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Reminder: Decommissioning of the PCT-EASY Functionality of PCT-SAFE

As announced in *PCT Newsletter* No. 04/2014, as of 1 July 2015 it will no longer be possible to file international applications using the PCT-EASY mode of the PCT-SAFE software. Any international application filed with the request form in PCT-EASY format (on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract) on or after that date will be treated as a paper filing, and the fee reduction under Item 4(a) of the PCT Schedule of Fees will not be applicable.

PCT-EASY filings have been possible since 1998, and were a precursor to the current fully electronic filing systems available with ePCT-Filing and PCT-SAFE. In 2003, PCT-EASY filings made up approximately 45% of all PCT filings, but by 2014, they made up only 2.3% of all filings, compared to 91.3% which were filed in fully electronic format.

Please note that, following the decommissioning of the PCT-EASY mode, the fee reductions currently listed under Items 4(b), 4(c) and 4(d) of the PCT Schedule of Fees will continue to be applicable (and will be renumbered accordingly). The decommissioning will have no impact on those applicants who file fully electronically using PCT-SAFE; furthermore, as far as applicants who usually file with the United States Patent and Trademark Office as receiving Office are concerned, the special EFS-Web functionality will remain in the PCT-SAFE software, and filers will continue to be able to prepare and upload the "PCT-EASY .zip" file to the EFS-Web system.

We do, however, encourage applicants to move to ePCT-Filing at their convenience. ePCT-Filing is now available for online filing with the following receiving Offices:

- IB International Bureau
- AT Austrian Patent Office
- AU Australian Patent Office
- BR National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil)
- CA Canadian Intellectual Property Office
- CL National Institute of Industrial Property (Chile)
- EA Eurasian Patent Office
- EP European Patent Office
- FI Finnish Patent and Registration Office
- IN Indian Patent Office

- LV Latvian Patent Office
- MY Intellectual Property Corporation of Malaysia
- NZ Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand
- SA Saudi Patent Office
- SE Swedish Patent and Registration Office
- SG Intellectual Property Office of Singapore

More Offices are expected to start accepting ePCT filings very soon, but in any case, applicants from any PCT Contracting State may file PCT applications using ePCT with the IB as receiving Office.

It is recalled that, as ePCT-Filing is an integral part of ePCT private services requiring a WIPO user account authenticated with a digital certificate, applicants who would like to use ePCT-Filing, but do not yet have a WIPO user account, should obtain an account using the ePCT Portal at:

<https://pct.wipo.int/ePCT>

and follow the links to create an account and obtain a WIPO digital certificate. Note that it is possible to carry out demo filings by clicking on the link “Try ePCT in DEMO mode” in the list of shortcuts on the ePCT Portal.

Further information on ePCT-Filing is available in the “Guidelines for filing international applications using the ePCT system” at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/epct_filing_guidelines.pdf

Please see below for information on the new release of the ePCT system.

ePCT Update

Release of new version of ePCT – multilingual user interface now in 10 languages

After an initial pilot phase that was limited to English, the ePCT user interface is now available, as of 16 April 2015, in the other nine languages of international publication under the PCT: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. This will contribute significantly to increased use of the ePCT system in countries where a language other than English predominates. As a result of this multilingual deployment, ePCT is no longer considered a “Pilot” system.

This major release also contains a number of other new features, including the possibility to: navigate from within ePCT directly to other WIPO online services that also require login, without having to enter your login credentials again; select multiple applications (whether already filed or not) on the ePCT-Filing screen and manage access rights for all the selected applications in one step; and download a preview of an “Action” in draft form for review prior to submission.

For further information about the new features of this latest release, see:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/epct_whats_new.pdf

Information about the new features of ePCT for Offices is also available at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/epct/pdf/epct_office_whats_new.pdf

For further information on ePCT, including how to get started, go to:

<https://pct.wipo.int>

or contact the PCT eServices Help Desk at:

e-mail: epct@wipo.int

telephone: (+41–22) 338 9523

or via the “contact us” link which is available at the top of each page in ePCT.

PCT-SAFE Update

Release of new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software

A new version of the PCT-SAFE Client software (version 3.51.067.243, dated 1 April 2015) is now available and can be downloaded at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct-safe/en/download/download_client.html

Further details on this new version of PCT-SAFE are available in the “Release notes” and “What’s new” document on the above-mentioned web page.

PCT Information Update

BN Brunei Darussalam (competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authorities)

The Brunei Intellectual Property Office (BrulPO) has specified, with effect from 23 March 2015, the Australian Patent Office, in addition to the European Patent Office, as competent International Searching and Preliminary Examining Authority for international applications filed by nationals and residents of Brunei Darussalam with BrulPO, or with the International Bureau (IB), as receiving Office.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, Annex C (BN))

BW Botswana (criterion applied in respect of requests for restoration of the right of priority)

The Registrar of Companies, Trademarks, Patents and Industrial Designs has notified the IB that, in its capacity as designated Office, it applies the “due care criterion” in respect of requests for restoration of the right of priority.

