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PCT Office Feedback Survey 2014 - 2015

This Circular is addressed to your Office in its capacity as a receiving Office, International Searching Authority, International Preliminary Examining Authority and/or, designated or elected Office under the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT). It invites your Office to participate in the "PCT Office Feedback Survey 2014 - 2015" regarding services provided to your Office by the International Bureau of the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

The "PCT Office Feedback Survey 2014 - 2015" consists of an on-line questionnaire regarding a variety of PCT services provided by the International Bureau. Please find attached a paper copy of the questionnaire which will enable you to familiarize yourself with the procedure and the questions before starting to respond to the on-line version of the questionnaire.

The aim of the questionnaire is to assess your level of satisfaction with the PCT services provided by the International Bureau in 2014 and 2015. The responses will be used to identify PCT services within the International Bureau in need of improvement as well as to develop performance indicators for the International Bureau's PCT Program Performance Report to be submitted to WIPO's Program and Budget Committee in 2016. It is the International Bureau's intention to repeat the survey in two year's time so as to monitor progress and identify further improvement priorities.

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You are kindly invited to complete the on-line questionnaire, instructions for which are located on the first page of the questionnaire, using the following internet address:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/surveys/office-feedback-2014-2015

Should it not be possible for your Office to complete the survey on-line, please mark your responses on the attached paper copy of the questionnaire and return it by e-mail, or by fax to the address given below.

It would be appreciated if the questionnaire could be completed and submitted no later than March 11, 2016.

You can access for reference the results of the PCT Office Feedback Survey 2012 which was conducted in 2013, at:

http://www.wipo.int/pct/en/activity/pct_office_survey_2012.pdf

Should you have any questions or difficulties in completing the survey questionnaire, please contact Mr. Kenichiro Natsume, Director, PCT International Cooperation Division, e-mail: pcticd@wipo.int; fax: (+41 22) 338 7160.

Yours sincerely,

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John Sandage Deputy Director General

Enclosure:

Questionnaire

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ABOUT THE QUESTIONS: The International Bureau of WIPO is seeking feedback from offices to help improve cooperation and service delivery regarding:

- PCT international cooperative activities
- PCT IT tools
- Organization of the meetings of PCT administrative bodies
- PCT international applications processing service
- PCT document availability
- PCT translation service.

YOURSELF: This on-line survey is addressed to you based on contact information available at the International Bureau. If you are not the right person to respond to the questionnaire, please forward it to an appropriate colleague within your office and, if applicable, provide us with the updated contact information.

HOW TO COMPLETE: This questionnaire consists of different categories (training, IT, processing, etc.). The questionnaire may be completed by a single person capable of providing answers in all the categories. Otherwise, it may be completed in either of the following ways:

- A single person collects the responses from the relevant sections/divisions in your office and completes the questionnaire.

- Each section/division enters their response into the relevant part of the questionnaire, saves it and sends a hyperlink by e-mail to the next section/division, until the questionnaire is completed.

SAVE: If you wish to save your answers and resume your work later, please click on "Save". Enter your e-mail address in order to receive an e-mail containing a hyperlink that will allow you to return to the questionnaire and continue from where you left it. If you wish to forward the questionnaire to a colleague to fill in the next part, enter this colleague's e-mail address instead of your own.

SUBMIT (available on the last page of the questionnaire): Please note that after having submitted your answers to the questionnaire, it will no longer be possible to access or change them. On the submit page all your responses are displayed and you may print this page for your records.

LANGUAGE: On this page you can select your preferred language.

FURTHER INFORMATION: Should you need further information or clarification, please contact us via e-mail: pcticd@wipo.int, indicating "2014-2015 PCT Office Feedback" in the subject field.

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Contact information

Contact information is requested for the purposes of follow-up with your office, if necessary.

