other associates before the application is actually filed. Moreover, ePCT-Filing provides validation checks that can help you to correct any potential errors before you actually submit the application, and fee reductions are applicable when filing electronically. If your usual receiving Office does not accept ePCT-Filings, you can file with the RO/IB as it accepts international applications from residents and/or nationals of any PCT Contracting State.

For full details regarding the setting up of WIPO accounts, assigning and managing access rights in ePCT, and an overview of the features and functionalities of ePCT, please refer to the "ePCT User Guide for Applicants and Third Parties" at:

[http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/pct\\_wipo\\_accounts\\_user\\_guide.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/pct_wipo_accounts_user_guide.pdf)

<b>PCT Seminar Calendar</b>			
(http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf)			
(situation on 19 March 2015)			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>25 March 2015 Washington, D.C. (US)</b> <i>[previously scheduled to take place in Northern Virginia]</i>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other 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
<b>12–14 April 2015 Orlando, FL (US)</b>	English	Comprehensive PCT course within the framework of the Spring 2015 Advanced Courses Program WIPO speakers: Ms. Bidwell and Mr. Reed	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: http://www.patentresources.com
<b>13–15 April 2015 Beersheba and Haifa (IL)</b>	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Bryan Other WIPO speakers: Mr. Takagi, Ms. Roenning and Mr. Leimberg	Israel Patent Office (Ms. Dikla Arinos) Tel: (972-2) 565 17 59 Fax: (972-2) 646 25 55 E-mail: DiklaAr@justice.gov.il
<b>16–17 April 2015 London (GB)</b>	English	Basic PCT Formalities Seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and Ms. Fourné-Godbersen	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
<b>21 April 2015 Turin (IT)</b>	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the Roving Seminars on WIPO Services and Initiatives WIPO speaker: Mr. Matthes Other WIPO speakers: Mr. Mazenc, Ms. Valdimarsdottir and Ms. Toso	Italian Patent and Trademark Office (Ms. Simona Marzetti) Tel: (39-06) 47 05 58 00 Fax: (39-06) 47 05 56 35 E-mail: simona.marzetti@mise.gov.it
<b>24-25 April 2015 Concord, NH (US)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	University of New Hampshire School of Law (Ms. Mary O'Malley) E-mail: Mary.OMalley@law.unh.edu Internet: http://law.unh.edu/pct
<b>5–6 May 2015 Chicago (US)</b>	English	PCT basic seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. 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
<b>13 May 2015 Osaka (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) Tel: (81-3) 35 19 23 60 Fax: (81-3) 35 81 12 05
<b>15 May 2015 Tokyo (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Osaka, above)
<b>15–16 May 2015 Minneapolis, MN (US)</b>	English	PCT presentation in the framework of the UIA Biotechnology Law seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	UIA (International Association of Lawyers) Tel: (33-1) 44 88 55 66 Fax: (33-1) 44 88 55 77 E-mail: uiacentre@uianet.org
<b>18 May 2015 Nagoya (JP)</b>	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Osaka, above)

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<b>PCT Seminar Calendar [continued]</b>			
<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>20–21 May 2015 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Mr. Henninger	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
<b>28 May 2015 Alexandria, VA (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the “Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success” course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: <a href="http://www.patentresources.com">http://www.patentresources.com</a>
<b>4–5 June 2015 Stockholm (SE)</b>	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Weiss	Trona Patentrådgivning (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: <a href="http://www.ipakademin.se">www.ipakademin.se</a>
<b>9 June 2015 Brussels (BE)</b> <i>(originally indicated as 16 June 2015) (note that only a limited number of places are available)</i>	French	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété industrielle (CEIPI), International Section (Mr. Thierry Debled) E-mail: <a href="mailto:thierry.debled@ceipi.edu">thierry.debled@ceipi.edu</a>
<b>10 June 2015 Dallas, TX (US)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Washington, above)
<b>4 August 2015 Minneapolis, MN (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the “Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success” course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (see Orlando, above)
<b>9 September 2015 New York, NY (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the “Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success” course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (see Orlando, above)
<b>5 October 2015 Zurich (CH)</b>	German	Seminar on the latest developments concerning the PCT (CEIPI Course) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Mr. Hansjörg Kley) Tel: (41-52) 226 00 00 Fax: (41-52) 226 00 09 E-mail: <a href="mailto:hansjoerg@kley.ch">hansjoerg@kley.ch</a>
<b>14–15 October 2015 Munich (DE)</b>	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Happe	Forum Institut für Management GmbH (see Munich, above)
<b>30 October 2015 London (GB)</b>	English	PCT presentation within the framework of the 14th Annual Conference for Senior Patent Administrators (29-30 October 2015) WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Management Forum Ltd Tel: (44-1483) 73 00 71 Fax: (44-1483) 73 00 08 E-mail: <a href="mailto:josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk">josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk</a>
<b>4–5 November 2015 Munich (DE)</b>	German	International Patent Law Conference: PCT Update WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
<b>10 November 2015 San Diego, CA (US)</b>	English	PCT lecture within the framework of the “Patent Administration: A Foundation for Success” course WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell	Patent Resources Group, Inc. (Ms. Theresa Woods) Tel: (1-703) 682 48 60 Fax: (1-703) 892 45 10 E-mail: twoods@patentresources.com Internet: <a href="http://www.patentresources.com">http://www.patentresources.com</a>