(Updating of *PCT Applicant’s Guide*, National Chapter, Summary (BW), and the “Restoration of the right of priority” table)

BY Belarus (Internet address; means of telecommunication; fees)

The Internet address of the National Center of Intellectual Property (Belarus) has changed, as follows:

<http://www.belgopatent.by>

The Office has informed the IB of changes concerning the filing of documents by fax – the original of the document must now be furnished in all cases within 14 days of the transmission.

The amount of the transmittal fee payable to the Office as receiving Office has changed, and the Office has notified the IB of the amount of the fee for the priority document and of the fee payable for requesting restoration of the right of priority, as follows:

Transmittal fee:.....	USD	50
Fee for priority document:		
- for a priority document up to 35 pages:	BYR	365,000
- for an additional copy of the priority document, provided that the copies are prepared simultaneously:	BYR	185,000
- for each page in excess of 35:	BYR	6,000
Fee for requesting restoration of the right of priority:	USD	40

With regard to the payment of fees to it as receiving Office, the National Center of Intellectual Property has notified the IB that:

- for residents of Belarus, payment shall be effected in BYR in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of Belarus and applicable on the date of payment. Fees are reduced by 75% for filings by natural persons, and waived in respect of certain other persons (please refer to the Office for details);
- for non-residents of Belarus, payment shall be effected in USD in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of Belarus and applicable on the date of payment.

The Office has notified the amount of the following national fee, payable to it as designated Office:

For utility model:

Claim fee for each dependent claim in excess of 10:.....	USD	25
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With regard to the payment of national fees, the Office has notified the IB that:

- for residents of Belarus, payment shall be effected in BYR in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of Belarus and applicable on the date of payment. Fees are reduced by 75% for filings by natural persons, and waived in respect of certain other persons (please refer to the Office for details);

- for non-residents of Belarus, payment shall be effected in USD or the equivalent amount in EUR, CHF or RUR in accordance with the exchange rate established by the National Bank of Belarus and applicable on the date of payment by a resident of Belarus acting on their behalf or a patent attorney registered to practice before the Office.

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

IS Iceland (e-mail address)

The e-mail address of the Icelandic Patent Office has changed to: postur@els.is

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

JP Japan (special provisions concerning earlier national applications from which priority is claimed)

It is recalled that Japanese national law (Articles 41 and 42 of the Japan Patent Law and Articles 8 and 9 of the Japan Utility Model Law) provides that the filing of an international application which contains the designation of Japan, and claims the priority of an earlier national application having effect in Japan, shall have the result that the earlier national application will be considered withdrawn. The Japan Patent Office has notified the IB that, in the case of international applications filed on or after 1 April 2015, such withdrawal will take place after the expiration of 16 months from the filing date of the earlier application, instead of after the expiration of 15 months, which is the time limit still applicable for international applications filed before 1 April 2015.

If the applicant of an international application which claims the priority of an earlier national application wants to avoid this effect, the designation of Japan will have to be withdrawn:

- in the case of international applications filed on or after 1 April 2015: before the expiration of 16 months from the filing date of the earlier application; or
- in the case of international applications filed before 1 April 2015: before the expiration of 15 months from the filing date of the earlier application

in order to avoid automatic withdrawal of the earlier-filed national application.

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

NZ New Zealand (fees)

As from 1 July 2015, there will be a change in the equivalent amounts of the international filing fee and the fee per sheet over 30, payable in NZD to the Intellectual Property Office of New Zealand as receiving Office, as well as a change in the equivalent amounts in NZD of the applicable fee reductions listed in item 4 of the Schedule of Fees, as indicated in Fee Table I(a).

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

Search fee (Austrian Patent Office, Egyptian Patent Office, European Patent Office, Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil))

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

Egyptian Patent Office	EUR
European Patent Office	GBP, NZD
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	CHF, EUR, USD
National Institute of Industrial Property (Brazil).....	EUR

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

Austrian Patent Office	SGD
European Patent Office	SGD
Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation)	HUF

The above-mentioned changes are indicated in Fee Table I(b).

(Updating of *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex D (AT, BR, EG, EP, RU))

Supplementary search fee (Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation))

As from 1 June 2015, there will be a change in the amounts payable in CHF for a supplementary international search carried out by the Federal Service for Intellectual Property (Rospatent) (Russian Federation), as indicated in Fee Table I(c).

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

New/updated PCT Resources

Meeting documents

PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation

Documents which have been prepared for the upcoming twenty-eighth session of the PCT Committee for Technical Cooperation (CTC), which will be held in Geneva during the period from 26 to 29 May 2015, are available at:

http://www.wipo.int/meetings/en/details.jsp?meeting_id=36282

PCT Working Group

Documents which have been prepared for the upcoming eighth session of the PCT Working Group, which will be held in Geneva during the period from 26 to 29 May 2015, are available at:

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

PATENTSCOPE Search System

Translation tools

WIPO's machine translation tool "Translation Assistant for Patent Titles and Abstracts (TAPTA)", which was mentioned in *PCT Newsletter* No. 03/2015, has been extended to include translations of other parts of patent documents, and as a consequence, has been renamed "WIPO Translate".