Please indicate your contact information

First Name	
Last Name	
Title	
E-Mail Address	
Office Code	Please select your Office

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PCT Cooperative Activities
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1 Please rate your satisfaction with PCT cooperation activities such as training and seminars, legal assistance and technical (IT) cooperation:

Overall:

Totally satisfied Highly satisfied Satisfied Partially satisfied Dissatisfied Not applicable

Please rate your satisfaction with PCT training and seminars organized by, or co-organized by, the International Bureau:

Totally satisfied Highly satisfied Satisfied Partially satisfied Dissatisfied Not applicable

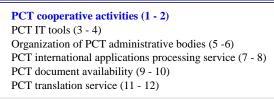
Please rate your satisfaction with PCT legal assistance provided by the International Bureau:

Totally satisfied Highly satisfied Satisfied Partially satisfied Dissatisfied Not applicable

Please rate your satisfaction with PCT technical (IT) cooperation with the International Bureau:

Totally satisfied Highly satisfied Satisfied Partially satisfied Dissatisfied Not applicable

² Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding PCT training and seminars, legal assistance and technical (IT) cooperation:



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PCT Cooperative Activities

^{2a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction regarding PCT training and seminars, legal assistance and technical (IT) cooperation:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8) PCT document availability (9 - 10) PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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3 Please rate your satisfaction with the PCT	Coperational processing IT tools:	
Overall:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
ePCT Applicant portal ¹ :	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
ePCT Office portal ¹ :	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
PCT-SAFE:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
eSEARCHCOPY:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
PCT-EDI:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
PADOS:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
PATENTSCOPE web site ² :	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable
PATENTSCOPE web services ³ :	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied Satisfied 	Not applicable

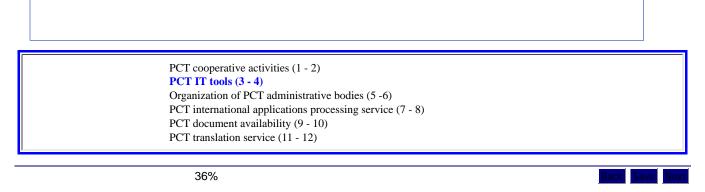
¹ePCT is an evolving WIPO service that provides secure electronic access to the files of international applications filed under the PCT as maintained by the International Bureau. Online requests for the processing of certain actions are also possible. To this point a portal is available for PCT applicants and a production pilot portal has been deployed for Offices (http://pct.wipo.int/ePCT).

²PATENTSCOPE Web site is a portal site to provide search service for free

(http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/data/products.html)

³PATENTSCOPE Web service is an API facility for organizations to write corresponding software to access the PATENTSCOPE database (http://www.wipo.int/patentscope/en/data/products.html)

⁴ Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding PCT operational processing IT tools:



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PCT IT tools

^{4a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction with PCT operational processing IT tools:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8) PCT document availability (9 - 10) PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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Organization of PCT administrative bodies

5 Please rate your satisfaction with the organization (such as logistics and preparatory work) of the meetings of **PCT administrative bodies:**

Overall:	Totally satisfied	 Highly satisfied 	Satisfied	Partially satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
PCT Assembly:	 Totally satisfied 	 Highly satisfied 	Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
PCT Working Group:	 Totally satisfied 	 Highly satisfied 	Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
PCT Meeting of International Authorities:	Totally satisfied	 Highly satisfied 	Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable

⁶ Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding the organization of PCT administrative bodies:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2)	
PCT IT tools (3 - 4)	
Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6)	
PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8)	
PCT document availability (9 - 10)	
PCT translation service (11 - 12)	
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Organization of PCT administrative bodies

^{6a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction with the organization of PCT administrative bodies:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) **Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 - 6)** PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8) PCT document availability (9 - 10) PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT international applications processing service

7 Please rate your satisfaction regarding the service provided by the PCT processing team at the International Bureau handling international applications:

Overall:	 Totally Hi satisfied satisfied 	ghly tisfied • Satisfied	Partially satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
Facilities for contacting the processing team:	● Totally ● Hi satisfied sa	ghly tisfied Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	 Not applicable
Availability of staff:	 Totally Hi satisfied sa 	ghly tisfied Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
Timeliness of answering questions:	 Totally Hi satisfied satisfied 	ghly tisfied Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
Quality of follow up:	 Totally Hi satisfied satisfied 	ghly tisfied Satisfied	 Partially satisfied 	Dissatisfied	Not applicable
Experience/expertise of staff:	 Totally Hi satisfied 	ghly tisfied Satisfied	Partially satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not applicable