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<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of seminar</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>24 November 2015 Basel (CH)</b>	English	PCT seminar within the framework of the basic CEIPI course WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle	Centre d'études internationales de la propriété intellectuelle (CEIPI) (Ms. Sarah Brunner) Tel: (41) 61 324 84 22 E-mail: sarah.brunner@novartis.com
<b>2-3 December 2015 Paris (FR)</b>	French	Basic PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Ms. Bonvallet and other speaker, to be announced	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
<b>3-4 December 2015 London (GB)</b>	English	Advanced PCT Formalities (including practical presentations on PCT eServices) WIPO speaker: 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
<b>8 December 2015 Paris (FR)</b>	French	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bonvallet	Institut national de la propriété industrielle (INPI) (see Paris, above)

**PCT Webinars**

<b>Date and time</b>	<b>Language of webinar</b>	<b>Nature of webinar; WIPO speakers</b>	<b>Registration</b>
<b>24 March 2015</b> 17:30 to 18:30, Central European time	English	PATENTSCOPE search system: The result list and translation tools WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5078114607741901836">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5078114607741901836</a>
<b>26 March 2015</b> 8:30 to 9:30, Central European time	English	PATENTSCOPE search system: The result list and translation tools WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5078114607741901836">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/5078114607741901836</a>
<b>28 April 2015</b> 17:30 to 18:30, Central European time	English	PATENTSCOPE search system: A live demonstration of CLIR (Cross-Lingual Information Retrieval) WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682</a>
<b>30 April 2015</b> 8:30 to 9:30, Central European time	English	PATENTSCOPE search system: A live demonstration of CLIR (Cross-Lingual Information Retrieval) WIPO speaker: Ms. Ammann	<a href="https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682">https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682</a>

**PCT Events Without WIPO speakers**

<b>Dates and location</b>	<b>Language of event</b>	<b>Nature of seminar; Speakers</b>	<b>Organizer and contact numbers</b>
<b>24 March 2015 Washington, D.C. (US)</b> <i>[previously scheduled to take place in Northern Virginia]</i>	English	PCT Boot Camp: Learn the Basics Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Irvine, above)
<b>9 June 2015 Dallas, TX (US)</b>	English	PCT Boot Camp: Learn the Basics Speaker: Mr. Smith (PCT Learning Center)	PCT Learning Center (see Irvine, above)

## PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 March 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), (c) and (d) 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) 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 16. (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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BYR	Belarusian rouble	HUF	Hungarian forint	MXN	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
ISA	International Searching Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
RO	receiving Office	CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
		CHF	Swiss franc	INR	Indian rupee	NZD	New Zealand dollar	VND	Vietnamese dong
		CLP	Chilean peso	IRR	Iranian Rial	PEN	Nuevo sol	XAF	CFA franc BEAC
		CNY	Yuan renminbi	ISK	Icelandic krona	PGK	Kina	ZAR	South African rand
		COP	Colombian peso	JPY	Japanese yen	PHP	Philippine peso	ZWD	Zimbabwe dollar
		CUC	Cuban convertible peso	KES	Kenyan shilling	PLN	Polish zloty		
		CZK	Czech koruna	KGS	Kyrgyz som	RON	New leu		
ALL	Albanian lek	DKK	Danish krone	KPW	Won	RSD	Serbian dinar		
AMD	Armenian dram	DZD	Algerian dinar	KRW	Won	RUB	Russian rouble		
AUD	Australian dollar	EGP	Egyptian pound	KZT	Kazakh tenge	SDG	Sudanese pound		
AZN	Azerbaijani manat	EUR	Euro	LSL	Lesotho loti	SEK	Swedish krona		
BAM	Convertible mark	GBP	Pound sterling	LYD	Libyan dinar	SGD	Singapore dollar		
BGN	Bulgarian lev	GHS	Ghanaian cedi	MAD	Moroccan dirham	THB	Baht		
BHD	Bahraini dinar	GTQ	Quetzal	MKD	Macedonian denar	TJS	Tajik somoni		
BND	Brunei dollar								

**Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

RO	Transmittal fee <sup>1</sup>		International filing fee <sup>1, 2</sup> (CHF 1,330)		Fee per sheet over 30 <sup>1, 2, 3</sup> (CHF 15)		E-filing reductions according to Schedule of Fees:			Competent ISA(s) <sup>4</sup>
							Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>5</sup> (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup> (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup> (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available									CA
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	EP RU
AP	USD	50	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	AT EP SE
	(or eq in local currency)									
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,097	12	–	165	247	–	EP
			(from 1.4.15:	1,273)	(14)	(–)	(191)	(287)		
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,582	18	–	238	357	–	AU KR
			(from 1.4.15:	1,848)	(21)	(–)	(278)	(417)		
AZ	AZN	30 <sup>9</sup>	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,097	12	82	–	–	–	EP
			(from 1.4.15:	1,273)	(14)	(96)	(–)	(–)		
BE	EUR	120	EUR	1,097	12	82	–	–	–	EP
			(from 1.4.15:	1,273)	(14)	(96)	(–)	(–)		
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP RU
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	–	EP
BR	BRL <sup>10</sup>	online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	200	–	–	AT BR EP SE US
BW	USD	32	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	EP
BY	BYR eq USD	70	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	EP RU
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,544	17	116	232	348	–	CA
			(from 1.4.15:	1,799)	(20)	(135)	(270)	(406)		
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100	–	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD <sup>11</sup>	130	CLP eq USD <sup>11</sup>	1,384	eq USD <sup>11</sup> 16	eq USD <sup>11</sup> 104	208	312	–	CL 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

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

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							Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>				
CO	COP	865,000 <sup>12</sup>	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, RU		
CR	USD	250	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	CL EP ES		
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,384		16		104	–	–	AT BR CL EP ES RU		
CY	EUR	163	EUR	1,097		12		–	–	–	EP		
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,097		12		82	–	–	EP		
			(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(–)	(–)	(–)					
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,097		12		82	165	247	EP		
DK	DKK	1,500	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
			DKK	8,160	90	610	1,230	1,840	EP SE XN				
	(from 1.4.15: 9,480)	(110)	(710)	(1,430)	(2,140)								
DM	Information not yet available												
DO	USD	275	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	EP ES US		
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330		15		100	–	–	AT EP		
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,384		16		104	208	312	EP RU		
EC	USD <sup>13</sup>	–	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	CL EP ES		
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,097		12		82	–	–	EP		
			(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(–)	(–)						
EG	USD	142	USD	1,384		16		–	–	–	AT EG EP US		
EP	EUR	130	EUR	1,097		12		82	165	247	EP		
			(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
ES	EUR	74.99	EUR	1,097		12		82	165	247	EP ES		
FI	EUR	135	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
			EUR	1,097	12	–	165	247	EP FI SE				
FR	EUR	60	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
			EUR	1,097	12	82	165	247	EP				
GB	GBP	75	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
			GBP	862	10	–	130	194	EP				
	(from 1.4.15: 948)	(11)	(–)	(142)	(214)								
GD	Information not yet available												
GE	USD <sup>14</sup>	100	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	AT EP IL RU US		
GH	GHS <sup>15</sup>	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,384		16		–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE		
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,097		12		82	–	–	EP		
			(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(–)	(–)						
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	AT BR EP ES US		
HN	USD	200	USD	1,384		16		104	–	–	EP ES		
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	eq CHF	200	eq CHF	300	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	337,500	HUF	3,800	HUF	25,400	–	–	–	EP RU	
			(from 1.4.15: 392,000)	(4,400)	(29,500)	(–)	(–)						
IB	CHF <sup>16</sup> or EUR <sup>16</sup> (from 1.4.15: 96) or USD <sup>16</sup>	100	CHF	1,330		15		100	200	300	See footnote 17		
			or EUR	1,097		12		82	165	247			
			(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(96)	(191)	(287)						
			or USD	1,384	16	104	208	312					
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	eq CHF	100	–	–	AU EP JP KR RU		
IE	EUR	76	EUR	1,097		12		–	–	–	EP		
	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(–)	(–)	(–)								
IL	ILS	554	USD	1,384		16		104	208	312	EP IL US		
IN	INR	17,600	USD	1,384		16		104	208	312	AT AU CN EP IN SE US		
			(filing by natural person: 3,250; filing by small entity: 8,800)										
IR	IRR <sup>13</sup>	–	IRR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	–	–	–	–	EP IN RU (from 1.3.15: CN)		
IS	ISK	15,000	ISK	167,800		1,900		12,600	25,200	37,800	EP SE XN		
IT	EUR	30.99	(from 1.4.15: 190,800)	(2,200)	(–)	(28,700)	(43,000)						
			EUR	1,097	12	–	–	–	EP				
	(from 1.4.15: 1,273)	(14)	(–)	(–)	(–)								