WIPO Translate can be used to translate any patent documents, from and to 14 different language pairs, by pasting the patent text in the translation tool at:

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

Also, WIPO Translate has been integrated into PATENTSCOPE, and can be used to translate the result list for PATENTSCOPE searches, as well as to translate the description and claims from Chinese into English. In order to use this function, users must activate it in the "Options" menu, under the "Translate" tab at:

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

Note that other machine translation tools are also available for translation of the PATENTSCOPE results list. A new "machine translation" button will allow users to choose between Google Translate, Bing/Microsoft Translate and Baidu Translate. This button is also available in the "Description", "Claims" and "Fulltext" tabs to translate the description and claims into any languages supported by those translation tools. For further information see:

http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/news/pctdb/2015/news_0003.html

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 "WPTS – World Patent & Trademark Service". 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

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

Israel Patent Office Launches PCT Direct Pilot

On 1 April 2015, the Israel Patent Office (ILPO), in its capacity as receiving Office (RO) and International Searching Authority (ISA), launched a limited pilot of “PCT Direct”. This new service is similar to the one that was introduced at the European Patent Office in November 2014. Under the ILPO’s PCT Direct pilot, an applicant filing an international application with RO/IL, and claiming priority from an earlier application already searched by the ILPO, can react to any objections raised in the search opinion drawn up for the priority application.

Upon receipt of a PCT Direct letter, RO/IL will process the international application under PCT Direct only where the following requirements are met:

- the informal comments are filed together with the international application with the ILPO as RO;
- the ILPO was selected as the ISA;
- the international application claims priority of an earlier application searched by the ILPO; and
- the PCT Direct letter and any reply to the earlier search opinion are submitted as a single document in PDF format and the words “PCT Direct document” have been indicated under “other” in Box IX of the PCT request form (Form PCT/RO/101).

Examiners at ISA/IL will establish the international search report and written opinion on the basis of the reply to the earlier search opinion, and if the search and examination results of the Israeli application are used in the international phase by ISA/IL and the Authority benefits from the earlier search, 50% of the search fee will be refunded.

For further information, see the ILPO website at:

<http://index.justice.gov.il/En/Units/ILPO/Departments/PCT/News/Pages/PCTDirect.aspx>

or, in Hebrew:

http://index.justice.gov.il/Units/RashamHaptentim/legalinfo/Pages/Rasham_Hodaot.aspx

Practical Advice

(1) *Corrigendum* of the practical advice published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2015: Information on submitting informal comments to address issues raised in the written opinion of the International Searching Authority

Reference is made to the “Practical Advice” published in *PCT Newsletter* No. 01/2015 regarding informal comments on the written opinion of the International Searching Authority (ISA). Please

note that, with regard to the receipt by the International Bureau (IB) of informal comments after 30 months from the priority date (see second paragraph of the answer), it was stated that such informal comments would “simply be kept in the file of the IB, and that they would not be made available on PATENTSCOPE (as is generally the case with any other document submitted to the IB after that time limit)”.

Please note that, even though the international phase of an international application ends after 30 months, the informal comments would, nevertheless, be made available on PATENTSCOPE. However, they would be referred to as “Applicant Correspondence” rather than “Informal Comments on Written Opinion of the ISA”. Other documents or papers, for example, requests for recording of a change under PCT Rule 92*bis*, would also be made available on PATENTSCOPE after that time limit, even if no further action could be taken by the IB on the request itself; where applicable, there would be an indication that the document/paper had been received late.

(2) Indicating an address for correspondence where a person is not entitled to represent the applicant before the receiving Office

Q: I am going to file a PCT application on behalf of a corporate applicant which is based in the Netherlands (and which has NL residence and nationality). I am a patent attorney in that company's patent department, a subsidiary of that company which is based in the United States of America (US). Our intention is to file the application with the European Patent Office (EPO) as receiving Office, but I would like to know whether I would be able to act on behalf of the applicant before the EPO if I am based in the US.

A: If the international application is filed at the European Patent Office as receiving Office (RO/EP), provided that the applicant has a residence or principal place of business in one of the States party to the European Patent Convention (EPC), the EPO does not require that the applicant appoint an agent to act before it as a receiving Office.

However, if an agent is appointed, that agent must be:

- a professional representative or an association of representatives entered in the directory of professional representatives maintained by the EPO (see: <http://www.epo.org/applying/online-services/representatives.html>); or
- a legal practitioner qualified to practice in patent matters in one of the States party to the European Patent Convention and who has his place of business in that State.