⁸ Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding the PCT processing team service:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) **PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8)** PCT document availability (9 - 10) PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT international applications processing service

^{8a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction regarding the PCT processing team service:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) **PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8)** PCT document availability (9 - 10) PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT document availability

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9 Please rate your satisfaction regarding the International Bureau's service that makes documents (such as PCT publications, priority documents, or PCT forms) available for PCT international applications:

Overall:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not applicable
Timeliness of document availability:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not satisfied applicable
Accuracy of documents:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not applicable
Timeliness of answering questions:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not applicable
Ease of document access via PATENTSCOPE:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not satisfied applicable
Rule 87 / Article 20 DVD:	 Totally Highly Satisfied Satisfied 	isfied Partially Dissatisfied Not applicable

¹⁰ Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding PCT document availability:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8) **PCT document availability (9 - 10)** PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT document availability

^{10a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction regarding PCT document availability from the International Bureau for international applications:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2) PCT IT tools (3 - 4) Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6) PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8) **PCT document availability (9 - 10)** PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT translation service 11 Please rate your satisfaction concerning translations provided, under the Regulations, by the International Bureau, related to PCT international applications (titles, abstracts, international search reports, written opinions and international preliminary examination reports): Totally Highly Partially Not Satisfied **Overall:** Dissatisfied satisfied satisfied satisfied applicable Totally Highly Partially Not Satisfied Dissatisfied **Quality of translations:** satisfied satisfied satisfied applicable

Timeliness of translation availability:	Totally satisfied	Highly satisfied	Satisfied	Partially satisfied	Dissatisfied	Not applicable

¹² Please provide your thoughts and suggestions regarding the PCT translation service:

PCT cooperative activities (1 - 2)
PCT IT tools (3 - 4)
Organization of PCT administrative bodies (5 -6)
PCT international applications processing service (7 - 8)
PCT document availability (9 - 10)
PCT translation service (11 - 12)

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PCT translation service

^{12a} Please specify the cause of dissatisfaction regarding the PCT translation service:

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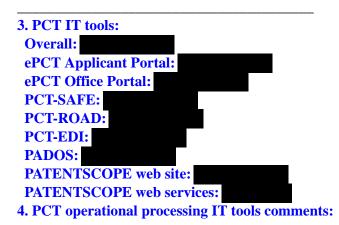
Please review your responses below and scroll down to the box at the end where you may, if you wish, add any additional comments. If you need a copy of your responses for your records, print this page using your browser's print button. Then, when you are ready, press "SUBMIT" to send your responses to the International Bureau. Please note that once you have done so, you will no longer be able to access your responses.

Response Summary / Additional comments



PCT cooperative activities:
 Overall PCT cooperative activities satisfaction:
 PCT training and seminar satisfaction:
 PCT legal assistance satisfaction:
 PCT technical (IT) cooperation satisfaction:
 Cooperative activities comments:

2a. Cooperation activities cause for dissatisfaction:



4a. PCT operational processing IT tools cause for dissatisfaction:

5. PCT administrative bodies satisfaction: Overall:

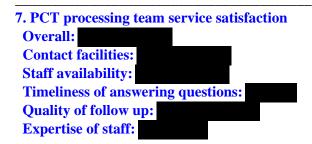
Assembly:

Working Group:

Meeting of International Authorities:

6. PCT administrative bodies comments:

6a. PCT administrative bodies cause for dissatisfaction:



8. PCT processing team comments:

8a. PCT processing team service cause for dissatisfaction:

9. PCT document service satisfaction: Overall: Timeliness of document availability: Accuracy of documents: Timeliness of answering questions: Ease of access via PATENTSCOPE: PCT Rule 87 and Article 20 DVDs: 10. PCT document service comments:

10a. PCT document service cause for dissatisfaction:

11. PCT translation service satisfaction: Overall: Quality of translations:

Timeliness of translations:

12. PCT translation service comments:

12a. PCT translation service cause for dissatisfaction:

13 Please share any additional comments, information or requests:

THANK YOU

Your feedback is important to the International Bureau of WIPO.

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