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				Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
JP	JPY 10,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 164,300	1,900	12,400	–	37,100	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
KN	Information not yet available						EP
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	300	AT AU JP <sup>19</sup> KR
KZ	KZT 10,264.80 <sup>20</sup>	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,384	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL <sup>13</sup> –	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	(–)EP
LV	EUR 68.87	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP RU
LY	LYD <sup>13</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 <sup>21</sup>	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 <sup>22</sup>	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	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 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP
MX	USD 323.70 <sup>23</sup>	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	CL EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) <sup>24</sup> 550 (paper filing) <sup>24</sup>	MYR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	AU EP JP KR
NI	USD 200	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	– (–)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 10,020 (from 1.4.15: 10,990)	110 (120)	– (–)	1,510 (1,650)	2,260 (2,480)	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 1,770 (from 1.4.15: 1,945)	20 (22)	133 (146)	266 (293)	399 (439)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF <sup>13</sup> –	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT EP RU SE
PA	USD 200	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,384	eq USD 16	eq USD 104	–	–	AT EP ES KR US (from 8.1.15: BR and CL)
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	AU
PH	PHP 3,500	USD 1,384	16	104	208	312	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 20.90	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP
QA	Information not yet available						
RO	RON 360	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP RU

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				Items 4(a) <sup>5</sup> and (b) <sup>6</sup>	Item 4(c) <sup>7</sup>	Item 4(d) <sup>8</sup>	
RS	RSD 7,140 <sup>25</sup>	RSD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	EP
RU	RUB 850	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available						
SA	USD 100	USD 1,384	16	104	208	312	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD <sup>13</sup> –	USD 1,384	16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG 50	SDG eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK 1,200	SEK 9,970 (from 1.4.15: 12,070)	110 (140)	750 (910)	1,500 (1,820)	2,250 (2,720)	EP SE XN
SG	SGD 150	SGD 1,767 (from 1.4.15: 1,953)	20 (22)	133 (147)	266 (294)	399 (441)	AT AU EP JP KR
SI	EUR 91	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SK	EUR 66 <sup>26</sup>	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	82 (96)	165 (191)	247 (287)	EP
SM	EUR 70	EUR 1,097 (from 1.4.15: 1,273)	12 (14)	– (–)	– (–)	– (–)	EP
SV	USD 200	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	CL EP ES
SY	USD <sup>13</sup> –	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB 3,000	THB eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS <sup>13</sup> –	USD 1,384	16	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD <sup>13</sup> –	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND <sup>13</sup> –	CHF 1,330	15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None	CHF 1,330	15	100	–	–	EP
TT	TTD 750	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD <sup>27</sup> 1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR) 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
US	USD 240 <sup>28</sup> small entity <sup>29</sup> : 120 <sup>28</sup> micro entity <sup>29</sup> : 60 <sup>28</sup>	USD 1,384	16	104	208	–	AU EP IL KR RU US
UZ	USD <sup>13</sup> –	USD 1,384	16	104	–	–	EP RU
VN	VND eq USD 150	VND eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	–	–	–	AT AU EP JP KR RU SE
ZA	ZAR 500	ZAR 15,580 (from 1.4.15: 16,720)	180 (190)	1,170 (1,260)	– (–)	– (–)	AT AU EP US
ZM	USD 50	USD 1,384	16	–	–	–	AT SE
ZW	ZWD 6,000	ZWD eq USD 1,384	eq USD 16	eq USD 104	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