If you do not fulfill either of the above conditions for agents before the EPO, the applicant could either appoint another agent who is entitled to represent the applicant before RO/EP, or you could, in accordance with PCT Rule 4.4(d), and provided that no eligible agent has been appointed, be included in the request form as an address for correspondence (by adding your name and address in Box No. IV of the request form and selecting the option “Address for correspondence”). Note that if you do indicate yourself as “agent” in the request form while not being entitled to represent the applicant before the RO, the RO would, in any case, delete *ex officio* the indication “agent” and indicate instead “address for correspondence” (see PCT Receiving Office Guidelines, paragraph 117).

The advantage of an address for correspondence is that it can be anywhere, and does not have to be linked with a particular country (it can even be in a country which is not bound by the PCT). The person named as part of an address for correspondence would be sent all correspondence regarding the international application in the international phase that would

normally be sent to the applicant or the agent, and would also be able to make payments in respect of the application.

However, please note that if you are indicated in the address for correspondence, you would not be entitled to act as agent for the applicant. Any submission to the RO or the International Authorities would have to be signed by the applicant (or the deemed common representative if there is more than one applicant). Please be aware that if you have to spend time obtaining the signature of the applicant, this could be a problem if a time limit for a particular action is due to expire soon.

As far as RO/EP is concerned, it is recalled that on 1 November 2014, the Office changed its practice by relaxing certain restrictions concerning the address for correspondence which may be given by applicants in an international application filed with it in cases where no agent is appointed. These changes included the removal of the restriction for an address for correspondence to be in a Contracting State of the EPC with the result that an address for correspondence may now be that of any person in any country. For further details about the revised practice at the EPO, please refer to the “Notice from the European Patent Office dated 4 September 2014 concerning the use of an address for correspondence in proceedings before the EPO by persons acting without a professional representative or agent” at:

<http://www.epo.org/law-practice/legal-texts/official-journal/2014/10/a99/2014-a99.pdf>

To find out about the requirements of other PCT receiving Offices regarding the appointment of agents in the international phase, please refer to the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, Annex C, and to find out about the requirements of designated (or elected) Offices regarding the appointment of agents in the national phase, please refer to the relevant national chapter summaries of the *PCT Applicant's Guide*, at:

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

PCT Seminar Calendar (http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/seminar/seminar.pdf) (situation on 16 April 2015)			
Dates and location	Language of seminar	Nature of seminar; WIPO speakers (and others where known)	Organizer and contact numbers
21 April 2015 Turin (IT)	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
22 April 2015 Saint Petersburg (RU)	English	Presentations on the PCT and on the Topical Issues of the International Agenda for Intellectual Property WIPO speaker: Mr. Roy	Federal Service for Intellectual Property (ROSPATENT) (Mr. Gleb Sharag, Institute of International Law and Business) Tel: (7-906) 269 82 79 E-mail: gleb-online92@yandex.ru
24-25 April 2015 Concord, NH (US)	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
5-6 May 2015 Chicago (US)	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
13 May 2015 Osaka (JP)	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
15 May 2015 Tokyo (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Osaka, above)
15-16 May 2015 Minneapolis, MN (US)	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
18 May 2015 Nagoya (JP)	Japanese	Workshop on the PCT system WIPO speakers: Mr. Tachibana and Mr. Hasebe	Japan Patent Attorneys Association (JPAA) (see Osaka, above)
20-21 May 2015 Munich (DE)	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
28 May 2015 Alexandria, VA (US)	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: http://www.patentresources.com
2-3 June 2015 Moscow (RU)	English and Russian	Presentations on the PCT and on Global IP databases within the framework of the StartUp Village 2015 WIPO speakers: Mr. Marlow and Ms. Amman	Skolkovo Foundation E-mail: startupvillage@sk.ru Internet: https://startupvillage.ru/main/en
4-5 June 2015 Stockholm (SE)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speakers: Mr. Reischle and Ms. Happe	Trona Patentrådgivning (Ms. Rut Herbjørnsen) Tel: (46-708) 808 342 E-mail: info@ipakademin.se Internet: www.ipakademin.se

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8 June 2015 Helsinki (FI)	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	Finnish Patent and Registration Office (Mr. Juha Rekola) E-mail: juha-rekola@prh.fi
9 June 2015 Brussels (BE) <i>(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: thierry.debled@ceipi.edu
10 June 2015 Dallas, TX (US)	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
4 August 2015 Minneapolis, MN (US)	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)
9 September 2015 New York, NY (US)	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)
5 October 2015 Zurich (CH)	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: hansjoerg@kley.ch
8–9 October 2015 Cary, NC (US)	English	PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Ms. Bidwell Other speaker: Mr. Neas (United States Patent and Trademark Office)	North Carolina Bar Association (Ms. Angela Allen) E-mail: aallen@ncbar.org
14–15 October 2015 Munich (DE)	German	Advanced PCT seminar WIPO speaker: Mr. Reischle Other speaker: Mr. Wolff (former staff member of the PCT Legal Division, WIPO, former member of the Boards of Appeal of the European Patent Office, now retired)	Forum Institut für Management GmbH Tel: (49-6221) 500 660 Fax: (49-6221) 500 666 E-mail: c.weber@forum-institut.de
26–27 October 2015 Ottawa/Gatineau (CA)	English	Canadian PCT Roundtable WIPO speakers: Mr. Sim Other speakers: Ms. Auria Lansac (European Patent Office) and others to be announced.	Intellectual Property Institute of Canada E-mail: admin@ipic.ca
30 October 2015 London (GB)	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: josephine.leak@management-forum.co.uk
4–5 November 2015 Munich (DE)	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

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10 November 2015 Los Angeles/ Glendale, CA (US) <i>(previously scheduled to take place in San Diego)</i>	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: http://www.patentresources.com
24 November 2015 Basel (CH)	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
2–3 December 2015 Paris (FR)	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
3–4 December 2015 London (GB)	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
8 December 2015 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
28 April 2015 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	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682
30 April 2015 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	https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/111297328659143682

PCT Events Without WIPO speakers

Dates and location	Language of event	Nature of seminar; Speakers	Organizer and contact numbers
9 June 2015 Dallas, TX (US)	English	PCT Boot Camp: Learn the Basics 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

PCT Fee Tables

(amounts on 1 April 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	HUF	Hungarian forint	MXN	Mexican peso	TTD	Trinidad and Tobago dollar
IPEA	International Preliminary Examining Authority	BZD	Belize dollar	IDR	Indonesian rupiah	MYR	Malaysian ringgit	UAH	Ukrainian hryvnia
ISA	International Searching Authority	CAD	Canadian dollar	ILS	New Israeli sheqel	NOK	Norwegian krone	USD	US dollar
RO	receiving Office	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	HRK	Croatian kuna	MWK	Malawian kwacha	TND	Tunisian dinar		

Table I(a) — Transmittal and international filing fees

(amounts on 1 April 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 and (b) ⁶ (CHF 100)	Item 4(c) ⁷ (CHF 200)	Item 4(d) ⁸ (CHF 300)	
AG	Information not yet available									CA
AL	ALL	9,000	CHF	1,330	15	–	–	–	–	EP
AM	AMD	32,000	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	EP RU
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
AP	USD	50	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	AT EP SE
		(or eq in local currency)				(from 1.7.15:–)				
AT	EUR	52	EUR	1,273	14	–	191	287	–	EP
AU	AUD	200	AUD	1,848	21	–	278	417	–	AU KR
AZ	AZN	30 ⁹	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	EP RU
BA	BAM	50	EUR	1,273	14	96	–	–	–	EP
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BE	EUR	120	EUR	1,273	14	96	–	–	–	EP
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BG	BGN	80	BGN eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	100	–	–	EP RU
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BH	BHD	70	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	AT EP US
BN	BND	150	BND eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	100	–	–	AU EP
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BR	BRL ¹⁰	online: 175 on paper: 260	BRL eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF	15	100	200	–	AT BR EP SE US
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BW	USD	32	USD	1,384	16	104	–	–	–	EP
						(from 1.7.15:–)				
BY	USD	50	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	–	EP RU

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

(amounts on 1 April 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
						Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
BZ	BZD	300	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	CA EP
CA	CAD	300	CAD	1,799	20	135 (from 1.7.15:–)	270	406	CA
CH	CHF	100	CHF	1,330	15	100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
CL	CLP eq USD ¹¹	130	CLP eq USD ¹¹	1,384	eq USD ¹¹ 16	eq USD ¹¹ 104 (from 1.7.15:–)	208	312	CL EP ES KR US
CN	CNY	500	CNY eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	CN
CO	COP	865,000 ¹²	COP eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT, BR, CL, EP, ES, RU
CR	USD	250	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	CL EP ES
CU	CUC	200	CUC	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT BR CL EP ES RU
CY	EUR	163	EUR	1,273	14	–	–	–	EP
CZ	CZK	1,500	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
DE	EUR	90	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP
DK	DKK	1,500	DKK	9,480	110	710 (from 1.7.15:–)	1,430	2,140	EP SE XN
DM	Information not yet available								
DO	USD	275	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP ES US
DZ	DZD	None	CHF	1,330	15	100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT EP
EA	RUB	1,600	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	208	312	EP RU
EC	USD ¹³	–	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	CL EP ES
EE	EUR	120	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
EG	USD	142	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	AT EG EP US
EP	EUR	130	EUR	1,273	14	96	191	287	EP
ES	EUR	74.99	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP ES
FI	EUR	135	EUR	1,273	14	–	191	287	EP FI SE
FR	EUR	60	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP
GB	GBP	75	GBP	948	11	–	142	214	EP
GD	Information not yet available								
GE	USD ¹⁴	100	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT EP IL RU US
GH	GHS ¹⁵	2,500 or 5,000	USD	1,384	16	–	–	–	AT AU CN EP SE
GR	EUR	115	EUR	1,273	14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
GT	GTQ eq USD	250	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT BR EP ES US
HN	USD	200	USD	1,384	16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP ES
HR	HRK	200	HRK eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	eq CHF 200	eq CHF 300	EP
HU	HUF	11,800	HUF	392,000	HUF 4,400	HUF 29,500 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP RU
IB	CHF ¹⁶ or EUR ¹⁶ or USD ¹⁶	100 96 104	CHF or EUR or USD	1,330 1,273 1,384	15 14 16	100 96 104 (from 1.7.15:–)	200 191 208	300 287 312	See footnote 17
ID	IDR	1,000,000	IDR eq CHF	1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AU EP JP KR RU
IE	EUR	76	EUR	1,273	14	–	–	–	EP