**Table I(b) — Search fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>							
AT <sup>30</sup>	EUR 1,864 *(from 1.4.15: **(from 1.5.15:	CHF* 2,260 CHF 1,947 KRW 1,882,000	KRW** 2,510,000 KRW 2,316,000 ZAR 19,930)	SGD 3,000 USD 2,112	USD* 2,353 ZAR 24,470)	ZAR** 26,470		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD* 1,925 *(from 1.4.15: **(from 1.5.15:	CHF* 1,849 ZAR** 21,660 CHF 1,583 KRW 1,882,000	EUR 1,525 NZD 2,311 ZAR 19,930)	KRW** 2,053,000 USD 1,789)	NZD* 2,461	SGD 2,460		
BR <sup>31</sup>	Online: *(from 1.4.15: **(from 1.5.15:	BRL 1,685 CHF 560 USD 540)	CHF* 667	EUR 550	USD** 632			
	On paper: *(from 1.4.15: **(from 1.5.15:	BRL 2,525 CHF 840 USD 809)	CHF* 1,000	EUR 824	USD** 948			
CA	CAD 1,600 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF* 1,379 CHF 1,183	EUR 1,137 USD 1,284)	USD* 1,435				
CL	USD 2,000 *(from 1.4.15: In case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : *(from 1.4.15: In case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : *(from 1.4.15:	CHF 1,922 EUR 1,765) EUR 353) EUR 265)	EUR* 1,585	USD 400	CHF 384	EUR* 317		
				USD 300	CHF 288	EUR* 238		
CN	CNY 2,100 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF* 329 CHF 310	EUR* 271 EUR 297)	USD 342				
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 4,000 *(from 1.4.15: **(from 1.5.15:	CHF* 538 CHF 483 USD 525)	EUR 443	USD** 559				
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,875 JPY* 278,500 USD* 2,366 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF* 2,274 NOK 17,000 ZAR* 26,630 CHF 1,958	DKK 13,960 NZD 3,026 JPY 251,600	GBP 1,474 SEK 17,040 USD 2,125	HUF 577,000 SGD 3,020 ZAR 24,620)	ISK 287,000		
ES <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,875 (from 1.4.15:	CHF 2,274 CHF 1,958	USD 2,366 USD 2,125)					
FI	EUR 1,875 (from 1.4.15:	CHF 2,274 CHF 1,958	USD 2,366 USD 2,125)					
IL	ILS 3,554 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF 875 EUR 809)	EUR* 728	USD 909				
IN	INR 10,000 *(from 1.4.15: In case of filing by an individual: *(from 1.4.15:	CHF 157 EUR 142) EUR 36)	EUR* 129	USD 163				
			INR 2,500	CHF 39	EUR 32	USD 41		
JP <sup>18</sup>	JPY 70,000 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF 567 EUR 522	EUR* 471 KRW 638,000)	KRW* 685,000	SGD 766	USD 577		
KR	For international applications in Korean: KRW 450,000 USD 422 *(from 1.5.15: **(from 1.4.15:	AUD* 482 AUD 526) CHF 378)	CHF** 405 EUR 362)	EUR** 334	NZD 539	SGD 540		
	For international applications in English: KRW 1,300,000 USD 1,219 *(from 1.5.15: **(from 1.4.15:	AUD* 1,393 AUD 1,519) CHF 1,093)	CHF** 1,171 EUR 1,046)	EUR** 965	NZD 1,558	SGD 1,560		
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 6,750 (from 1.4.15:	CHF 138 CHF 95)	EUR 115 EUR 91	HUF 35,200 HUF 27,900	USD 144 USD 103)			
	For international applications in English: RUB 28,000 (from 1.4.15:	CHF 573 CHF 393)	EUR 477 EUR 376	HUF 146,100 HUF 115,800	USD 598 USD 426)			
SE	SEK 17,040 USD* 2,366 *(from 1.4.15:	CHF* 2,274 CHF 1,958	DKK 13,960 USD 2,125)	EUR 1,875	ISK 287,000	NOK 17,000		