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

(amounts on 1 April 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
				Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
IL	ILS 554	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	208	312	EP IL US
IN	INR 17,600 (filing by natural person: 3,250; filing by small entity: 8,800)	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	208	312	AT AU CN EP IN SE US
IR	IRR ¹³ —	IRR eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	CN EP IN RU
IS	ISK 15,000	ISK 190,800	2,200	—	28,700	43,000	EP SE XN
IT	EUR 30.99	EUR 1,273	14	—	—	—	EP
JP	JPY 10,000 ¹⁸	JPY 164,300	1,900	12,400 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	37,100	EP JP
KE	USD 250 (or KES equiv) plus cost of mailing	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
KG	KGS eq USD 100	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP RU
KN	Information not yet available						EP
KP	KPW eq CHF 50	KPW eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	AT CN RU
KR	KRW 45,000	CHF 1,330	15	100 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	300	AT AU JP ¹⁹ KR
KZ	KZT 10,264.80 ²⁰	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP RU
LR	USD 45	USD 1,384	16	—	—	—	AT AU CN EP SE
LS	LSL ¹³ —	LSL eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP
LT	EUR 92	EUR 1,273	14	96 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	191	287	EP RU
LU	EUR 19	EUR 1,273	14	—	—	—	EP
LV	EUR 68.87	EUR 1,273	14	96 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	191	287	EP RU
LY	LYD ¹³ —	CHF 1,330	15	100 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	AT EP
MA	MAD 600 ²¹	CHF 1,330	15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
MC	EUR 54 ²²	EUR 1,273	14	—	—	—	EP
MD	EUR 100	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP RU
MK	MKD 2,700	MKD eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP
MN	None	CHF 1,330	15	100 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP KR RU
MT	EUR 55	EUR 1,273	14	96 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP
MW	MWK 6,000	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP
MX	USD 323.70 ²³	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	CL EP ES SE US
MY	MYR 500 (e-filing) ²⁴ 550 (paper filing) ²⁴	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 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	EP ES
NL	EUR 50	EUR 1,273	14	—	191	287	EP
NO	NOK 800	NOK 10,990	120	—	1,650	2,480	EP SE XN
NZ	NZD 207	NZD 1,945 <i>(from 1.7.15: 1,797)</i>	22 (20)	146 (—)	293 (270)	439 (405)	AU EP KR US
OA	XAF ¹³ —	XAF eq CHF 1,330	eq CHF 15	—	—	—	AT EP RU SE
PA	USD 200	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	BR CL EP ES US
PE	PEN 233.35	PEN eq USD 1,384	eq USD 16	eq USD 104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	AT BR CL EP ES KR US
PG	PGK 250	USD 1,384	16	104 <i>(from 1.7.15:—)</i>	—	—	AU

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

(amounts on 1 April 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
							Items 4(a) ⁵ and (b) ⁶	Item 4(c) ⁷	Item 4(d) ⁸	
PH	PHP	3,500	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	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	1,273		14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP
QA	Information not yet available									
RO	RON	360	EUR	1,273		14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP RU
RS	RSD	7,140 ²⁵	RSD	eq CHF 1,330		eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
RU	RUB	850	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP RU
RW	Information not yet available									
SA	USD	100	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	208	312	CA EG EP KR RU
SC	USD ¹³	–	USD	1,384		16	–	–	–	EP
SD	SDG	50	SDG	eq CHF 1,330		eq CHF 15	–	–	–	EP
SE	SEK	1,200	SEK	12,070		140	910 (from 1.7.15:–)	1,820	2,720	EP SE XN
SG	SGD	150	SGD	1,953		22	147 (from 1.6.14:–)	294 (294)	441 (441)	AT AU EP JP KR
SI	EUR	91	EUR	1,273		14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
SK	EUR	66 ²⁶	EUR	1,273		14	96 (from 1.7.15:–)	191	287	EP
SM	EUR	70	EUR	1,273		14	–	–	–	EP
SV	USD	200	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	CL EP ES
SY	USD ¹³	–	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT EP RU
TH	THB	3,000	THB	eq CHF 1,330		eq CHF 15	eq CHF 100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AU CN EP JP KR US
TJ	TJS ¹³	–	USD	1,384		16	–	–	–	EP RU
TM	USD ¹³	–	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP RU
TN	TND ¹³	–	CHF	1,330		15	–	–	–	EP
TR	None		CHF	1,330		15	100 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP
TT	TTD	750	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT EP SE US
UA	UAH or eq EUR or USD ²⁷	1,300	USD (or eq UAH or EUR)	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	EP RU
US	USD	240 ²⁸ small entity ²⁹ : 120 ²⁸ micro entity ²⁹ : 60 ²⁸	USD	1,384		16	104	208	–	AU EP IL KR RU US
UZ	USD ¹³	–	USD	1,384		16	104 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	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	16,720		190	1,260 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	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 (from 1.7.15:–)	–	–	AT AU CN EP RU

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

ISA	Search fee ¹							
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,864 <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.7.15:</i>	CHF 1,947 KRW 1,882,000 SGD 2,790)	KRW* 2,316,000 ZAR 19,930)	SGD** 3,000	USD 2,112	ZAR* 24,470		
AU	AUD 2,200 USD 1,789 <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i>	CHF 1,583 ZAR* 21,660 KRW 1,882,000	EUR 1,525 ZAR 19,930)	KRW* 2,053,000	NZD 2,311	SGD 2,460		
BR ³¹	Online: <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.6.15:</i>	BRL 1,685 USD 540 EUR 484)	CHF 560	EUR** 550	USD* 632			
	On paper: <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.6.15:</i>	BRL 2,525 USD 809 EUR 726)	CHF 840	EUR** 824	USD** 948			
CA	CAD 1,600	CHF 1,183	EUR 1,137	USD 1,284				
CL	USD 2,000	CHF 1,922	EUR 1,765					
	In case of filing by an natural person or a legal entity ² :		USD 400	CHF 384	EUR 353			
	In case of filing by a university ³² :		USD 300	CHF 288	EUR 265			
CN	CNY 2,100	CHF 310	EUR 297	USD 342				
EG ³³	EGP 4,000 <i>*(from 1.6.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.5.15:</i>	CHF 483 EUR 480 USD 525)	EUR* 443	USD** 559				
EP ³⁴	EUR 1,875 JPY 251,600 USD 2,125 <i>*(from 1.6.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.7.15:</i>	CHF 1,958 NOK 17,000 ZAR 24,620 GBP 1,365 SGD 2,800)	DKK 13,960 NZD* 3,026 NZD 2,761)	GBP* 1,474 SEK 17,040	HUF 577,000 SGD** 3,020	ISK 287,000		
ES ³⁴	EUR 1,875	CHF 1,958	USD 2,125					
FI	EUR 1,875	CHF 1,958	USD 2,125					
IL	ILS 3,554	CHF 875	EUR 809	USD 909				
IN	INR 10,000 In case of filing by an individual:	CHF 157	EUR 142 INR 2,500	USD 163 CHF 39	EUR 36	USD 41		
JP ¹⁸	JPY 70,000	CHF 567	EUR 522	KRW 638,000	SGD 766	USD 577		
KR	For international applications in Korean: KRW 450,000 USD 422 <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i>	AUD* 482 AUD 526)	CHF 378	EUR 362	NZD 539	SGD 540		
	For international applications in English: KRW 1,300,000 USD 1,219 <i>*(from 1.5.15:</i>	AUD* 1,393 AUD 1,519)	CHF 1,093	EUR 1,046	NZD 1,558	SGD 1,560		
RU	For international applications in Russian: RUB 6,750 <i>*(from 1.6.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.7.15:</i>	CHF* 95 CHF 109 HUF 31,800)	EUR* 91 EUR 102	HUF** 27,900 USD 108)	USD* 103			
	For international applications in English: RUB 28,000 <i>*(from 1.6.15:</i> <i>***(from 1.7.15:</i>	CHF* 393 CHF 453 HUF 132,100)	EUR* 376 EUR 425	HUF** 115,800 USD 450)	USD* 426			
SE	SEK 17,040 USD 2,125	CHF 1,958	DKK 13,960	EUR 1,875	ISK 287,000	NOK 17,000		
US	USD 2,080 For small entity ²⁹ : For micro entity ²⁹ :	CHF 1,998 USD 1,040 USD 520	EUR 1,835 CHF 999 CHF 500	NZD 2,660 EUR 918 EUR 459	ZAR 23,410 NZD 1,330 NZD 660	ZAR 11,700 ZAR 5,850		
XN	DKK 13,960 USD 2,125	CHF 1,958	EUR 1,875	ISK 287,000	NOK 17,000	SEK 17,040		