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

ISA	Search fee <sup>1</sup>											
US	USD	2,080	CHF	1,998	EUR*	1,648	NZD	2,660	ZAR	23,410		
	*(from 1.4.15:		EUR	1,835)								
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	1,040	CHF	999	EUR*	824	NZD	1,330	ZAR	11,700	
	*(from 1.4.15:		EUR	918)								
XN	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :	USD	520	CHF	500	EUR*	412	NZD	660	ZAR	5,850	
	*(from 1.4.15:		EUR	459)								
	DKK	13,960	CHF*	2,274	EUR	1,875	ISK	287,000	NOK	17,000	SEK	17,040
	USD*	2,366	*(from 1.4.15:		CHF	1,958	USD	2,125)				

**Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee <sup>2, 35</sup>
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: (from 1.4.15:	CHF 1,031 CHF 888)
	– for a search of the European and North American documentation: (from 1.4.15:	CHF 1,443 CHF 1,243)
	– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: (from 1.4.15:	CHF 2,062 CHF 1,776)
	EP	CHF 2,274 (from 1.4.15: CHF 1,958)
FI	CHF 2,274 (from 1.4.15: CHF 1,958)	CHF 200
RU	CHF 242 (386) <sup>36</sup> (from 1.4.15: 166 (265) <sup>36</sup> )	CHF 200
SE	CHF 2,274 (from 1.4.15: CHF 1,958)	CHF 200
XN	– for a full search: (from 1.4.15:	CHF 2,274 CHF 1,958)
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: (from 1.4.15:	CHF 650 CHF 560)