Table I(c) — Supplementary search fees

(amounts on 1 April 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

ISA	Supplementary search fee	Supplementary search handling fee ^{2, 35}
AT	– for a search of the German-language documentation: CHF 888	CHF 200
	– for a search of the European and North American documentation: CHF 1,243	
	– for a search of the PCT minimum documentation: CHF 1,776	
EP	CHF 1,958	CHF 200
FI	CHF 1,958	CHF 200
RU	CHF 166 (265) ³⁶ (from 1.6.15: 191 (305) ³⁶)	CHF 200
SE	CHF 1,958	CHF 200
XN	– for a full search: CHF 1,958	CHF 200
	– for searches only of documentation in Danish, Icelandic, Norwegian and Swedish: CHF 560	

Table II — Preliminary examination fees

(amounts on 1 April 2015, unless otherwise indicated)

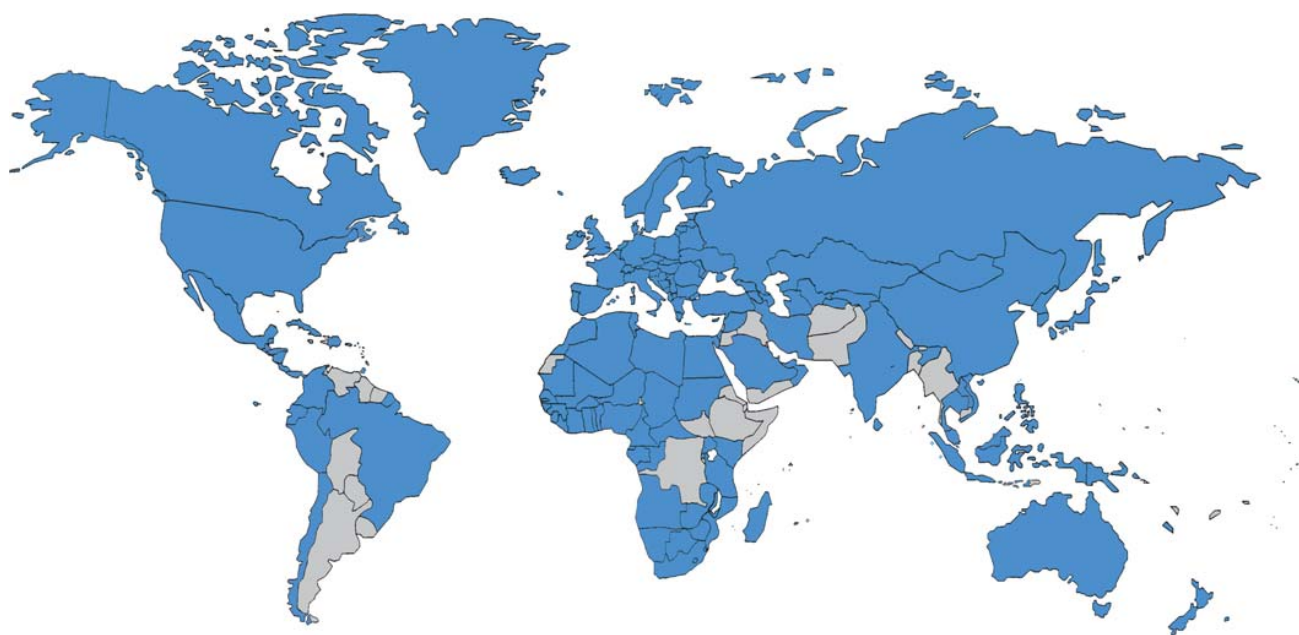
IPEA	Preliminary examination fee ³⁷	Handling fee ^{2, 37} (CHF 200)
AT ³⁰	EUR 1,749	EUR 191
AU	AUD 590 820 ³⁸	AUD 278
BR ³¹	Online: BRL 630	BRL eq CHF 200
	On paper: BRL 945	
CA	CAD 800	CAD 270
CL	USD 1,500	USD 208
	in case of filing by a natural person or a legal entity ² : USD 400	
	in case of filing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

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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
- 3 Where the international application contains a sequence listing as a separate part of the description, this should preferably be furnished in accordance with Annex C, paragraph 40, of the Administrative Instructions under the PCT, that is, in compliance with WIPO Standard ST.25 text format; no additional fees are due for sequence listings filed in this format. Where, however, such sequence listings are filed in the form of an image file (e.g. PDF), fees are due for each page (see *PCT Newsletter* No. 06/2009, page 2 at: http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/newslett/2009/newslett_09.pdf).
- 4 For the search fee payable to the receiving Office, consult the entry in Table I(b) for the competent International Searching Authority.
- 5 If the international application is filed on paper together with a copy in electronic form, in character coded format, of the request and the abstract. The reduction under Item 4(a) of the Schedule of fees will no longer be available in respect of international applications filed on or after 1 July 2015.
- 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
- 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
- 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).
- 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
- 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
- 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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	IE Ireland (EP) ²		SE Sweden (EP)	
	IL Israel		SG Singapore	

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

Where a State can be designated for a regional patent, the two-letter code for the regional patent concerned is indicated in parentheses (AP = ARIPO patent, EA = Eurasian patent, EP = European patent, OA = OAPI patent).

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