**Table II — Preliminary examination fees**  
(amounts on 1 March 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

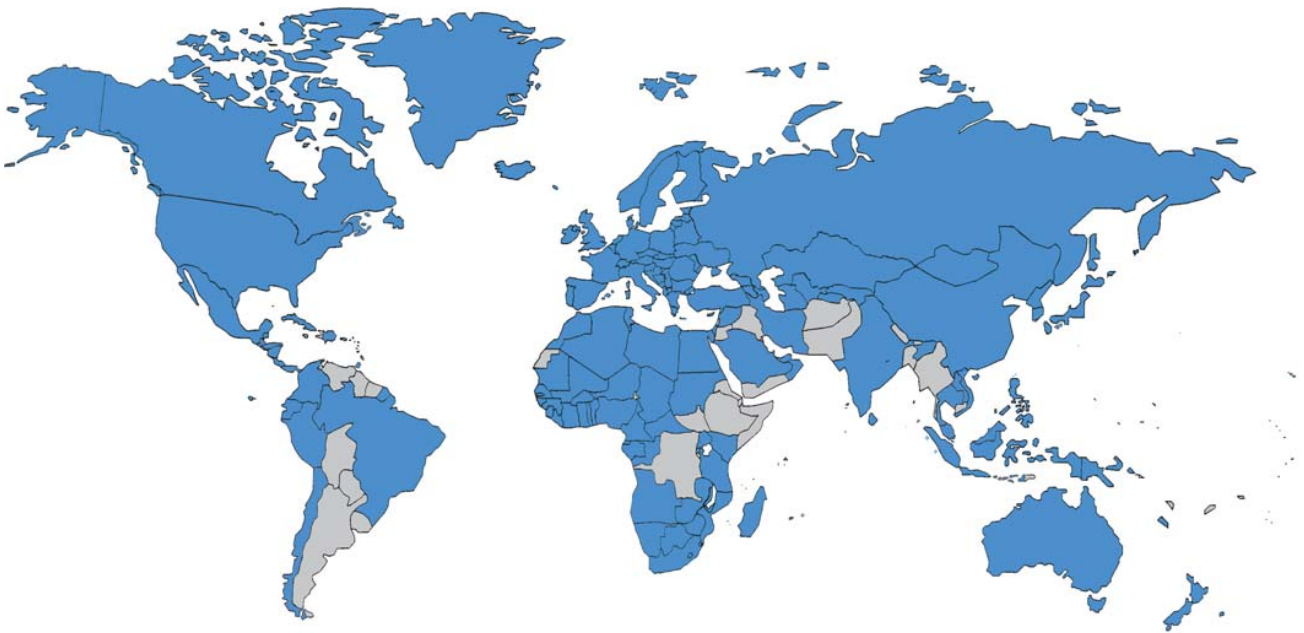
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee <sup>37</sup>	Handling fee <sup>2, 37</sup> (CHF 200)	
AT <sup>30</sup>	EUR 1,749	EUR 165 (from 1.4.15: 191)	
AU	AUD 590 820 <sup>38</sup>	AUD 238 (from 1.4.15: 278)	
BR <sup>31</sup>	Online: BRL 630 On paper: BRL 945	BRL eq CHF 200	
CA	CAD 800	CAD 232 (from 1.4.15: 270)	
CL	USD 1,500 in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity <sup>2</sup> : USD 400 in case of filing by a university <sup>32</sup> : USD 300	USD 208	
CN	CNY 1,500	CNY eq CHF 200	
EG <sup>33</sup>	EGP 3,000	USD 208	
EP <sup>34</sup>	EUR 1,930	EUR 165 (from 1.4.15: 191)	
ES	EUR 589.49	EUR 165 (from 1.4.15: 191)	
FI	EUR 600	EUR 165 (from 1.4.15: 191)	
IL	ILS 1,523	ILS 766	
IN	INR 12,000; in case of filing by an individual: INR 3,000	USD 208	
JP	JPY 26,000 <sup>18</sup>	JPY 24,700	
KR	KRW 450,000	KRW 222,000 (from 1.4.15: 238,000)	
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 2,700 <sup>39</sup> 4,050 <sup>40</sup> For international applications in English: RUB 10,500 <sup>39</sup> 15,750 <sup>40</sup>	USD 208	
SE	SEK 5,000	SEK 1,500 (from 1.4.15: 1,820)	
US	USD 600 760 <sup>41</sup>	USD 208	
	For small entity <sup>29</sup> :		USD 300 380 <sup>41</sup>
	For micro entity <sup>29</sup> :		USD 150 190 <sup>41</sup>
XN	DKK 5,000	DKK 1,230 (from 1.4.15: 1,430)	

[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/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://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](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 This fee is subject to value added tax (VAT) of 18%.
- 10 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.
- 11 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.
- 12 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.
- 13 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.
- 14 This fee is reduced by 70% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 15 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.
- 16 This fee is not payable in respect of international applications filed by applicants fulfilling the conditions indicated on the PCT website at: [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 17 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).
- 18 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](http://www.jpo.go.jp/tetuzuki/ryoukin/chusho_keigen.htm)
- 19 The Japan Patent Office is competent only for international applications in Japanese.
- 20 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.
- 21 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 [www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)).
- 22 Plus EUR 1.50 for the preparation of additional copies, for each page and each copy.
- 23 This fee is subject to a national tax of 16%.
- 24 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.
- 25 This fee is reduced by 50% where the applicant is a natural person.
- 26 This fee is reduced by 50% if the international application is filed in fully-electronic form.
- 27 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%.
- 28 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.
- 29 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](http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/pac/mpep/consolidated_rules.pdf)
- 30 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).
- 31 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.
- 32 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/fee\\_reduction.pdf](http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/fees/fee_reduction.pdf)
- 33 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".
- 34 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>
- 35 Payable to the International Bureau in Swiss francs.
- 36 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).
- 37 Payable to the International Preliminary Examining Authority in the currency or one of the currencies prescribed by it.
- 38 Payable when the international search report was not issued by the Australian Patent Office.
- 39 Payable when the international search report was established by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation).
- 40 In all cases where footnote 39 does not apply.
- 41 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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	IL Israel		SG Singapore	

<sup>1</sup> Extension of European patent possible.

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

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

<sup>4</sup> 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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